



## Richard (Dick) Gordon Platt

December 24, 1930 - February 19, 2015

Richard (Dick) Gordon Platt passed away February 19, 2015, he was eighty-four. Mr. Platt was born December 24, 1930 to Maurice and Florence (O'Malley) Platt in Muskegon Heights, Michigan. He was a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in business. Dick was an avid Spartan Fan; he was a Korean War Veteran. In 1966 he married his wife of forty-eight years Patricia Jean Shumway in Jackson, Michigan, After living in Jackson, Michigan for a number of years he relocated to Atchison, Kansas entering the leather sporting goods production industry. In 1974 he became co-founder of Oklahoma Leather products in Miami with Mr. Don Hume. Later on Dick and Pat became sole owners of Oklahoma Leather Products and in 2006 they purchased the Don Hume Leathergoods continuing to operate both Oklahoma Leather Products and Don Hume Leathergoods until retirement in 2007. He was an active member in the Miami community; he was a Miami City Commissioner, a Rotary Club member, and a member of Miami First Baptist Church attending the Davis Sunday School Class. Dick enjoyed a game of Golf for many years being members both at Miami Golf and Country Club and Shangri-La. Mr. Platt was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Robert Platt and two sisters Norma Hood and Elenor Hemenway.

Survivors include his wife Pat Platt of the home, his children Kathy Natschke and husband Frank of Lansing, Michigan, Lynn Smith and husband John of Miami, Phil Platt and wife Debbie of Howell Michigan, Susan Berry of Miami,

Steve Platt and wife Joanne of Ada, Michigan, Michael Platt and wife Connie of Joplin, Missouri. Dick was also blessed with seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren throughout Oklahoma, Kansas, Michigan and Tennessee.

Visitation will be 5:30 PM- 7:30 PM Monday, February 23, 2015 at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

Funeral Services will be 2:00 PM, Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at First Baptist Church Miami with Reverend Rick Longcrier officiating. Interment will follow at the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery in Miami under the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

The family has asked that memorial contributions be made to Alzheimer's Research Association, Miami First Baptist Church or Miami Senior Citizens Center.

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

FEB **23**. 5:30 PM - 7:30 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>

## Funeral

FEB **24**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard (Dick) Gordon Platt*



**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - February 23, 2015 at 01:53 PM

MK

“ *So sorry to hear about Dick's passing. He and Pat were so good to my sister, Miriam George, when she worked for them. They stood with her through all the ordeal of her son Tony's accident. They never failed to ask how she and Tony are doing now. Blessings to all the family.*

**Marcia Kruse** - February 23, 2015 at 03:22 PM



“ *Sympathy Fruits Abound was purchased for the family of Richard (Dick) Gordon Platt.*



February 22, 2015 at 10:55 AM

MG

“ Dick was my boss for 15 years and possibly the best mentor I've ever had in my entire career. I learned how to be a purchasing agent, write good employment policy, develop and deliver speeches, write excellent business communications, and so much more. He was always prodding me to do more with my career. Because of this nudging, I learned to adjudicate workers comp claims, process health insurance claims, and develop a completely self-funded/self-administrated insurance program.

Dick offered to send me to law school as he observed my keen interest in employment law, work comp law, etc. Although I didn't take him up on it, what I loved about this memory is that Dick saw the potential and believed I would be good at it. And yes, his offer to assist with my education was sincere.

Dick and his wife Pat were like parents to me in many ways as well. When my son Tony was in an accident, he was hospitalized in Tulsa for 68 days while in a coma. Dick and/or Pat came to see me weekly at the hospital. Dick creatively found ways to keep me busy and productive for his business while keeping vigil at the hospital with my son. I watched him shed tears as he empathized with the pain I felt over Tony's tragic accident.

There are numerous skills I developed while working with Dick that have allowed me the success I have enjoyed in my career. I will miss him and always remember him with fondness.

Pat, I love you, and I'm very sorry for your loss.

Miriam George

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Miriam George - February 20, 2015 at 01:05 PM

JD

*Dear Pat and Family, Sorry to see that Dick had passed. I know he will be missed by everyone. We really enjoyed the many years that we bowled together. Sorry I don't think that I can make his funeral tomorrow I have really been sick since July. I finally had surgery the first of December and I am beginning to feel so much better. Pat, We love you and family very much.*

*John and Linda Dragoo.*

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**John and Linda Dragoo** - February 23, 2015 at 07:41 PM