

Marion Leon Millege

July 4, 1939 - November 21, 2023

Marion Leon son of Vivian (Turner) and Clifford Millege was born at the Alva General Hospital on July 4, 1939. He passed away at Beadles Nursing Home on November 21, 2023 at the age of 84 years, 4 months and 17 days.

He attended the Alva school system and graduated with the class of 1957 he went on to NWOSU receiving his Bachelors of Arts in 1962.

Marion was married on May 24, 1958 to Myrna Veley at her parents home in Alva Oklahoma. To this union two children were born Mike and Michille.

The family moved to Colorado in 1962 where Marion worked for Safeway Grocery Stores. In 1965 they moved to Brownell, Kansas where he had a job teaching and coaching. In 1968 they moved to Plains, Kansas where he continued to teach and coach for 27 years, while also going to summer school at NWOSU to get his Masters Degree in 1970. He retired in 1996 moving to the family farm near Alva, Oklahoma.

He was a member of the Alva United Methodist Church, a member of N.E.A. and Kansas States Teaching Association. He received a plaque for over 300 wins in coaching basketball and was a two-time nominee for Who's Who in American Teachers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a baby brother, Merlin.

He is survived by his wife of the home, Myrna, his daughter, Michille and her son Maxwell and significant other Holly and daughter Arianne. His son Mike and Theresa and their three children, Kelsey, Katey and Kaylee and husband Jory and their two children Andre and Rowen. A sister, Leta Jo Millege

Sparkman of Ogden, UT. A number of nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Alva Municipal Cemetery

1698 Flynn Street
Alva, OK 73717

Previous Events

Graveside

NOV **24**. 9:00 AM (CT)

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Memorial Service

NOV **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
Alva, OK 73717

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Wharton Funeral Chapel - November 23, 2023 at 09:27 PM

SM

Mr. Millege I remember best for 8th grade KS History. I learned so much about the state and still to this day know where the counties are more teachers should be dedicated like him. RIP - Sheila Adams

Sheila Marsh - November 24, 2023 at 04:57 AM

SR

One of the very best.

Stan Reiss

Stan Reiss - November 24, 2023 at 10:31 AM

PW

I will never forget Mr. Millege as my Jr. High coach. I learned a lot about sports that I used when I was coaching. I always enjoyed visiting with him. Condolences to the family. Phil Wilson

Phil Wilson - November 24, 2023 at 04:58 PM

LF

Mr. Millege was a great teacher and coach who touched a lot of lives in his years in the education field. Michille and I were in the same class. I spent time at their house and he was a lot of fun to be around outside the class room also. My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family. Lori Jacobs Fleming

Lori Jacobs Fleming - November 25, 2023 at 02:09 AM

OR

Thoughts and prayers to the Millege family. He was absolutely one of the best teachers and coaches at usd483

Ondre Rexford - November 26, 2023 at 02:59 AM



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Marion Leon Millege*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - November 23, 2023 at 08:14 PM

GJ

My condolences to the millage family. Mr milledge is one of my best teachers I really liked him he was a good person I'm sorry to see him go

George Fruit Jr - November 24, 2023 at 12:12 PM

SA

Mr Millege was a truly wonderful man. He will always be my favorite Reading teacher, just like in 5th Grade. To Mrs. Millege, Michelle, and Mike, Dad always held Mr. Millege with the highest regards. Scott Allen

Scott Allen - November 24, 2023 at 12:44 PM

MS

My thoughts and prayers are with the Millege family. What a wonderful man and teacher! I have such fond memories of one of my very favorite teachers. Years later, I was lucky enough to reconnect with Mr. and Mrs. Millege at NWOSU basketball games the four years our daughter played there. They were still supporting young people. Simply incredible human beings. RIP Mr. Millege. Mary Kisner Stebens

Mary Kisner Stebens - November 24, 2023 at 09:59 PM



Mr. Millege was an amazing teacher...one of my forever favorites. He was so special to me. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Amber Miller - November 25, 2023 at 02:08 AM

DT

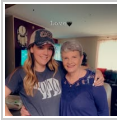
Mr. Millege was one of the best teacher I ever knew. He was a great coach. He will be missed! Sending prayers 🙏🙏🙏 to his family

