



Enos "Budd" Ridgway

January 4, 1920 - January 4, 2014

Budd, was the twelfth of fifteen children born to Barbara (Hostetler) and Eli Ridgway, in Alva, Oklahoma on January 4, 1920. He passed away at Beadles Nursing Home on his 94th birthday. He was a graduate of the Alva School System.

In 1938 he was married to Edna Hook in Alva, Oklahoma.

On July 19, 1941 he was married to Annadean Blakely in Newkirk, Oklahoma.

Budd served his country during WWII in the Army Aircorps from 1942 -1945.

Following his time in the service he worked as a mechanic in Engelwood, Colorado, Pratt, Kansas, Seiling and Alva, Oklahoma. In 1952 he went to work for the Post Office, taking on a Rural Route in 1960 and retiring in 1982. He continued to do part time work at Max Supply for many years.

He was a member of the Alva Friends Church where he served on the Steward Committee as a Trustee and was an usher for as long as he was able. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge where he received his 50 year pin.

Budd loved helping people restore antique vehicles with many of them being

put in parades and car shows over the years.

He enjoyed taking his dog out with his metal detector to see what “treasures” they could find. Budd also enjoyed making jewelry and doing carpentry work as well as numerous other projects brought to him by family, friends and neighbors. There was nothing he could not do to everyone’s satisfaction.

Budd was preceded in death by his wife, Annadean (December 14, 2000); a daughter, Janette Faye (September 20, 1954); two grandchildren, Mitch Ridgway (January 2, 1999) and Nicole Feese (June 21, 1997); one son-in-law, Eldon Powers (May 6, 2001); his parents; Eight sisters and six brothers.

Budd is survived by his children: Deanna (Ridgway) Jackson and husband Gene, Verlyn Ridgway and wife Janece, Bobbie (Ridgway) Powers and friend Gerald Longhurst, Lynn Ridgway and wife Julie, Randy Ridgway and wife Ella, Merle Ridgway and wife Diann; ten grandchildren: Kevin Jackson, Kayla Jackson, Victor Powers, Bryan Powers, Natalie Miller, Jason Ridgway, Amy Madison, Tim Ridgway, Chad Ridgway and Mindy Sager; eighteen great grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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Tribute Wall

JL

“ To the family of 'Mr. Ridgway. I have very fond memories of Mr. Ridgway. He was a very pleasant man to be around. A great Christian, a great family man, with a great family. He will live forever in my heart along with some very good times. I feel as if I have lost a family member of my own by Mr. Ridgway's passing. He was a Blessed Man with a Blessed Family. Sincerely, Jon

Jon Linder - January 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ I am sorry to hear of. Budd's death. I have many memories of him helping out at the farm. He was always part of the Rauh family. He will be missed. God's blessings to all of you as you mourn his death.

Joan Rauh Nightengale - January 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ We are sorry to hear of Budd's passing. He was a great friend to us and our family. He had a big heart and was willing to help anybody. He was a big help to my dad and us on the Rauh family farm. He has given me many wonderful memories as we worked together on the farm.

God's blessing to you as he was a blessing to us.

Bill and Carol Rauh - January 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *Ridgway Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss. Budd was a great friend to my dad, Dub Garnett. I remember he would go to coffee with dad almost every night. I remember one night when my oldest daughter Megan was a little girl and staying with my mom and dad. She brought a toy up to my dad and said "Grandpa Dub, take this to Buzz...he can fix anything!" Toy Story was out at the time and she pronounced Budd as Buzz! As most of you know Budd had a special gift and I truly believe he could fix or fabricate anything!*

Jerry & Debbie Garnett - January 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Ridgway Family - Our thoughts & prayers are with each of you. Budd was a great neighbor. Kimberly especially enjoyed riding her bike & sledding down his driveway! (The steepest in the neighborhood!) He'd even sit out on the front porch & watch her. Many special memories of our Mr. Ridgway.*

Tim, Erin & Kimberly Stuck - January 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *We love and miss you, dad. You were an inspiration, and a wonderful father and man. Many life lessons were learned from you and we will always hold your love in our hearts. Rest in God's care now, dad.*

Lynn & Julie Ridgway - January 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *So sorry for the loss of your father and grandfather. We will be praying for the family.*

Red and Vicky Pfrehm - January 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Dear Ridgway Family,
I had the opportunity to work with Budd for a few years in the late 80's and early 90's at Max's Supply. I was a student at NWOSU working part-time for Max. And loved working with Budd! He taught me so much about parts, inventory, documentation, customer service, and most important "Attention to Detail". The time that I spent with Budd and Max years ago, has been a great benefit to a once "wet behind the ears college kid". The experiences that I gained at Max's Supply, have helped lead me on a 20 year career at Ditch Witch.
Thanks Budd.

Cody Mack

Cody Mack - January 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ To the family of Budd,
We always enjoyed Mr. Ridgway. A very kind and loving person. Always thought of others. May the memories always live on

Bill and Linda Beeler - January 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Deana & Gene, Thinking of you especially during this time of sorrow. May special memories be of comfort to each of you.

Dale & Vaughna Schmidt - January 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Words cannot begin to express the sadness we feel for you and your family. In times like this, we can only pray for strength, comfort, and wisdom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all, now and always.

The Juanita Brewer Family - January 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Until we meet again. You were one of my favorites!*
Love,
Ruth

Ruth Green Sites - January 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *What a bonus God has received this week. Budd will brighten up Heaven just like he did Earth. May God be with the Ridgway family. Goodbye my talented friend.*

Jim Scribner - January 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *We will miss Budd so much. He was always so loving and kind.*

Jeff & Sandra Koehn - January 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *To Buds Family,*
I am so sorry to hear Buds passing. He was a good neighbor
I will miss him. He was a good person to know.

steve & peewee - January 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM