



Mr. Jack Wayne Hill

January 30, 1936 - October 6, 2023

Jack was born on January 30, 1936 in Wanette, Oklahoma to Jack Homer Hill & Gladys (Mathis) Hill. He graduated from Mustang High School in 1955. Jack began working for the Oklahoma City Fire Department in 1959, in his early twenties. He married Cleo and began a family, with the births of Jerry, Joyce and Dale. Though this relationship was not permanent, Jack and Cleo remained friends throughout their lives.

In about 1974, God caused Deana Storff to have car trouble near the fire station where Jack was working. He happened to be the lucky one who she approached for help. On October 24th 1975, he married the love of his life, Deana. They were married 47 years.

Jack retired from the Oklahoma City Fire Department in 1980. He owned a tractor and did various jobs like moving dirt and mowing with a brush hog. He later bought a small dump truck and began a dirt hauling business, with Deana by the phone taking orders. He also took on multiple odd jobs. He loved messing around in his shop with all his tools. Like most other good ol' country boys, he loved going out on his boat to bass fish or loading up his little camping trailer to go hunting with his brother Fred and other friends.

Jack did a lot for his kids and grandkids. With help from sons-in-law Raymond and Steven, he built a paddock and barn to house a few horses, complete

with hay, tack room and stalls. Because Karen and Steven lived so close to Mom and Jack, they were often at their home. Jack was a terrific dad and granddad to their families.

When he was resting in his big recliner, he would be sharpening his knives and watching an old Western or even sci-fi. He would be chewing on an ever-present toothpick and sipping iced tea.

He loved playing his guitar. Most of the time it was at home, just him singing and playing for Deana. But many times Fred, Richard Vandever or other friends would come over and they would play good old country and bluegrass for hours. Jack also played his guitar and sang hymns at his church, First Southern Baptist of Arcadia, where they were devout members for many years. Even in his last weeks, he played the guitar and sang at the rehab facility for Deana, kids and grandchildren. The nurses would come in and listen, also.

Jack loved playing dominoes, too. For several years he visited the Midwest City Senior center so he could play with the fellas all morning. He made several friends and enjoyed those days immensely. Lately, he had begun to teach his great-grandson how to play.

Even as his health was deteriorating, Jack kept a pretty good sense of humor. Rarely was the time that he got mad or belligerent. Whether it was home or the hospital, most of the time he would joke with his nurses or the aides. You could tell that the staff in these facilities liked him and appreciated him.

He is survived by his wife Deana Hill, his five children and their spouses, son Jerry Hill of Noble, Oklahoma, son Dale and Dee Hill of Cassville, Missouri, stepdaughter Vandy and Fred Evermon of Columbia, Missouri, stepdaughter Karen and Raymond Ross of Oklahoma City, stepson Steve and Loretta Storff

of Oklahoma City, and numerous grandkids and great grandchildren, and his brother Fred Hill of Edmond, Oklahoma.

Jack is preceded in death by his mother, father, daughter Joyce and granddaughter Crystal.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: BGCO, Attn: Disaster Relief
3800 N May Ave Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Or, donations may be made to help retired firefighters. Checks can be made out to ORFA or Oklahoma Retired Firefighters Association and mailed to 2716 NE 50th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111. In the memo field on the check they can write "In Memory of Jack W. Hill"

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **14**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Southern Baptist Church of Arcadia
605 N. Anderson Road
Arcadia, OK 73007

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“ *Blessings to the family.*”



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