



John Oscar Moffitt

December 26, 1930 - April 10, 2024

John Oscar Moffitt passed into eternal peace on April 10th, 2024, at the age of 93. A native of Henryetta, Oklahoma, born to Ruby Boston Moffitt and Walter Scott Moffitt on December 26, 1930, John's early years were spent in the town he would carry in his heart throughout his life, even as he established his adult roots in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

John was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy Anne Moffitt, his parents Ruby and Walter Moffitt, brothers Gene and Joe Moffitt. He is survived and fondly remembered by his sister Helen Carmichael, and son John O. Moffitt Jr. (Melanee), daughter Jody Moffitt Luke (Rick), son Scott Moffitt (Toni), and daughter Julie Shelley (Mark) and grandchildren: Andy Luke, Amanda Sayed (Amr), Callyn Hoang (Peter), Clarissa Shelley, Cameron Shelley, Ian Moffitt as well as numerous nieces and nephews who will keep his memory alive.

An Okmulgee High School alumnus, John's pursuit of education took him to Northeastern State College for a Bachelor's in Business, to Oklahoma A&M (OSU) for a Master's in Accounting, and culminated with a Law Degree from the University of Tulsa, where he earned his Juris Doctorate in 1966.

Upon completing his formal education, John achieved the rare accomplishment of passing his CPA exam on his first try. He was honored by the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants as the chapter's 2018 distinguished CPA for his community involvement, professionalism, and activism in the profession. His contributions to numerous boards included the Kate Frank Manor, the Oklahoma-Arkansas River Commission, among other.

He was a member of AICPA.

His career started at Coopers & Lybrand before leaving to start his own accounting firm. After earning his law degree, he was known by many in town as a trusted lawyer they could always go to in times of need.

John joined the staff at Northeastern State University, where he became known as a rigorous yet equitable professor, deeply committed to the growth and development of his students.

His dedication to his community was reflected through his service with the Shriner's Bedouin Temple as a Jester in Muskogee, where his engagement supported various community activities and charitable events. He was an active member of the Fort Gibson United Methodist Church where he attended for years and also served in the role of treasurer.

Beyond his professional life, John was always seeking new knowledge and experiences with a robust zest for life. He was a voracious reader, an enthusiastic traveler, and an avid adventurer, piloting airplanes for both work and pleasure, forever curious and eager to explore.

John's personal life was enriched by his marriage to Dorothy Anne in Tulsa, OK, on July 2nd, 1959. John's quiet strength, patience, work ethic, leadership, and faith left a profound impact on all who knew him, and for this, his family and friends remain grateful.

A Korean War veteran, John proudly served in the 45th Infantry Division of the Oklahoma National Guard also known as the Thunderbirds. Where he achieved the rank of First Lieutenant and made lifelong friendships.

In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations to the Dr. John O. Moffitt Memorial Scholarship Fund via the NSU Foundation (www.NSUGiving.com/donate).

Visitation for John Moffitt with family receiving friends will be held from 3 pm-5 pm on Sunday, April 14th at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home in Fort Gibson.

A memorial service for John will be 1:30 pm on Monday, April 15th, 2024 at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home Chapel in Fort Gibson.

The Moffitt family has entrusted Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Fort Gibson with John's care, service, and burial.

Messages of condolences may be left online at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com.

Please join us for a meal at the Fort Gibson Community Center (200 W. Poplar St.) following the memorial service.

If you are unable to join us in-person and would like to join us virtually, please log on using the link below at 1:25pm Central Time.

<https://mines.zoom.us/j/95893802543> <<https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmines.zoom.us%2Fj%2F95893802543&data=05%7C02%7C%7Cfb4bab9150384776ce8a08dc5cbb6315%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638487207091817915%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2%2BK8AufWZ56%2B%2B955Xw%2Fp073DF25PvAvR9QubFod%2FsBI%3D&reserved=0>>

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Visitation with Family to Greet Friends

APR 14. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

APR 15. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BH

“ John Moffitt.... What can I say. He knew everyone and I always joked he needed to be mayor of Muskogee! I loved getting to spend time with him when he lived at Country Gardens. Thank you for allowing us to know him! My grandma Lorla Miller always spoke highly of John and Ann living on the same street and my mom becoming best friends with Sheila. Jody it was a pleasure to know you and thanks again for allowing me to know your dad!

Brandy Howard - June 04, 2024 at 09:33 PM

MK

“ Michael Kaad lit a candle in memory of John Moffitt



Michael Kaad - April 16, 2024 at 08:30 PM

SW

“ John and Anne were good friends with my parents, Norma and Jim Tuttle. Both were accountants and we spent lots of time together on the weekends. Rest in Peace John and prayers to the family for peace during this time.

susan Tuttle Wickenden - April 15, 2024 at 08:51 PM

ML

“ Mr. Moffitt taught me at NSU. He was the finest accounting teacher at the school. He pushed me and taught me. Rest in peace.

Mike Lippmann - April 15, 2024 at 02:34 AM

JC

“ John and Youvella Carmichael purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John Oscar Moffitt.



John and Youvella Carmichael - April 14, 2024 at 05:32 PM

SM

“ Susan M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Oscar Moffitt.

Susan M. - April 14, 2024 at 02:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Oscar Moffitt.



April 14, 2024 at 10:07 AM

TM

“ The Niemanns & The Murdocks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Oscar Moffitt.

The Niemanns & The Murdocks - April 14, 2024 at 10:07 AM

FF

“ From Hoang Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of John Oscar Moffitt.



From Hoang Family - April 14, 2024 at 01:18 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Oscar Moffitt.



April 13, 2024 at 10:56 PM

RM

“ Ryan and Gina Moffitt purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Oscar Moffitt.



Ryan and Gina Moffitt - April 13, 2024 at 07:18 PM

RM

“ Ryan and Gina Moffitt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Oscar Moffitt.

Ryan and Gina Moffitt - April 13, 2024 at 07:18 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Oscar Moffitt.



April 13, 2024 at 12:21 AM



“ From Chris and Theresa Moffitt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Oscar Moffitt.

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