



## Phillip 'Phil' Franklin Berry

October 28, 1936 - June 3, 2024

Phillip (Phil) Franklin Berry was born in Oklahoma City, OK, on October 28, 1936, and passed away on June 3, 2024, at his home in Muskogee, OK. He attended Oklahoma State University. He and his brother owned and operated Berry Equipment Company in Muskogee, OK. Phil later owned Phil Berry Excavating until his retirement.

When Phil found himself interested in something new, he didn't just dabble—he immersed himself fully in whatever he was pursuing. Whether it was perfecting his golf swing, mastering the latest computer technology, or pursuing the tranquility of fishing and the thrill of hunting, he dedicated his time and energy wholeheartedly to each endeavor, showcasing an inspiring commitment to his pursuits.

In addition to his lifelong hobbies and interests, Phil dedicated his time and energy to the service of the community. He served as a Captain for 16 years in the voluntary program that assisted the Sheriff's Department in Muskogee County and retired in 1999 after over 25 years of total service.

Preceding him in death are his daughter, Nicki Grace; parents, Sidney and Pearl Berry; brother, Kenneth Ray Berry; and companion, Lolita Stansifer.

Phil is survived by his daughters, Debra Sasser of Calabash, NC, Michele and Larry Arnold of Muskogee, and Marla Kinsey of Calabash, NC; grandchildren, Nicki and Preston Sanders of Broken Arrow, OK, Cody Sasser of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Jessica Kinsey and John Galbraith of Tulsa, OK, and Jamie and Wes Ellis of Muskogee, OK; eight great-grandchildren; three great-

great grandchildren; Patricia Berry of Muskogee, OK; along with nieces; nephews; lifelong friends; and his faithful furry friend, cat Gabby.

The family would like to thank Elara Caring Hospice for their care and support during Phil's illness. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Muskogee Sheriff's Department or the charity of one's choice.

A visitation for Phillip with family receiving friends will be 5:30PM-7:30PM, Friday, June 7, 2024 at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home in Muskogee. A private family burial will be held at Greenhill Cemetery in Muskogee, OK at a later date.

The family of Phillip Franklin Berry has entrusted his care and cremation to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Crematory, 1020 West Okmulgee Avenue, Muskogee. 918-910-8883

Online condolences may be left for the Berry family at [clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com](http://clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation with Family to Greet Friends

JUN 7. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home and Crematory (Muskogee)

1020 West Okmulgee Ave

Muskogee, OK 74401

(918) 910-8883

# Tribute Wall

BP

“ I always enjoyed visiting with Phil when he came to the golf courses where I worked. He was a very nice man.

**Bobbie Perceful** - June 09, 2024 at 03:44 PM

DB

“ I have many fond memories of Uncle Phil as a child growing up. His and my father's love of the outdoors is legendary and has been passed down to several generations of Berry's.

**Dr. Phillip R. Berry** - June 07, 2024 at 03:25 PM

TA

“ Tom and Janell Arndt lit a candle in memory of Phillip 'Phil' Berry



**Tom and Janell Arndt** - June 07, 2024 at 02:25 PM

JA

“ Love you papa. I miss you.

**Jamie** - June 05, 2024 at 02:24 PM

CM

“ Cheryl (Fletcher) Moses lit a candle in memory of Phillip 'Phil' Berry



**Cheryl (Fletcher) Moses** - June 04, 2024 at 09:34 PM