



Gene Paul Reed

January 19, 1934 - September 27, 2025

Gene Paul Reed, 91, of Alma, Arkansas passed away peacefully in the early hours of September 27th, 2025, surrounded by his loved ones.

He was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas on January 19, 1934, the much-loved only child of Paul Cornelius and Leota Barnard Reed. In 1954 he married the love of his life, Betty Jean McBride. Gene Paul studied at the University of Arkansas but found his true passion in showing and breeding dogs alongside his wife. Gene Paul and Betty were never satisfied without a project in mind and a dog in their lap, and in their “retirement” proudly owned and operated their own boarding facility, the R&R Ranch.

Gene Paul was preceded in death by his wife of 71 years, Betty Jean, and is survived by daughters Ginger Hefner and Laura Pappenfort, grandchildren Logan (Kelsey) Pappenfort, Hannah Hefner, Matthew (Sophie) Hefner, and Skylar Pappenfort, as well as beloved great-granddaughters Thea and Jane. There will be a memorial service for Mr. Reed at 11:00 AM, on Sunday, March 8, 2026, at the Peoria Community Center. Burial for Mr. Reed will follow at the Peoria Tribal Cemetery.

Services have been placed in the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

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

Cemetery Details

Peoria Tribal Cemetery

S 638 RD
Miami, OK 74354

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

Peoria Community Center
1809 Cleveland Avenue
Miami, OK 74354