



Dean Gerald Bixler

December 18, 1915 - November 3, 2009

Dean Gerald, son of Edna (Mingus) and Henry Raymond Bixler, was born on December 18, 1915 on a farm near Northwest Waynoka. He passed away at the Enid Integris Bass Baptist Health Center on 3rd day of November at the age of 93 years, 10 months and 15 days.

He attended the West Liberty and Heinle Rural Grade School through 8th grade and graduated from Waynoka High School.

On August 9, 1939, he was married to Marvel Louise Parker at the First Christian Church in Alva. To their marriage two children, Nancy and Lee, were born. A few years after their marriage they were able to purchase a farm from John Francis who wanted to retire and move to Waynoka. The farm they purchased had been homesteaded by Charles B. Byxbee in March 1906 who received a patent from Theodore Roosevelt. They lived in this early day farm house for twenty one years, and then built a new house in 1964, which they still occupy.

Dean has been active in community work. He served on the Rose Valley School Board for several years. He was a member of the Waynoka Coop Elevator Association for thirty-six years where he served as secretary of the board for many years. He was an agent for Farm Bureau Insurance Company for twenty-eight years. He was the treasurer of the Memorial Hill Cemetery Association. Dean was an active member of First Baptist Church, Waynoka serving as a teacher for many years and as deacon since 1959.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Blanche Gadberry,

Nellie Olson, and Leona Fritsch; Two brothers, Lester and Clifford. Dean is survived by his wife Marvel, a daughter Nancy Bixler of San Antonio, Texas; a son and his wife Lee and Lyndia of Roanoke, Texas; three grandchildren and their spouses, Todd and Josephine of Los Angeles, California, Traci and Joe Kreger of Edmond, Oklahoma, and Tim Bixler of Aspen, Colorado; two great grandchildren, Caroline and Landon Kreger of Edmond and several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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Tribute Wall

TF

“ We were so sorry to learn of the passing of Grandpa Dean. You have been in our thoughts and prayers as you celebrate the passing of a man who lived a very full life and lived it well.

With love,

The Nicholas Family

The Nicholas Family - November 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Dean. I delivered the mail to him for five years when his regular mail carrier was gone. He was a nice kind man.

Amanda Weber - November 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jean & Lyle Johnson - November 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Prayers are ongoing for your family. Blessings, Lori (a friend and fellow teacher Gof Nancy's)

Lori Rodgers - November 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Lee, Lyndia, Nancy & family: I am sorry to say that somehow with all my years in Waynoka, I don't think I had the pleasure of knowing your dad. But, just knowing you Lee, tells me a lot about who he was. I am so sorry for your loss and the loss of one so loved by the community. Does not look like I will be able to be there Sat. but you will be on my mind! Love, Sherry

Sherry Atwell - November 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ The Bixler family...Dean is fondly remembered being Crop Supt. at the Woods County Fair, when I was on the Fair Board; also when he was on the Co-op Board at Waynoka during my time as Co-op Mgr. at Dacoma. May special memories console you at this time.

Dale & Vaughna Schmidt - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ Nancy, Lee, Lyndia, and all of Dean's family,

Dean's goodness, kind ways, and friendliness have no doubt been a great influence for all who knew him. He was a great man, and will be missed in our community. May God be with you and give you strength in this time of loss. Sandie Olson

Sandie Olson - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Dear Lee and Nancy,

We are thinking you all and I hope to see you Sat. It was privilege to know your dad.

Prayers and Love,
Phil and Sally

Phil and Sally Buckland - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ Dear Nancy,

I was deeply saddened to hear of your father's passing. I remember the time we spent with your mother and him at my home. Your dad had such a big heart and you were truly the sunshine of his life. Please know that I have you and your family in my daily prayers.

*Much love,
Kim*

Kim Twedt - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Nancy- am very sorry for the loss of your Dad-- anyone with the name Dean had to be a wonderful person. Please let us know how Linda and I can help. Give your Mom a big hug--

Dean Greer - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Dean was my neighbor. I will miss him. Pete Nutter is my Grandpa

Taylor Waggoner - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Dear Nancy,
Thinking of you as you celebrate your Father's life.
Janet

Janet Dunavant - November 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM