



## Bob G. Stinchcomb

September 13, 1930 - March 9, 2024

Bobby (Bob) Gene Stinchcomb, 93, of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, passed away on March 9, 2024. He was born on September 13, 1930, in Yukon, Oklahoma. Bob was one of seven kids who were raised on a farm in northeast Oklahoma near the Oklahoma/Arkansas border. Bob learned valuable lessons of hard work while living on the farm. He was a hard worker and early riser his entire life. Bob attended Carnes School, a mile from their farm on the Moseley Prairie, then attended Colcord School in Colcord, OK where he graduated in 1948. He pursued his higher education with a focus on electrical engineering at Northeastern State University (NSU) in Tahlequah, OK, the University of Oklahoma, the University of Denver, and the University of Tulsa. Bob's professional career in electrical engineering included employment at Douglas Aircraft, North American, and Gemco in Tulsa and Martin Marietta in Denver. He worked on the Apollo space program as well as flight simulation systems. In the 1970s, he became an entrepreneur and owned Cash Plumbing in Broken Arrow, Ok and then worked at Heatwave Supply in Tulsa where he retired in 1995. Bob proudly served in the United States Air Force from 1950 to 1954 during the time of the Korean War. Shortly after his honorable discharge from the armed forces Bob met the love of his life, Alice Joan Lay, while they both attended NSU. They married in 1955 and were married for 68½ years. Shortly after marriage they moved to Norman, OK where Bob attended the University of Oklahoma. He had a job picking up stadium seat cushions after OU football games. He liked to tell the story of being in

attendance the day that Notre Dame broke OU's 47-game winning streak. He was a lifelong OU sports fan and particularly enjoyed watching OU softball in his later years. Their first child, Regina Kay, was born in Norman in 1956. Their married life then took them back to Tulsa where their second child, Bobby Lee, was born in 1958. They then headed to Littleton, CO about 1960 where the last two of their children - Keri Lynne and Sheri Ann-- were born in 1963 and 1964, respectively. Bob and his family settled back in Tulsa in 1964. After raising their kids in Tulsa and retiring, Bob and Joan moved to Fort Gibson, Oklahoma in 1999. When his children were young, Bob coached many sports teams and attended sporting and extracurricular activities in support of his kids. In his free time, Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, spending time with his kids and grandkids, and fixing anything and everything around the house. He found joy in these simple pleasures. Bob had a closely knit and large immediate and extended family and always loved the times he could visit with any of his family members. Upon retirement, Bob and Joan did some traveling which often included visiting their kids and grandkids living in other states. They were also active in church mission work and Bob volunteered as a board member at the Talbot Library and Museum in Colcord, OK for many years. Bob is survived by his loving wife, Alice Joan (Lay) Stinchcomb; his children Regina Kay Cruze (Wayne), Bobby Lee Stinchcomb (Niketa), Keri Lynne Parker, and Sheri Ann Sharp (George); 10 grandchildren: Jared (Karen) Williams, Zack (Audrey) Williams, Josh Williams, Ryan (Josie) Stinchcomb, Krystal (Stephen) Wiser, Kyle (Brittanie) Stinchcomb, Nathan (Jodie) Parker, Mikayla (Kan) Prawalwichit, Kate Sharp and Keri Sharp; 11 great-grandchildren: Sam, Nathan and Isaac Williams, Wyatt and Hunter Williams, Sarah and Logan Wiser, Ben and Abigail Stinchcomb, and Noah and Jett Parker; sister Mary Ruth (Stinchcomb) McCoy; sisters-in-law Ulele (Rouse) Stinchcomb, Hilda Stinchcomb, Linda (Perry) Stinchcomb, and Walsie (Lay) Fitzgerald; and brother-in-law CH (Patti) Lay. He is also survived by numerous other nephews and nieces. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Osie Mack and Mille Ruth (Garrett) Stinchcomb; granddaughter Jerri Lynn Williams;

brother/sister-in-law Glenn and Ruby (Campbell) Stinchcomb; brothers Ray and Bud Stinchcomb; sisters Zona (Stinchcomb) Brenner and Joyce Ann Stinchcomb; In-laws Carmon H. and Ruby (Eaton) Lay; brother/sister-in-law Andrew and Edith (Lay) Jolliff; sister-in-law Donna (Lay) Mitchell; and brothers-in-law Jack McCoy and Bobby Fitzgerald.

