



Delmer Leroy Burris

November 11, 1934 - April 3, 2023

Delmer Leroy Burris, 88, a resident of Miami, Oklahoma went to be with his lord on Monday, April 3, 2023. Delmer was born in Bernice, Oklahoma on November 11, 1934 to Melvin and Ruby "Mathews" Burris. While attending Commerce High School, Delmer was selected for All-State in football. After graduating from Commerce High School, Delmer was proud to have the opportunity to serve his country in the United States Army. Delmer would marry the love of his life Janice "Woolridge" Burris on December 31, 1954. Together they would have one daughter, Terra. After serving in the Army, Delmer found his true calling in Law Enforcement. Delmer started his law enforcement career at the City of Miami, Oklahoma Police Department. He would work for Miami Police Department from 1961 until 1981. After retiring from Miami Police Department, Delmer accepted a position with the Grand River Dam Authority Police as the Chief from 1981 until 1999. After retiring from the Grand River Dam Authority Police, Delmer chose to continue working in law enforcement for the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office until 2017. When Delmer was not working, you could catch him fishing or hunting. Delmer was also a lifelong fan of the University of Oklahoma Sooners. Most of all, Delmer loved his lord and savior Jesus Christ. He was proud to be a Deacon of his church until he stepped down in 2018. He will always be remembered as a caring person who loved his family very much.

Preceding Delmer in passing are his parents, Melvin and Ruby Burris, and his sisters, Mary Boutot and Phylis Smith.

Those left to share the memory of Mr. Burris, is his wife, Janice Burris, of the home, daughter, Terra Leader and her husband David, of Miami. Grandchildren include, Whitney Rush and her husband Ricky, of Miami, Sadie Harrison and her husband, Jeremiah, of Miami, and Jordan Leader and his wife Mellissa, of Tulsa. Great-Grandchildren include Javen, Baylen, Stratton, Madden, Everly, Barrett, and Melia.

Visitation has been scheduled for 1:00 P.M., Monday, April 10, 2023, at First Baptist Church in Miami, Oklahoma. Funeral Services will follow at 2:00 P.M. Interment will follow at the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery in Miami under the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mr. Burris' Tribute Page at www.brown-winters.com.

Cemetery Details

Grand Army of the Republic

2801 North Main Street
Miami, OK 74354

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Miami
24 A St. SW
Miami, OK 74354
<http://www.fbcmiamiok.org>

Celebration of Life

APR 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Delmer Leroy Burris*



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 07, 2023 at 03:11 PM

SJ

“ *I'm truly sadden to hear of Delmer's passing. I worked 15 years for Delmer on the midnight shift at MPD until he retired and went to GRDA. He was a good man and a great supervisor.*

Steve James - April 10, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ *1 file added to the album LifeTributes*



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 07, 2023 at 01:52 PM

EW

“ *Elaine Wagner lit a candle in memory of Delmer Leroy Burris*



Elaine Wagner - April 06, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ 82 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 06, 2023 at 05:37 PM

SC

“ *Smiles Family Dental Care purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Delmer Leroy Burris.*



Smiles Family Dental Care - April 06, 2023 at 09:47 AM

CF

“ *Delmar hired me as a patrolman at GRDA. He was always a gentleman, and great to work with. My thoughts are with his family at this difficult time.*

Charlie Floyd - April 05, 2023 at 05:13 PM

JE

“ *I met Delmer while working at GRDA in Vinita. He was a super nice gentleman.*

Jeri Estep - April 04, 2023 at 07:01 PM