



Bill Courtney

February 5, 1946 - December 4, 2023

Bill Courtney, age 77, was born to Jess and Goldia (Borchert) Courtney on February 5, 1946 in Elk City, OK. After a long battle with several illnesses, he passed away December 4, 2023 in Wichita Falls, TX surrounded by his family. His family was from the Sayre area but moved to Fort Cobb when he was 11. He graduated from Fort Cobb School. He met the love of his life, JoNelle Gilliland, and they were married August 29, 1965. He and JoNelle started farming shortly after their daughter, Jessica (j.J.) was born. He raised several different crops, but his favorites were peanuts and alfalfa hay. He started a reseeding business in 2007 with his grandson, Jack, but all of his family members helped out at one time or another. His first words were "tractor tracks" and he has been making tractor tracks all of his life. He loved being outside playing in the dirt with his John Deere tractors and 4-wheeler, and tinkering with his cars. He also loved to be around family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents; his brothers: George Courtney and Glen Courtney; nephew, Mark Courtney, and sister-in-law, Gerry Courtney. He is survived by his wife, JoNelle, of the home; daughter, Jessica and husband, Laroyce Fanning; granddaughter, B Layne (Shorty) Hodgson and husband, Nicholas; grandson, Jack Elam; and two great grandsons: Langston and Kayden Bettis-Elam. Bill was loved and will be missed by all his family and a host of friends. Visitation will be Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00-8:00 and Friday, 9:00-1:00. Graveside services will be at 2:00 P.M., Friday at the Oak Grove Cemetery, Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. Services are under the direction of

Fort Cobb Funeral Home. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.smitfuneralservices.com

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Him passing. Even though we were 1st cousins I only met Bill once probably 50 years ago. His mom and my dad were siblings. He looks just like Jess, his dad, from my memory.

Betty Borchert Miller - December 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ Jessica, we are so sorry for the loss of your dad. Sending prayers for you and all of your family.
David and LaRita Bradley

LaRita Bradley - December 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM