



Ted J. Allen

October 15, 1930 - May 3, 2020

Services for the family will be held at 2:00 P.M. Thursday, May 7, 2020 officiated by Pastor Joe Gibson. Interment will follow in the Bixby Cemetery. Viewing hours are scheduled from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tuesday, May 5 and 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM Wednesday, May 6. The service may be viewed via livestream at

<https://www.facebook.com/LeonardMarkerFunerals>

Teddy Joe Allen was born on October 15, 1930 in Sapulpa, OK to F.W. Allen and Alice (Sykes) Allen. He passed from this life on May 3, 2020 at his home on Allen Ranch in Bixby, OK at the age of 89 years, 6 months & 19 days.

Ted was described in a newspaper article as "The man with many hats". That statement was true as he put on whatever hat he needed to in order to feed his family. As a young man his daddy taught him the value of hard work and honesty and he did his best to pass that along. Ted married the love of his life, Fern on Sept. 10, 1948 and they started an adventure that lasted a lifetime. They started out as dairy farmers on a little piece of land south of Bixby. Their neighbors, the O'Hern family didn't think they would last a month. Morris Dale and Ted often laughed about that over the years. While he put on many hats over his almost 90 years, which led to more jobs that can be mentioned, the hat that meant the most to him was a cowboy hat. Ted and his best friend & brother, Floyd made a successful living selling insurance but his heart and mind always came back to farming, ranching and horses. Ted & Fern grew that little piece of land into the Allen Ranch, "Where the coffee pot was always hot" and with "A.R. horses from coast to coast." Ted never met a stranger and often brought home strays, some were animals and some were people. He would pick them up off the side of the road and bring them to the ranch. He put them to work, Fern would feed them and they provided clothing if needed. If you were stranded, they would put you up and if you needed a tow, Ted was there. Ted & Fern were charter members of too many churches to list. They planted seeds for the Lord everywhere they went. If you met Ted Allen, you most certainly were introduced to Jesus. He was called by the Lord to open the Allen Ranch Youth Ministry and as always, Fern backed him 100%. When you stepped onto the A.R., you were expected to work but he would never ask you

to do anything that he wouldn't do himself. But mostly, what Ted gave so freely to all that met him was love. He had the biggest heart and the ability to love beyond measure and there is no doubt he is enjoying the big rodeo going on in heaven right now!

He was preceded in death by his parents, his beloved Fern, 1 son; Joe Allen, 1 brother; Carl and his wife Betty and 1 sister-in-law; Leora.

Ted is survived by 1 son; Stanley Allen and wife Melva, 3 daughters; Helen Williamson and husband Robert, Suzanne Brown & Paula Randolph and husband David, 1 daughter-in-law; Debbie Allen, 2 brothers; Floyd Allen, Jr. and wife Ann & Don Allen and wife Nathalee, 10 grandchildren; Adam, Oliver, Jamie, T.J., Nicole, Sierra, Candace, Teddi-Jo, Rachel & Caitlyn, 18 great-grandchildren, 7 great-great-grandchildren as well as many, many nieces, nephews, an abundant extended family and longtime friends.

Casket bearers are Dofford Walker, T.J. Allen, Oliver Forest, Adam Forest, David Randolph & David Allen. Honorary bearers are Adam Karnes, Rick Eubanks, Dustin Allen, John McGuire & Justin Cotner.

Events

MAY **Viewing** 10:00AM - 05:00PM

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Leonard & Marker Funeral Home
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MAY **Viewing** 10:00AM - 07:00PM

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MAY **Livestream** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Leonard & Marker Funeral Home - May 06 at 02:06 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Ted's passing. Ted and Fern were always so good to me when I lived in the park just north of the ranch. Ted always looked out for me when I was single living there. He will be missed.

Judy Lemons - June 19 at 08:14 AM



“ I'll miss Ted and seeing him at the Y. He was a joyful soul to be around.
Ellie Werner

Ellen Werner - May 08 at 12:38 PM



“ What a beautiful memorial service for Ted Allen- a celebration of his life and legacy. We will miss him greatly. It was an honor to know him, an education to hear his stories and a blessing to hear him talk about his love of Jesus. His visits to our place in Colorado are treasured memories, and it was fun to share meals and music with him! God created a very special man in Ted, and gave Ted a purpose here on earth which Ted lived out in his unique way. So we are grateful for Ted's life and grateful for his family that brought him here to us.
We send our love and prayers,
Paul & Paula Meredith

Paula Meredith - May 07 at 04:41 PM



“ We will miss Mr Ted at Hinges and Twinges at the Daily YMCA. I so enjoyed singing with Ted while we exercised in the water. He always had a smile for everyone and was so welcoming to me when I started leading the class.
God blessings and comfort for Mr Ted's family.
Love, Annita White

Annita White - May 07 at 08:31 AM



“ Deborah Forest and Kate purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ted J. Allen.



Deborah Forest and Kate - May 06 at 05:30 PM



“ Bethesda Boys Ranch purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ted J. Allen.



Bethesda Boys Ranch - May 06 at 12:29 PM



“ Jan and I are so sad to hear of Ted's passing. He was a great neighbor and friend. I will never forget my first meeting Ted. In 1998 we bought the property across from Allen Ranch and one of my first projects was to plant 20 acres of alfalfa on our property across Duck Creek. Soon after I found several Longhorn cattle happily grazing on the alfalfa. After making a couple of inquiries I was told they were probably from Allen Ranch so I called and Ted answered the phone. I introduced myself and told Ted I thought his Longhorn cows were grazing on my new alfalfa field. Ted said they probably got out and went under the bridge but don't worry Mr. King that alfalfa won't hurt those cows. I couldn't help but laugh and have told that story many times. I soon learned Ted was quite a character and one of a kind. Jan and I send our condolences to the Allen family and are grateful for the opportunity to know Ted. Ride on cowboy.

Ron King - May 05 at 09:27 PM



“ I only knew Ted for the last 3 years, but quickly came to respect and love him. I always looked forward to his singing and prayers at church, as they always came from the heart of a man who loved his Saviour. I know he is definitely with God, and helping out with whatever heavenly chores need to be done. God bless Ted and all his family.

Robert Landress - May 05 at 08:36 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ted J. Allen.



May 05 at 03:59 PM



“ I became friends with Ted through our church in Leonard. What a man of conviction, courage, love , honesty, and hugs for all. He could sing right into your heart. Ted was awesome. I was blessed to have known him. Nancy N.

Nancy N. Norick - May 05 at 10:59 AM



“ I have such great memories of Ted. Whether we were working or riding. He had such a huge heart for people and loved seeing them have a good time. He will surely be missed. Heaven just got a little sweeter.

Dana Day - May 05 at 09:41 AM



“ I moved to Leonard in 2017 and met Ted at our little church. I grew to love his sweet spirit, music and smile. I will miss this man of God. Melinda Williams

Melinda Williams - May 05 at 09:04 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ted J. Allen.



May 05 at 06:46 AM



“ Wonderful man & friend. Gary & I enjoyed his friendship. Now he gets to visit with Gary Ellis for an eternity. Save a spot for me, see you Cowboys soon..
Joy Ellis

Joy (Ellis) Sadler - May 04 at 07:57 PM



“ Ted
You will be missed by all, you and your family were so good to my family and countless others for so many years.
Dana Sue Gose

Dana Sue Gose - May 04 at 05:28 PM



“ Growing up and going to Allen Ranch were some of the best memories. Ted always made everyone feel so welcomed. He's legacy will live on.

Jeanette Conger - May 04 at 03:55 PM