

Bobby Kelly (Bob) Crumpley

Bob Crumpley died September 19, 2009 at his home in Norman, Oklahoma. Bob was born June 15, 1923 in West Plains, Missouri to Earl Ewing Crumpley and Ruby Kelly Crumpley. Bob grew up in Springfield, Missouri and graduated from high school there in 1941. After graduation, he joined the U.S. Naval Reserve and served his country as a pilot until World War II ended in August 1945. After receiving his commission, he married Gwen McCann in Norman on May 5, 1945. After he left the Navy, Bob enrolled at the University of Oklahoma, where he earned a BS in geology in 1948, followed by an MS in geology in 1949. He then went to work as a petroleum geologist for Texaco in Wichita, Kansas. After 10 years, Bob left Texaco and moved to Norman to work as an independent geologist. In the early 1970s he went to work for Halliburton Oil Producing Company in Oklahoma City. Over the next several years, he rose through the company, eventually retiring in 1989 as President and CEO. In retirement, Bob loved to travel. He was always ready for a road trip and was proud of the fact that he and Gwen had visited all of the lower 48 states and Canada. He was a loyal fan of the Dallas Cowboys and OU athletics, particularly women's basketball. He was also a long time regular at the Norman Farmers Market and cherished his friendship with many of the vendors there.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Ruby Crumpley, and a granddaughter, Sarah Katherine Crumpley. He is survived by his wife Gwen, of the home; four sons, Kelly Crumpley and wife Jan of Dover, Delaware; Mark Crumpley and wife Jayne of Norman; Robert Crumpley and wife Ruanne of Broomfield, Colorado; and Patrick Crumpley of Norman; ten grandsons and ten great grandchildren; a sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Holland H. Mondy of Corpus Christi, Texas. Bob was much loved by his family and friends for his kindness to others, his sense of humor and his tremendous story telling ability. He will be sorely missed.

In accordance with Bob's wishes, a family memorial will be held at a later date. Arrangements are with Havenbrook Funeral Home in Norman.

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