



Darrell Eugene Craig

December 15, 1923 - December 29, 2008

Darrell Eugene Craig of Miami passed away at Osborne Care & Rehab on Monday, December 29, 2008, after a lengthy illness. He was 85.

He was born December 15, 1923 in North Miami, Ok, to Jack O. Craig and Lula Mae (Cameron) Craig. After the passing of his father when Darrell was about two years old, his mother later married Bud Myers. Darrell graduated from Miami High School in 1942. He married his one and only love, his sweetheart of 66 years, Myrel Pauline French, of Fairland, Ok, on September 8, 1942, he enlisted in the U.S. Army (Artillery Division), serving 3 years in the South Pacific. After the war, he returned to Miami, working at B.F. Goodrich for over 6 years, then began working for the U.S. Postal service first as a city carrier and then a rural route carrier for 32 years, retiring in 1983.

Darrell was a life-long member of the First Baptist Church, Miami, Ok.

Darrell was an avid outdoorsman, who enjoyed fishing and hunting, especially with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; his life-long and best fishing partner was his wife. Other hobbies included gardening, woodworking and fly tying.

He is survived by his wife, Myrel Craig, of the home; daughters Connie Wallace of Tulsa, Ok; Diane Stowell and husband, Ron of Miami; and son, Brent Craig, of Miami. He is also survived by his grandchildren Craig Litle and wife, Dana, of The Woodlands, TX, Kim Hendricks of Sand Springs, Ok and Michael Wallace of Tulsa, Ok; Scott Stowell and wife, Carrie of Edmond, Ok, Bryan Stowell of Tulsa, Ok and Gina Rentfrow and husband, Jeramie, of

Miami, Ok; and Jeremy Johnson of Tulsa. Great grandchildren are Lauren and Jacob Litle; Drew and Erin Hendricks; Ellesee and Britton Stowell; Karly and Macy Rentfrow and Jace Johnson.

He was preceded in passing by his father, step-father, mother and brothers, John, Eddie, Harold and Virgil Craig and James (Curly) Myers, and sister, Eileen Powers.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 2, 2009, 2:30 PM at the First Baptist Church, Miami, Ok. Rev. Leon Weece will officiate with Rev. Rick Longcrier assisting. Burial will follow at the Fairland Cemetery, Fairland, Oklahoma. Visitation will be from 6-7 pm on Thursday, January 1, 2009 at Cooper-Althouse Funeral Home, Miami, Oklahoma.

Pallbearers will be the grandsons: Jeremy Johnson, Craig Litle, Jeramie Rentfrow, Bryan Stowell, Scott Stowell, and Michael Wallace. Honorary pallbearers will be Harlin Brewer, G.C. Freeman, Frank Gray, Glen Lowe and Charles Venis.