The funeral service for Bobby Gene Stinchcomb will be held at Fellowship Bible Church in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma on Friday March 15, 2024 at 10:30AM with Pastor Steve Dennis officiating. Bobby Stinchcomb, Jared Williams, Ryan Stinchcomb, Zachary Williams, Kyle Stinchcomb and Nathan Parker serving as casket bearers. Immediately following the service, Bob will be laid to rest, with military honors, at Fort Gibson National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma at 12:30PM. His legacy of service, toughness, love for his large family, and great work ethic will forever be remembered by those who knew and loved him. Memorial donations may be sent to the Talbot Library and Museum, PO Box 349, Colcord, OK 74338 or [www.talbotlibrary.org](http://www.talbotlibrary.org).

The family of Bob Stinchcomb has entrusted his care, service and burial to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Fort Gibson, 918-478-2555. Online condolences may be left for the Stinchcomb family at [www.clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com](http://www.clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

# Previous Events

## Visitation with Family to Greet Friends

MAR 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home (Fort Gibson)  
1224 E Poplar St  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2555

## Celebration of Life

MAR 15. 10:30 AM (CT)

Fellowship Bible Church  
1411 E Poplar  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

# Tribute Wall

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“ My dad was quiet, smart, funny, and not afraid of too many things-- especially animals. On one of his visits to California to our house, we discovered a family of possums living behind the girls' playhouse. Dad went to check it out. Next thing we know he's got a baby possum carrying it across the yard so the girls could see it! Another nature encounter involved a snake. My girls went out to mom and dad's pool to swim. We soon heard all kinds of screaming. There lay a big black snake by the pool. We all rushed over and dad, without hesitation, just walked up and stomped on the snake's head and kept his shoe/foot down on it. I asked if the snake had a triangular head (like a venomous snake). His reply was, " I don't know, but he does now!" Ha!

The world was better with a man like dad in it. He was so very tough these last four years when faced with two broken hips and other issues. He just kept walking and going. We will miss you so very much! I'm thankful God blessed us with you, dad.

--Sheri

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**Sheri (Stinchcomb) Sharp** - March 13, 2024 at 10:54 PM

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“ I met Bob shortly after opening fort Gibson barber shop 11 years ago. He had been coming to me ever since. He was a great man, customer and friend just a really good guy. Our birthdays were in common as they were all in September, that's something we always talked about and him doing so great after breaking his hips and recovering. He was always in such a good mood. We will miss him dearly ❤️ Derek and Brenda Ft. Gibson Barbershop Barbershop

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**Brenda Gawf** - March 13, 2024 at 03:03 PM

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*You all were so generous and nice to dad. He always enjoyed going down to get a haircut. Thank you for being his friend and for the kind words. He thought the world of you two.*

**Sheri (Stinchcomb) Sharp** - March 13, 2024 at 09:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bob G. Stinchcomb.*



March 12, 2024 at 08:08 PM

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“ *Sis and Dayna purchased the Cheeseboard Gourmet Gift for the family of Bob G. Stinchcomb.*



**Sis and Dayna** - March 12, 2024 at 06:48 PM

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“ *From Sis, Dayna, Dan, Robin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bob G. Stinchcomb.*



**From Sis, Dayna, Dan, Robin** - March 12, 2024 at 06:37 PM

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“ From Sis, Dayna, Dan, Robin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bob G. Stinchcomb.

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**From Sis, Dayna, Dan, Robin** - March 12, 2024 at 06:37 PM

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“ Shawn Fitzgerald purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bob G. Stinchcomb.



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**Shawn Fitzgerald** - March 12, 2024 at 12:29 PM