



George L. Rogers

July 17, 1931 - February 10, 2015

George L. Rogers, 83, passed away February 10, 2015 at Freeman Hospital; Joplin, MO. George was born July 14, 1931 in Galesburg, MO to George W. and Lucile "Briscoe" Rogers. Both have preceded him in death. George graduated from Carthage with the class of 1948 and then attended Joplin Junior College for a year. Following high school George was employed for 10 years as a salesman and subsequent manager with A.Y. McDonald Mfg. of Joplin. In 1960 he moved to Bartlesville, Oklahoma where he owned and operated Elliott Rogers, Inc., for over 20 years which comprised Rogers Supply, Elliot Heating and Air Conditioning and Tuxedo Specialties and Investment. George decided to make a career change and by 1986 at the age of 55 he had completed his B.A. in social Work and Psychology and earned a Masters in Social Work from Oklahoma University. While attending school in Norman he managed The Willows Complex, an independent living center associated with the United Cerebral Palsy of Oklahoma. He was a longtime resident of Carthage after moving back to the area in 1990 to work as a clinical therapist for Willow Crest Hospital and Moccasin Bend Ranch Treatment Center in Miami. Ok and then for Heartland Hospital of Nevada, MO in their Joplin and Carthage clinics. Having obtained his licensure as a clinical social worker in 1993, George has been in private practice as a clinical therapist since 1994 first as owner of Carthage Family Counseling and currently as owner of Consultation Services in Carthage. He married Geneva Huercamp in 1951 in Carthage, MO, and from this union are two daughters

Mary Matthews and husband Jim of Tulsa, Virginia Christy and husband Mike of Vinita, two sons Thomas Rogers and wife Tricia of Vacaville, CA, and Weston Rogers and wife Lorinda of Richardson, Texas, six grandchildren, Jonathan Rogers, Vanessa Rogers, Kathryn Sutton, Charity Bardell, Rachel Christy and Hannah Christy and three great grandchildren. George was united in marriage to Cindy Meek September 24, 1994 in Miami, OK. She survives, also survived by his father in law Albert Meek. George had a heart for helping people. This attribute, along with his spirit of generosity and quick wit will be missed by many. The family will receive friends at BYKOTA church in Carthage on Saturday, February 28th at 10:30 am. A memorial service will follow at the church at 11:30 am. Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home. Online condolences can be made at www.ulmerfh.com. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to BYKOTA Children's Home, Phnom Penh, Cambodia in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ Hugs and warm friendship to you, Cindy, at this time of loss. I will miss Geoge's positive attitude, hospitality and his Sunday morning pancakes. My sympathies to all who loved him.

Debbie Ratzlaff - February 28, 2015 at 07:58 AM

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Debbie Ratzlaff - February 28, 2015 at 07:44 AM

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“ We really enjoyed our time with George and Cindy while visiting their home. George played a special role as "uncle" to my children in their teen years. His fun loving ways and generosity especially warmed our hearts. He will be greatly missed, but we look forward to seeing him again in eternity.

Rebecca Brown - February 26, 2015 at 05:07 PM

SG

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. George was such a wonderful, there was always laughter around him. He was constantly smiling and loved to bring the girls at the front desk treats. George told great stories, I will remember him and smile. Hugging you now Cindy.

Shawna Gannaway - February 25, 2015 at 05:25 PM

LB

“ George will be missed. My sympathy to the family.

Loa Borchert - February 24, 2015 at 06:41 PM