



Curtis Eugene Prescott

June 13, 1932 - June 22, 2018

Curtis Eugene Prescott was born June 13, 1932, in Dill City, OK, to Elzia Curtis and Maggie Mae (Montgomery) Prescott. He was the oldest of four children who grew up in Oklahoma, with his parents being “tenant farmers” who picked cotton through the Dust Bowl. It was hard work for a young man, but this instilled strong work ethics that would serve him his entire life. Curtis attended Foss School and graduated Class of 1950. He attended Southwestern State College in Weatherford before being drafted into the U.S. Army during his junior year. He served as a combat engineer and after his Army duties, he continued to serve in the Army National Guard for an additional 18 years as a training instructor. Though Curtis was very humble about his military service, we are forever grateful for his participation. Through his work as an instructor, he got to meet Dallas Cowboys legend, Jethro Pugh, who taught him how to throw grenades!

Curtis had two sons from his previous marriage, Glenn and Kerry, before marrying Patsy Moore in Sayre, OK. Curtis took in her two children, Terry and Kymberly, and raised them along with their son together, James. They settled in Royse City in the early 80’s and have remained part of this small town since then. Curtis led by example with his children. He taught them to work hard, be on time, and take pride in the work you do, no matter the job. He was a handy guy and could build anything. He even built a workshop out back to do his woodworking and other projects.

From 1977, until his retirement in 1996, Curtis was employed with Ingersoll Rand, providing blast drilling and other services in the mining industry. In the beginning he supervised a crew that manufactured the drills, but later went into the field as a service advisor, and instructor to their vendors. He was able to travel the world with the company and help install and train on various heavy equipment and drills. His travels included Russia, China, Australia, Chile and India. Occasionally Patsy would fly to meet him in India or another country, as it was easier for her to come to him instead of him flying home for a short visit. They had the privilege of meeting Mother Teresa on one of those visits. They loved seeing the sites together.

Curtis truly enjoyed his family. His nieces and nephews referred to him as “Uncle Curtis,”

as did other close friends. Curtis also liked to play golf. He had been golfing since his 20's, back when the clubs were made of real wood! He loved the smell of fresh cut grass, the sun rising over the course, and hot rodding in the golf carts! He became part of the Stone River Golf Club as a marshal as well as a player and his presence will be missed by many.

On Friday, June 22, 2018, Curtis Prescott was called Home. He was greeted at the Pearly Gates by his parents: E.C. and Maggie Prescott; beloved wife: Patsy; son: Terry Simmons; brother: Kenneth Prescott; and sister: Nelda Sullivan. His life and legacy will continue to be honored and celebrated by his children: Glenn Prescott and wife Janet of Eastvale, CA, Kerry Matherly and wife Judy of Elk City, OK, Kymberly Betz of Dallas, TX, and James Prescott and wife Ashley of Royse City, TX; sister: Verna Schones of Oklahoma City, OK; brother-in-law: Jerry Sullivan of Oklahoma City, OK; grandchildren: Aaron Prescott and his wife Autumn, Megan Prescott, Lillian Betz, Levi Matherly and his wife Michelle and Emily Coronado; five great grandchildren; his cats: Holiday and Princess; and the dog: Cookie; along with many relatives and close friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held 1:00pm Saturday, July 21, 2018, at Rest Haven Funeral Home – Royse City Location. Memorials can be made in Curtis' honor to St. Joseph's Indian School, 1301 N. Main St., Chamberlain, SD 57325, www.stjo.org or your local SPCA.

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Rest Haven Funeral Homes and Memorial Park - July 17, 2018 at 05:35 PM



“ Janice And Gene Peoples lit a candle in memory of Curtis Eugene Prescott



Janice and Gene Peoples - July 07, 2018 at 08:57 AM



“ Mr. Prescott was a dear client and friend of ours, and we will miss his visits to our office and running into him around town. Our prayers are with his loved ones.

Carol Warren and April Warren

Carol Warren - June 26, 2018 at 03:28 PM