



Powell McGuire

May 1, 1918 - November 27, 2010

Funeral services for Powell G. McGuire will be 11:00 Wednesday, December 1, 2010, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Alva, OK. Interment will be in the Alva Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of Wharton Funeral Home.

Powell "Red" McGuire, son of the late Criss McGuire and Estella (Farmer) McGuire, was born May 1, 1918, in Sharon, KS, and passed away November 27, 2010, at Meadowlark Adult Care in Wichita, KS, at the age of 92 years, 6 months, and 26 days.

Red graduated from Sharon High School with the Class of 1935. He received his degree from Northwestern State College in 1949. He played baseball and basketball in high school and college and in 1997 was inducted into the Northwestern Oklahoma State University Sports Hall of Fame in both sports.

On January 27, 1942, he entered the Army where he served on the 158th Regimental Combat Team in New Guinea and the Philippines. He was injured on Luzon and received a Purple Heart. He served until November 22, 1945 and received an honorable discharge.

After his return from the service, he was united in marriage to Oringa Catherine Reichenberger at Sharon, KS on June 1, 1946. He began his

teaching and coaching career in Kansas at Sharon High School, then went on to teach and coach at Attica High School, Satanta High School and in Oklahoma, Hammond High School, where he retired in May, 1985.

In his early years, Red played baseball for the Cessna Bobcats and other town teams and played basketball for the Anthony Boosters and others. He took up gardening in the 60's and continued to be an avid gardener until 2004.

He was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, V.F.W. and a loyal Northwestern Ranger fan.

Besides his parents, his six brothers, Marshall, Tom, Homer, Maurice, Vince and Gordon McGuire and one sister, Vivian McGuire, preceded him in death.

Powell is survived by his wife, Oringa, of 64 years, two sons, Nick McGuire of Attica, KS and Pat McGuire and wife Kathy, of Woodward, OK; one daughter Brenda Traffas and husband, Charlie, of Wichita; three grandchildren, Keri Pannell and husband Bill of Alva, OK; Ericka Beaty and husband Kris of Woodward, OK and Ryan McGuire of Bixby, OK. 2 great grandchildren, Jordyn and Matthew Pannell; one sister, Elinor Walton of Mulvane, KS, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews and many friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Alzheimer's Association.

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Tribute Wall

TH

“ *Oringa and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Red was a sweet man. Thank you for giving me the honor of helping to take care of him. May God bless you in your time of need.* ”

Tobi Hayes - December 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Great memories of Coach and what he taught me as a young man.* ”

Mel Limon - December 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *To All of you, I have many many memories of your Dad. Most of all the clorox jug at all of the BB games. Of course, we just watched to see how red his face would get during the games sometimes. It was so nice to have a great family in the same community I grew up in. He will always be a part of Satanta HS.* ”

Joye Cooksey - December 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *I love this picture of him! Brings back alot of memories of Mr. McGuire and our high school days. He was a wonderful teacher, coach and mentor. Very Glad I knew him. So very sorry for your loss* ”

Cheri Miller - December 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Powell McGuire c/o Wharton Funeral Chapel funeral home.* ”

December 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. He was an amazing coach and teacher! Satanta High School was lucky to have him.*

Pamela (Helton) Brazell - December 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *Mr McGuire was a joy to know. I (Julie)got to know him through the local cable office. He was a sweetheart & I will always have precious memories of him. Our most sincere sympathy goes to his family.*

Trooper Jimmy & Julie Davison Helm - December 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *a wonderful coach & teacher, he will be missed . you are in our thoughts and prayers. Ken and Bonnie(alexander) stice*

Kenneth & Bonnie Stice - November 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *With sincere sympathy at the passing of a wonderful and patient man. I owe my much admired parallel parking skills to him! Many fond memories of the family.*

Sherri (Hicks) Buss Rawlins - November 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Our prayers go out to you and your families in this time of sorrow.*

Love to all,

Laura and Robert Foster

Laura and Robert Foster - November 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers to you all.

Mike Owings - November 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Coach McGuire was a great man and teacher. I hope you won't mind if I tell you a wonderful memory I have of Coach McGuire. As you may remember he was the driver's education teacher when he was at Satanta High School. It was a snowy winter day and our group, Anne Pratt, Patrica Sutherland and I were out for our practice driving with Coach McGuire. He was going to teach us how to "handle a car when it goes into a slide". Well it was my turn and he told me, "As soon as you pass this car that is stop at the stop sign, hit the gas and it will make the car go into a slide." So I did just that, as soon as my vision of the driver in the other car was gone, I hit the gas. I never knew he could turn his head so fast to look at the car we had just past. It was because I almost clipped the other car with the driver's ed. car. I'm sure I helped to put a few grey hairs on his head with my driving skills.

Sally (Stegman) Hufford - November 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ What a great guy!!

Jody & Annie Evans - November 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM