



## William Fred Sowder

December 8, 1926 - December 16, 2016

Funeral services for William Fred Sowder will be held Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 2:00 PM at the Parks Brothers Funeral Home Chapel in Okemah. Interment will follow at the Schoolton Cemetery.

William Fred Sowder was born December 7, 1926 in Banner, Oklahoma to Fred and Clara Julia (Wallace) Sowder. He passed away Friday, December 16, 2016 at his home in Cromwell, Oklahoma at the age of 90.

Mr. Sowder was a longtime resident of the Okemah and Cromwell area. He and Mabel Lee Barnes were married January 1, 1947; she later preceded him in death April 23, 2013. Mr. Sowder retired from the Martin-Marietta Company in California after 35 years of employment. After retirement Mr. Sowder returned to this area. Mr. Sowder worked at the Highway Liquor Store in Okemah for 22 years and enjoyed visiting with the people. He served his country with the United States Army during WWII and was a member of the Shawnee VFW.

Also preceding him in death were three brothers and one sister.

Survivors include his two sons, Larry Dean Sowder and Kerry Sowder of Cromwell and one daughter, Shjarry Vaught of Cromwell; one sister, Jessie Lee George of Nevada; 11 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and 2 great-

great-grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers will be George Story, Blake Story, Jason Teson, Aaron Sowder, Justin Sowder, Grant Vaught and Mike Sowder.

Services will be under the direction of Parks Brothers Funeral Home, Okemah, Oklahoma and officiated by Bro. David Hamilton.

# Cemetery Details

## Schoolton Cemetery

Seminole County, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **19**. 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Parks Brothers Funeral Home  
301 N 3rd Street  
Okemah, OK

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Parks Brothers Funeral Home  
301 N 3rd Street  
Okemah, OK

## Service

DEC **21**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Parks Brothers Funeral Home Chapel  
301 N. Third  
Okemah, OK

# Tribute Wall

CG

“ so sorry for the loss he will be missed here in Cromwell he always had a good sense of humor and a smile  
*Carmeletta Grant*

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**Carmeletta Grant** - December 20, 2016 at 11:05 AM

GH

“ *George Hill lit a candle in memory of William Fred Sowder*



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**George Hill** - December 20, 2016 at 09:40 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William Fred Sowder.*



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December 19, 2016 at 10:45 PM

MF

“ Dear Larry, Kerry, Shjarry and Family;  
When some one we love so very much is  
taken from us we have such a sad heavy  
heart. That is when we must be thankful for  
the time God blessed us to have Bill.



Bill was Gods angel on earth he brightened everyone's life he  
touched.

I am sure God has him a beautiful mansion up there where he will  
waiting with his arms open wide to welcome each of you home.  
I have many blessings in my life every day. One of my greatest  
blessings in my life was "my dearest true friend from begging to end  
"Bill Sowder" was always there to get me through the hardest  
times. I could not have made it with Bill to get me on the right path.  
"Buba and Beth you both will always be mine!"  
Shjarry you were such a blessing to your Dad with your love and  
care.

Cheril you will never know how much your love and care meant to  
Bill. He would always tell me how he was so grateful to have you.  
Always remember what a blessing you all were to Bill and how you  
made his life so much better here till God took him home.  
We will all be with him again up there.  
My prayers and love are with each of you now and forever. I will  
always be here for you.

Mart ( LeMay ) Fulsom

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Mart ( LeMay ) Fulsom - December 19, 2016 at 09:58 PM

JM

“ I will miss my dear cousin and am so sorry for the family's loss.  
Blessings to the whole family! Joyce Sowder McLain of Box 158,  
Hinton, Oklahoma, 73047

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Joyce Sowder McLain - December 19, 2016 at 02:04 PM

BV

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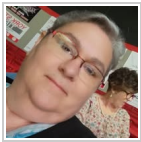
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**Bernie de Vroede** - December 18, 2016 at 03:21 PM

ES

“ I love you grandpa. Miss you.



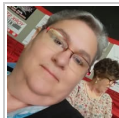
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**Elizabeth Sowder** - December 18, 2016 at 02:19 PM



“ Tammy Bryant lit a candle in memory of  
William Fred Sowder



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**Tammy Bryant** - December 18, 2016 at 01:12 PM



RIP PA, YOU WILL BE MISSED

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**Tammy Bryant** - December 18, 2016 at 01:13 PM

JA

*Bill, enjoyed your laughter when playing dominos, your teasing of Minnie Morphis at the Sr. Center. You always had a smile and something funny to say. Will surely miss you here on earth but I know your suffering is over and united with your other loved ones! Ontil I see you again Cowboy!❤️*

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**Jeanny Allenswort** - December 20, 2016 at 08:22 AM