



## James E. Leake

December 6, 1946 - December 7, 2019

James Everett Leake of Miami passed away December 7, 2019 at the age of 73. He leaves behind his wife Sandi, their two daughters Trishia Masterson and Jaime Lacavera. James was born December 6, 1946 in Miami, Oklahoma to Jack and Rosalie (Lunday) Leake. He graduated from Miami High School and attended Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College and then Northwestern Oklahoma State University to play football and baseball. His college career was cut short when he signed up for the United States Air Force to serve his country during Vietnam. He was stationed at a TAC air Base in Germany and rose to the rank of Sergeant in the Air Force Security Force. Receiving the Distinguished Service Medal and was a distinguished Unit Serviceman before he was honorably discharged. James married high school sweetheart Sandi on June 4, 1964 and they made their home in Miami. He worked for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad then served as County Commissioner until his retirement. Always having a heart for children, he was especially proud to help found the Ottawa County Boys and Girls Club.

James is survived by his wife Sandi, daughter Trishia, her husband Chad and their children Seth and Annessa Masterson; and daughter Jaime, her husband Joe and their children Ajax and Toni Lacavera.

Visitation from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM on Monday, December 9, 2019 at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

There will be a Celebration of Life at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at Two Rivers Baptist Church with Reverend Chris Mammedaty officiating. Interment will follow at the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery under the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

The family has asked that memorial contributions be made to the Ottawa County Boys and Girls Club in James' name.

Casketbearers will be Chad Masterson, Joe Lacavera, Seth Masterson, Jack Kenney Leake, Mike Leake and Ajax Lacavera.

Honorary casketbearers will be Charlie Victor, Jim Wiford and Donnie Harner.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mr. Leake's Tribute Page at [www.brown-winters.com](http://www.brown-winters.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Grand Army of the Republic

2801 North Main Street  
Miami, OK 74354

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **9**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service  
5 B Street NW  
Miami, OK 74354  
(918) 542-3311  
[info@brown-winters.com](mailto:info@brown-winters.com)  
<https://www.brown-winters.com>

## Celebration of Life

DEC **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Twin Rivers Baptist Church  
62590 East Hwy. 137  
Miami, OK 74354

# Tribute Wall



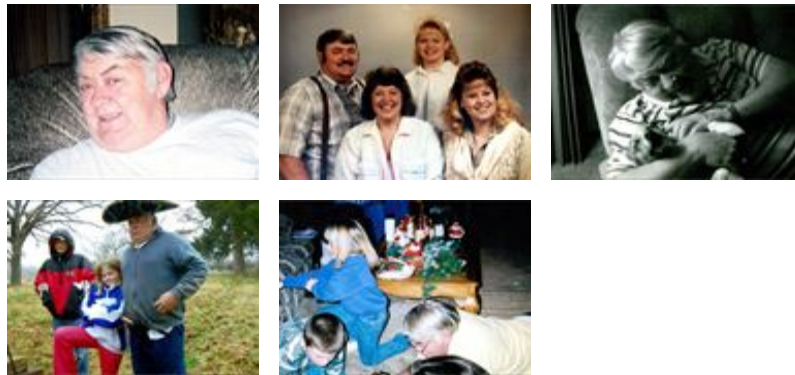
“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of James E. Leake*



**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - December 09, 2019 at 03:43 PM



“ *65 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - December 09, 2019 at 03:17 PM

TZ

*Oh my gosh!! We had no idea JAMES was gone. I happened to check the obits tonight & I saw where JAMES had passed. Had we of known...we would've been there.*

*Please know our hearts are broke for y'all! Tom admired & loved JAMES about as much as anyone he has ever known. We will keep you in our prayers! God Bless You Sandi!!*

**Tom & Ruth Zimmerman** - December 19, 2019 at 11:33 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James E. Leake.



December 09, 2019 at 09:50 AM



“ This is from Baby Kenny (Kenny McKee, Jr.). His best memory: Ken, Sr was pitching fast pitch softball. Jamie was his catcher. The other dugout started running their mouths and heckling Ken. So Jamie walked straight into the opposing teams dugout and told them if they didn't shut it he was going to whoop every single one of them. Good times!!!!

*From Amanda: I met Jamie at Clanton's just before Ken died. When he and Jamie saw each other, they both just lit up! It was as if no time had passed at all. True friends...it was an honor to meet him.*

Amanda and Kenny McKee - December 08, 2019 at 10:51 AM



“ Sandy and family our thoughts and prayers are with during your time of grief. Praying for your comfort. James was such an amazing friend he will be missed so much

NITA - December 07, 2019 at 08:06 PM



“ My prayer for ms Sandy. The community has lost a great man. I rejoice for mr James. I'm sure he's in heaven, he can talk his way in anywhere.

Rod Channel - December 07, 2019 at 06:55 PM

AP

“ There was never a time that James didn't Make and my boys laugh. We loved him dearly. He always had a funny story to tell you. Always joking . After he had his surgery on his leg he told one of the boys that he was gonna go to work for IHOP, and we nearly fell out of our seat laughing . He will be deeply missed hugs and prayers to Sandy and family.

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**angie parmley** - December 07, 2019 at 11:41 AM

KP

*Have known the Leake's since they were high school sweetheart's. James and I were in some classes together, he always had a smile on his face and you could count on him to keep us laughing. They made a great couple and I know Sandy and family will miss him greatly. My prayers will be with them at this difficult time. Karen and Woody Painter*

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**Karen Painter** - December 08, 2019 at 09:54 AM

BK

*RIP, my brother Security Policeman, thank you for your service.*

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**barry kuntz** - December 08, 2019 at 08:52 PM