David Thompson - November 25, 2023 at 04:56 PM

LS

Marion was my little brother. I called him "Butch" which was our dad's nickname for him. Marion and I conversed frequently by phone Marion was a loving and thoughtful brother. We had a fun filled childhood. I was infomed of his passing January 9th of this year, I am sorry I was unable to attend his funeral and burriel service I do not know why Myrna did not tell me or put my name in the obituary as his sister because I am, My name is Leta Jo Millege Sparkman. I am 3 and one-half years older than Marion,

Leta Sparkman - January 10, 2024 at 03:55 AM



My three sons and daughter also would like to be listed as family members who loved Marion and miss him. Randall Griffith, Jay Lee Griffith, Price Lynn Griffith, and Paige Griffith want to be listed as nephews and niece who loved their Uncle Marion very much.

Leta Sparkman - January 12, 2024 at 02:24 AM

SR

“ My memories are of a good and special young man I knew when I was much younger. May God bless his family, Myrna and those of us who knew him.

Sharon Lancaster Ridgway - December 05, 2023 at 01:01 AM

JB

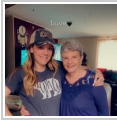
“ Mr Millege will forever go down as my favorite teacher of all time. I have so many wonderful memories of being in his 4th grade classroom. I can only hope I am making an impact like he did on all of my students. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family during this difficult time. May God bring you peace and comfort. Love, Jalayne Bacon (Gerber)

Jalayne Bacon - November 30, 2023 at 04:11 PM

LS

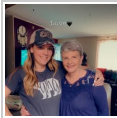
I am leader, Joe Millege, Sparkman, and Marion Leon Millege was my little brother. We grew up on a farm south of Alva and had a wonderful time. Our parents were very loving and caring. I was three years 3 1/2 years older than Marion. My dad always called him Butch so that was a nickname we used in the family. I regret that I could not come to the funeral service and burial for Marion. He and I talked.

Leta Jo Sparkman - January 10, 2024 at 02:28 AM



I am the sister of Marion Leon Millege his older, older sister, and only other living relative. I was not informed of Marion passing away so I did not attend the funeral in Alva or the the Church service which I would like to have done Marion and I had a very happy childhood. Our parents were very loving to us and also very strict. I Live in Ogden Utah, having last 20 years Marianne and I spoke, freaking frequent Lee on the phone and we enjoy each others company now as we did when we were children I do not know why I was not invited or told of Marion's passing. it came as a shock to me when I found out today I will find out how he died, and what he died of and why he was in Beadrestroom.

Leta Sparkman - January 10, 2024 at 02:33 AM



By

Leta Sparkman - January 10, 2024 at 06:07 PM

JD

“ Myrna and family, sorry to learn about Marion passing. Our prayers are with you all. Marion such a great guy will be missed by so many but the memories we had together in the olden days will never be forgotten. May GOD comfort you all in this time of sorrow. Thinking of you.

Jim & Marilyn Davison - November 30, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marion Leon Millege.



November 25, 2023 at 06:38 PM



“ Kathy and Marion Willimon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marion Leon Millege.

Kathy and Marion Willimon - November 25, 2023 at 06:38 PM



“ So sorry! My heart and prayers go out to all the family. Me. Millege was not only the best Coach and teacher ever, but also the nicest person I've known. He touched so many and will be missed. May he rest in peace! Tracy Utz , the #1 scorer in SWH history. Right Mike!!!!

by Tracy Utz - November 24, 2023 at 03:05 PM



Thanks Tracy. My Dad thought a lot of you as well as all of his co-workers, students and ball players. There is no way you out scored me in basketball at SWH because I was better than you.

Mike Millege - November 26, 2023 at 10:04 PM



“ What a wonderful man

Devin Brown - November 24, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marion Leon Millege.*



November 24, 2023 at 11:45 AM



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November 24, 2023 at 10:12 AM



“ *Mr. Millege was my 4th grade Teacher. He was Amazing. He made you feel seen and cared about, even loved. I loved 4th grade, because of Mr. Millege. My heart is with you during this difficult time.*

Laina Jenkins - November 23, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ *I always enjoyed Marion popping into my office to visit. He was always happy and had some good stories to tell! We talked KU basketball all year long! Bob also remembers trips to your house to work on the computer. Our prayers are with you at this time.*

Monica & Bob Schmidt - November 23, 2023 at 10:39 PM