



Lue Ray Goad

July 11, 1933 - December 26, 2023

Lue Ray Goad, 90, of Fort Gibson, OK was born July 11, 1933 in Muskogee, OK to Silas Isum Goad and Sarah Elizabeth (Boswell) Goad. He peacefully passed away Tuesday, December 26, 2023 in Muskogee with his loving family by his bedside.

He worked as baker for the National Biscuit Company located in Muskogee at an early age of 15. In 1951, Lue Ray enlisted into the Air Force and was stationed at Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield, CA. In 1955, he left the Air Force serving in the Aleutian Islands in the intelligence area of the Korean War. He received the National Defense Service Medal and Good Conduct Medal while serving as a member of the 5th Operations Squadron (SAC). Moving back to Oklahoma, he became a route salesman for Dolly Madison Cakes. His career lasted 35 years and he eventually became the plant manager for Dolly Madison Cakes in Emporia, KS before retiring in 1993. With his growing family and career promotions, Lue Ray lived in several other towns/cities spanning over four states (Muskogee, OK, Fairfield, CA, Tulsa, OK, Bixby, OK, Houston, TX, Emporia, KS, Grove, OK and Fort Gibson, OK). He enjoyed boating and fishing. He loved spending time teaching his daughters, nieces, nephews, and grandkids to water ski and fish. Lue Ray will be missed by all that knew and loved him.

With his first wife, Carol Jean Pratt Goad, he helped raise four daughters. His daughters were taught how to keep a car clean as well as being able to change tires on their cars or they would call "Tommy" to the rescue. He once

said when asked, "What was so good about raising girls?" His response, "Nothing better!" After 56 years of marriage Carol passed in 2010.

On March 20, 2012 he married Mary Jane Hilger-McLeod in Van Buren, AR. Together they spent 11 years making precious memories together. Lue Ray was a member of the Muskogee Boat Club and served as Commander for a while. He was also a member of the Frank Gladd American Legion Post #20 in Fort Gibson. He loved to go to functions where there was good food and time to visit with his friends.

Lue was preceded in death by his parents, first wife; Carol; brothers, Leonard, Clifford, Oraies, Bill, J.I.; sisters, Hattie Tadpole and Edna Barger; special brother-in-law Mutt Tadpole and sister-in-law, Ruth McLemore.

- He is lovingly survived by his wife of the home, Mary Jane Goad
- Daughters, Cheryl Sigel and husband, Joe of Paola, KS, Diane Merry and husband, Rodger of Bartlesville, OK, Mary Lou Goad, Salina, KS, and Susan Wilson and husband, Darrell of Hartford, KS
- Stepsons, Dan McLeod of Anaheim, CA and Rick McLeod and wife, Anna of Boise, ID
- Sisters-in-laws, Martha Brown and Joanne Martin both of Fort Gibson
- Brother-in-law, James Hilger and wife, Sally of Glenpool, OK
- Grandsons, Jeff Sigel and wife, Beth of Sundance, WY, Lee Merry and wife, Rebecca of Alma, KS, Kyle Sigel and wife, Celine of Gardner, KS, Chad Sigel of Deland, FL, Mitchell Broyles of Pittsburg, KS and J.T. Wilson of Hartford, KS
- Granddaughters, Jennifer Kimball and husband, Ross of Lane, KS, Lisa Hill and husband, Jared Owasso, OK, Jill Crumrine and husband, Eric of Hampton, MN, Christina Wilson of Nowata, OK, Erin Stuart of Wichita, KS, Callie Vessar of Denver, CO, and Carlee Broyles of Topeka, KS
- 3 step-grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and 1 great step-grandchild; many nieces and nephews as well as many friends.

A Celebration of life will be held at 11:30AM Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at the Cherokee established cemetery, Citizens Cemetery Pavilion (84 South Gladd

Road), Fort Gibson, OK. Lue Ray was a proud member of the Cherokee Nation. After the celebration of life, lunch will be provided at the Frank Gladd American Legion Post #20 (201 SE Railroad Road) in Fort Gibson, OK where family and friends can share moments together. Please join us there!

In lieu of flowers the family has requested memorial contributions in Lue Ray's name to Frank Gladd American Legion Post #20, P.O. Box 1401, Fort Gibson, OK 74434.

The family has entrusted his care, service and burial to Cliff and Carmen Garrett and Staff of Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 1224 East Poplar, Fort Gibson, OK 918-478-2555. Online condolences may be left for the family at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Citizens Cemetery

Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 2. 11:30 AM (CT)

Citizens Cemetery, Fort Gibson, Ok
84 S Gladd Rd
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Tribute Wall

BV

“ *I am so sorry. Lue was a big part of my life. He will be missed. Brian Vessar*

Brian Vessar - January 03, 2024 at 06:24 PM

SH

“ *Cheryl, please accept my sincere sympathy at the passing of your father. May all of your memories help sustain you.*
Susan Holthaus

Susan Holthaus - January 03, 2024 at 02:42 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Lue Ray Goad.*

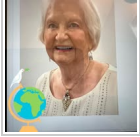


December 31, 2023 at 03:50 PM

GM

“ *Dear Diane and family so sorry for your loss. Lue is in a better place now without pain and suffering. So hard to lose a father and friend. You will continue to hear his instructions for years to come. Peace be with you all. Rest in peace Lue*

Gene Merry - December 31, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ Dear Cheryl: Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. May God bless you and your family as you mourn. May God’s love be with you. Lyla Hoyland

Lyla Hoyland - December 30, 2023 at 08:51 PM

RM

“ 1 file added to the album In Loving Memory Of Lue Goad



Rick McLeod - December 29, 2023 at 02:31 PM

RB

“ My uncle lue would put me on his back jump off big rock at boy scout hole ,baronfork ,river, tell I finally learn to swim,Lue was a great roll model , Ralph Barger

Ralph Barger - December 28, 2023 at 11:56 PM

SW

“ Sandra Worley lit a candle in memory of Lue Goad



Sandra Huggins Worley - December 28, 2023 at 11:28 PM

DW

“ Lou and my dad (Avis Goad) were cousins. They talked almost daily on the phone . They were great buddies . When dad passed I tried to stay in touch with Lou but he had a hard time understand me . I'm so sorry for your loss but I can assure you that his cousin Avis was glad to see him .



Donna Wilson - December 28, 2023 at 05:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Lue Ray Goad.



December 28, 2023 at 02:24 PM

TL

“ Lue Goad and my dad Tommy Leihsing were good friends. One time in the early 1970's Lue, Tommy, Virgle Stair his son Mike and I, Dwayne Leihsing were fishing on the Neosho river by Hartford, Kansas. The wind came up and it started to rain. Mike and I were told to get under the front of the boat while Virgle drove. It started to hail and the wind was blowing the tree's and limbs were starting to hit the boat as well. The boat was starting to fill up with water in the back and Virgle said pull the plug and the water was sucked out of the back as we were going. By the time we got to the boat ramp my mom, Carol Leihsing was there and told us that a tornado had hit the bakery. Lue and my dad were always doing interesting stuff like this.

Dwayne Leihsing

Thomas Dwayne Leihsing - December 28, 2023 at 12:23 PM

JH

“ *James Harris lit a candle in memory of Lue Goad*



James Harris - December 27, 2023 at 10:25 PM

BH

“ *Berry Beverly Harris lit a candle in memory of Lue Goad*



Berry and Beverly Harris - December 27, 2023 at 02:37 PM