



Earnest "Bood" Abel

December 10, 1923 - November 30, 2018

Earnest "Bood" Abel, 94, a longtime Miami resident passed away at his home on Friday, November 30, 2018. He was born December 10, 1923 in Chouteau, Oklahoma to Martin and Ruby (Dooley) Abel. He was a member of the United States Army where he was a part of the 776 Engine Petroleum Company. After his honorable discharge from the Army he worked at B.F. Goodrich as a tire builder. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and being a cowboy. Bood was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and First Presbyterian Church. He was preceded in passing by his parents Martin and Ruby Abel along with his first wife Peggy Lynn (Downing) Abel.

Survivors include his wife Judith (Heyden) Abel of the home, his children; David Abel and his wife Nancy of Florida, Lynn Butler and her husband Danny of Arizona, Lynette Venard and her husband Chet of Perry, Oklahoma, his grandchildren, Amanda Wagonner and her husband Rob of El Dorado, Arkansas, Matt Van Hoose and his wife Ayako of South Korea, Jessica Vernard and Justin Vernard of Perry, Oklahoma. His is also survived by numerous great and great-great grandchildren.

Services are 10:30 AM, Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church in Miami with Reverend Ray Vandegiesen officiating. Military Honors will be provided by the American Legion Funeral Honors Team. Services are under the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in

Miami.

The family has asked that memorial contributions be made to First Presbyterian's Deacon's Fund.

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

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434
<http://www.cem.va.gov>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 4. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church-Miami
1410 NE Veterans BLVD
Miami, OK 74354

Tribute Wall

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“ I've been Bood's neighbor for about 15 years and had plenty of wonderful driveway conversations! I'm going to miss his loving smile and his voice hollering hello 😭 Honestly the thing that I admired most is his love for Judy ❤️ I heard him saying bye to her one morning as she was headed off to town and he said I love you babe! I thought it was so sweet and sincere. It's the little things that mean the most. K street will never be the same to me. Rest In Peace my sweet neighbor you will be missed here on earth but I'll see you in Heaven.

Sarah Orcutt - December 04, 2018 at 10:29 PM



“ *Bood Abel enjoyed his life. From his days as a young man, his service to his country during WWII, to his days of defensive driving during prohibition! Bood had stories to tell about all aspects of his life. He enjoyed his younger years of working at BF Goodrich as a tire builder during the week to Rodeoing in calf roping events with his kids Dave and Lynne, often with nephews Mark and Kelly Kays, and other cowboy friends in the county. Bood enjoyed fishing on Grand Lake and Spring River other with his friends Frank and GC. I've been on the receiving side for fish, fried potatoes, and hush puppies along with a little adult beverages to help get prepared! Bood loved to cook and was proud of his baby back ribs, which I was sent pictures of Dave and Nancy enjoying when we weren't able to be there. I'm sure many of you have had his proclaimed delicacy of smoked balogna. Which was great for happy hour snacking. Bood enjoyed traveling with his wife Judy. They enjoyed trips to horse racing tracks around the south. Bood was an experienced racing form navigator, until he taught Judy. Judy got to where she could the form and at times at the end of the day walk away the out performer. They enjoyed their travel and didn't let distance from home to a destination slow them down. Bood drove them everywhere weather it was to Perry to visit Lynette and family, or to Sioux Falls, SD to visit Judy's brothers and family. They enjoyed the Arizona sun for at least a month each winter for several years. Bood drove the 1100 mile trip in two days sometimes 3. Often times there travels were gauged on how many naps Judy would get it, determined the distance! I'm proud to call him my father in law, and I'll miss our conversations. I'll remember the call I got from him within the week prior to his passing. I could only get about every fourth word out, but, the call means more than words can express. Judy, big hugs, I know how blessed we all are for having you in our lives, but for being in Bood's life, the love you had for each other is amazing! Love you and prayers for blessings and comfort. R.I.P. Bood Abel!*

Danny Butler - December 03, 2018 at 03:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earnest "Bood" Abel.*



December 02, 2018 at 10:36 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Earnest "Bood" Abel.*



December 02, 2018 at 07:55 PM



“ *My Dad, Earnest "Bood" Abel, was two weeks shy of his 95th birthday when he passed and except for the last year or so, enjoyed excellent health. As per his wishes, he died at home and in his own bed. Our family is thankful for a very peaceful passing. Bood loved our great country and was very proud of our family's service to the country. His dad, Martin Madison Abel, (my Grandad) served in the Army in France during WW1 and was a poison gas attack survivor. During WW2, Bood served in the Army with 2 years in the jungles of CBI (China, Burma, India) theatre of operations. I served with the Air Force in Vietnam (50 Combat Missions on EC-47s), my oldest daughter, Melissa Abel, (Dad's Grandaughter) served in the Air Force, my nephew, Mathew Van Hoose, (Dad's Grandson), active duty Air Force, has served in both Iraq, Afganistan and currently in South Korea. Dad liked to say our family has always stepped up and done our duty! God Bless America! RIP Dad, Love you, Dave Abel*

Dave Abel - December 02, 2018 at 02:45 PM

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David - he and your mom were the best! Cathy McGhee Spencer

Cathy McGhee Spencer - December 04, 2018 at 12:42 PM

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“ *What a man, friend and loving man. Lovely story teller, memory sharer and down right loved by all. A giant loss for one and all. The family has our sympathy. Love Gaylon and Nancy Heyden.*

Nancy Heyden - December 02, 2018 at 10:38 AM

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“ *Our family lost our beloved “Bood” on Friday morning. He died as he lived, full of life and on his own terms. He died peacefully at home, with his loving wife, Judy, by his side as she has been since the day they married. He is at peace now, leaving behind his loving family. His wife, Judy; 3 children, David Abel, Lynn Butler and Lynette Venard; 2 son-in-laws, Chet Venard, and Danny Butler; 1 daughter-in-law, Nancy Abel. He was blessed with 8 grandchildren, Missy, Matt, Amanda, Jessica, Justin, Ryan, Lacy and Cody. He was also proud of his 12 great- grand children; and he enjoyed and had a host of precious friends.*

We would like to thank everyone who has prayed for our family, sent well wishes, brought food, or stopped by to share a story or two with Bood. We appreciate it all and you will forever be in our hearts and prayers.

We sincerely thank you,

*David and Nancy Abel
and Amanda Waggoner
Addie Waggoner
Jaxon Waggoner*

nancy abel - December 01, 2018 at 06:59 PM

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It should read Rob and Amanda Waggoner sorry Rob

nancy abel - December 01, 2018 at 07:03 PM

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*I am so sorry for your loss. We loved Bood. He had a lot of life sayings that we called "Boodisms" as he was most wise and had a sense of humor. Sending love your way and a big hug.
David and Laura Kuhl*

LAURA KUHL - December 02, 2018 at 03:07 PM