



Melvin Edward Garner

July 3, 1939 - June 3, 2025

Melvin Edward Garner, 85, of Muskogee, Oklahoma, was born on July 3, 1939, in Kinta, Oklahoma, to Edward and Vinetta (Sloan) Garner. He passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, in Muskogee, leaving behind a legacy of love, dedication, and cherished memories.

Following his graduation from Muskogee West High School, he enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served our country for over 21 years, retiring with the rank of Chief Petty Officer. His commitment to service was a testament to his character and love for his country.

In 1962, Melvin met and married the love of his life, Aloma Faye Garner. Their marriage flourished for over 34 years, a beautiful partnership built on mutual respect, love, and shared dreams. Together, they created a warm and welcoming home filled with laughter and joy.

Melvin was a man of many passions. He cherished his family above all else, always finding joy in the time spent with loved ones. Whether it was a sunny day on the golf course, a peaceful afternoon fishing, or the thrill of hunting, Melvin embraced life with enthusiasm. He also had a unique fondness for riding mules, a hobby that brought him great joy and adventure.

He is lovingly survived by his sons, Tony Garner and girlfriend Katherine Skvhak of Waco, Texas, and Michael Garner and wife Ranie Rantian Garner of Tulsa, Oklahoma; grandchildren, Sharon Carter of Waco, Texas, Sarina Garner of Austin, Texas, and Sammy Winokan of Tulsa, Oklahoma; sister, Carol Vance and husband Ray of Muskogee, Oklahoma; as well as nieces,

nephews, extended family, and many friends who will miss him dearly.

Melvin is now reunited with his beloved wife, Aloma Faye Garner; his parents, Edward and Vinetta (Sloan) Garner; and his brother, Ted Garner.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, with family receiving friends from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Muskogee. A celebration of Melvin's life will follow at 2:30 PM at Fort Gibson National Cemetery.

The family of Melvin Edward Garner has entrusted his care, service, and burial to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Muskogee. For those wishing to express their condolences, please visit clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com.

Melvin will be remembered for his kindness, his unwavering love for his family, and the joy he brought to all who knew him. He will be deeply missed but forever cherished in the hearts of those he touched.

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN 10. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Crematory (Muskogee)
1020 West Okmulgee Ave
Muskogee, OK 74401
(918) 910-8883

Celebration of Life

JUN 10. 2:30 PM (CT)

Fort Gibson National Cemetery
1423 Cemetery Rd
Fort Gibson, OK 74434
(918) 478-2334

Tribute Wall

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“ *From your Friends at Trane purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Melvin Edward Garner.*



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“ *Melvin was a very good man he loved his family and enjoyed having a good chat with friends. I've set with him at times had conversations about life and family also stories of him growing up back in his days. He will be missed by all.*

Christopher Lewis - June 08, 2025 at 07:10 PM