



Robert Lee 'Bob' Barker

May 23, 1943 - June 8, 2021

Robert Lee "Bob" Barker, 78, of Muskogee, OK was born May 23, 1943 in Muskogee to Fred A. and Betty Sue Barker and peacefully passed away Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at his home. After graduating high school, Bob enlisted in the United States Navy on April 10, 1964 in San Diego, CA. He served aboard the USS Kitty Hawk and the USS Ticonderoga in Vietnam as an Aviation Jet Mechanic. Bob received an Honorable Discharge on January 15, 1970 as an E6, First Class Petty Officer. After serving his country, Bob had a flat track motorcycle that he raced all over the country for several years. He worked for the United States Postal Service in Muskogee as a Mailman. During Bob's postal career, he represented the local post office as a delegate to the National Convention several times. He met and married the love of his life, Doris Adamson, in August of 1984 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Bob retired from USPS in 1995 after 30 years of faithful service. Not one to sit still, Bob owned and operated a dump truck and backhoe service. He enjoyed playing the mandolin with Mel Howell in their Bluegrass band "HWY 80". They performed all over the surrounding areas from Tulsa to Lake Tenkiller. Bob loved to be outdoors working, spending time with his family, and watching NASCAR every Sunday with his stinker (granddaughter), Leslie. Bob was a beloved husband, dad, and grandfather and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Those left to cherish Bob's memory are his wife, Doris of the home; daughter, Kim Ann Maples of Muskogee, OK; sons, William David O'Neal, Jr. and Michael Dean Barker, both of Muskogee; granddaughters, Leslie Martin of

Tulsa, OK; Brittni Washington and Kirstey Washington, both of Muskogee; and Amanda O'Neal of Muskogee; grandson, Greyson O'Neal of Muskogee; great-granddaughters, Madison Walker of Broken Arrow, OK; Akela Steele and Jaedin Steele, both of Tulsa, OK; and great-great-granddaughter, Josie Daulton of Broken Arrow, OK.

A service celebrating Bob's life will be 10AM Thursday, June 17, 2021 at Fort Gibson National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, with full military honors. The family of Robert Lee "Bob" Barker has entrusted his care, cremation and service to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home in Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555.

Online condolences may be left for the family at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Lee 'Bob' Barker*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM

WB

“ Bob and I were in the U.S. Navy together at NAS Miramar, San Diego California from 1962-1964. He was one top notch guy, and a good friend. I left the Navy in 1964, but he apparently continued on. About 10 years ago, I googled his name along with Muskogee Oklahoma, and low and behold, we made contact. On one of our RV adventures around the U.S., we stopped at a campground near Bob's home. When we arrived, The campground owners already knew we were coming, and were ready for us, because Bob had contacted them and set it up. When we made contact with Bob, he said he would drive over to meet us. He showed up after about a half hour on his blue tractor!! We spent a day or two, and went out to dinner with he and his wife. Everyone at the restaurant seemed to know them. The morning we were pulling out, I asked Bob to come by again on his tractor, so that I could get some pictures. He showed up a little bit late and apologized and said that he was burying a friends cow, and its legs were sticking up above ground, and he couldn't leave it like that and had to rebury it, LOL. I have those pictures and great memories of Bob. Some years passed before I ran across his phone number, and called him. We talked, and life had changed quite a bit for him and family health wise. I tried to call and check in with him a couple of times a year, and today, I got a sad, sad message that his number that I had called many times over the years was no longer in service. Even though we were far away separated, I always valued Bob as a long time friend. RIP Bob.

Wayne and Barbara Boswell

If any family members would care to do me a favor and make contact, I would appreciate that act of kindness. waybar@sbcglobal.net

Wayne Boswell - January 04, 2022 at 12:33 PM

ML

“ *Bob was the finest man. He built me a gravel drive way to my shop. The job was not easy but he displayed great wisdom and understanding. You are missed. Rest easy with the angels.*

Mike Lippmann - September 08, 2021 at 12:48 AM

SR

“ *Bob was a great man and will be missed very much. Scott, and everyone at Scott's Repair*

Scotts Repair - June 17, 2021 at 09:35 AM

WS

“ *bob was friend we worked together and played had alot of fun walter @ linda schilt god bless keep smiling thats the way smart BOB would want it*

walter schilt - June 16, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ *I have fond memories of motorcycles & music with Bob. Later in life he always did my gravel driveway work. A heck of a nice guy.*

Larry Rogers - June 12, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *Mark-Durenda McVey lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee 'Bob' Barker*



Mark-Durenda McVey - June 10, 2021 at 07:45 PM