



## Marion Hugh Gladden

July 3, 1920 - November 26, 2018

Marion Hugh Gladden Jr., a longtime Miami resident passed away in Hutchinson, Kansas on Monday November 26, 2018 at the age of 98. He was born in Checotah, Oklahoma on July 3, 1920 to Marion Hugh Sr. and Frankie Irene (Vance) Gladden. He entered the United States Army during World War II; he attained the rank of Corporal. He married his wife Jewell Stuart on August 10, 1946; they were married for 63 years. He worked as a self employed brick mason until the age of 74. He was a member of the Brick Layers Union, the NRA, Gideon's International and was an Eagle Scout and Scout Master. He and Jewell were also members of First Baptist Church in Miami where he was very active. He taught Sunday School Classes, served on several committees, was a Deacon and chairman of the Deacons during the building of the sister church Southern Hills. His passion was hunting elk and deer in Colorado with a great group of hunting buddies. Mr. Gladden is preceded in passing by his parents Hugh and Frankie Gladden, his wife Jewell Gladden who passed in 2010 and a brother Jerry Gladden.

Survivors include his daughter Marilyn Ball and her husband Garry of Atlanta, Georgia, Carolyn Gladden of Hutchinson, Kansas, Becky Abell and her husband Jerry of Miami, grand children Brian Ball of Golden, Colorado, Brett Abell and his wife Emily of Neosho, Missouri, Brad Abell of Miami and Sara Crosby and her husband Ben of Milton, Georgia, his sister Gwen Jones of Saint Louis, Missouri and her children Jim Jones and Cheryl Williams, great

grandsons Blake and Cooper Crosby of Milton, Georgia and Ace Abell of Miami and great granddaughter Karina Abell of Miami.

Visitation will be from 4-6PM, Friday, November 30, 2018 at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

There will be a Celebration of Life 10:00 AM Saturday, December 1, 2018 at First Baptist Church Chapel in Miami with Reverend Rick Longcrier officiating. Interment will follow at the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery with Fort Sill Funeral Honors Team providing military honors. Services are under the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorial contributions be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, Gideon's International or First Baptist Church in Miami.

Casketbearers will be Brett Abell, Jim Jones, Garry Ball, Jerry Abell, David Sparkman and Jack Manning.

Honorary Casketbearers will be his Adult Men's Sunday School Class.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mr. Gladden'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

NOV 30. 4:00 PM - 6:00 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>

## Service

DEC 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marion Hugh Gladden.



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November 29, 2018 at 01:30 PM



“ He was my first love, my hero, and he lived a truly Christian life. I will miss him greatly.

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**Becky Gladden Abell** - November 28, 2018 at 03:51 PM



“ Marion Gladden was a great man. I graduated high school on a Friday and began my first full time job on Monday working for Marion. I had the priviledge of working with him for 14 years before beginning my teaching career. He taught me the masonry trade as well as the business part. If you laid brick in the 4 state area then you knew of Marion Gladden. I was proud to tell people I worked with Marion and people that knew him would compliment him and talk about his great character. He was a sportman and thoroughly enjoyed the outdoors and hunting trips. I would take him fish that i had caught and he would smile and take out his filet knife. Marion was the only person I have known that could whistle and his cats would come running. Although I have not seen Marion in several years I often think about how he touched my life and the lives of many others. Marion Gladden was a great mentor to me and I owe him for a lot of the success I have had both in my career and in life because of the years I spent around him.

*Bud Johnson, Wylie, Tx*

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**Bud Johnson** - November 27, 2018 at 07:23 PM

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*Thank you, Bud, for the kind words about Daddy. He thought the world of you, too.*

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**Becky Gladden Abell** - November 28, 2018 at 04:49 PM