



Clemente Felix Vargas

November 23, 1935 - December 14, 2015

Clemente Felix Vargas, 80, of Skiatook died Monday in Claremore.

Clem was born the son of Alfonso and Delores (Ruiz) Vargas on November 23, 1935, in Dewey, OK. He was raised and educated in Dewey, attending Dewey High School with the class of 1955. Throughout his school days Clem was proud to play football as a Dewey Bulldogger. He loved cars and was known for driving fast and low. Clem served in the U.S. Navy for eight years as an aviation mechanic aboard the USS Yorktown, a celebrated aircraft carrier which is now a museum ship and National Historic Landmark at Patriot's Point, South Carolina. While home on leave Clem was united in marriage with Retha Ann Spencer on January 5, 1961, and she joined him at balmy Imperial Beach, near San Diego, California, where they lived until his honorable discharge in 1964.

They moved back to Dewey for a short while before settling in Tulsa where Clem continued his calling to the aviation world, building a 27 year career with McDonnell Douglas. After his retirement in 1997, Clem and Retha Ann moved to Grove to live on the lake for about 10 years before relocating to Skiatook to be closer to their children. Clem and Retha enjoyed 54 years of blessed marriage - in Retha's own words "Clem was a wonderful man, and he chose to be a loving husband and father."

Clem was passionate about his family and enjoyed attending his children and grandchildren's sporting events and school activities. He loved to dance and listen to music, especially his version of rock 'n' roll. Through the years he opened his home to nieces and nephews who needed support and a little help. He loved his family and in turn, was loved by all who knew him.

Clem is survived by his loving wife Retha Ann of the home; five children, Christie Ann Taylor, Clemente Felix Vargas II and Carolyn, all of Skiatook, Curtis Geeding and Kelly of Kevil, KY, Jim Geeding and Pam of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and Christopher Geeding and Charlene of Hardinsburg, KY; two brothers, Louis Vargas and Esteban Vargas, both of Dewey; one sister Mary Maldonado and Vicente of Dewey; two grandchildren, Jacinta Heather Cannon and Trey Vargas, both of Skiatook; one great granddaughter Shelby Cannon of Skiatook; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held Thursday 10am - 8pm at the Davis Family Funeral Home, 918-534-3030, 113 S. Osage (Hwy. 75), Dewey. Rosary will be said Thursday at 7:15pm, in the Davis Family Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral mass will be held Friday at 2pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe. Interment will follow in the Dewey Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared with Clem's family at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

DEC 17. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Rosary

DEC 17. 7:15 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

DEC 18. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Service

DEC 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
400 W 9th St.
Dewey, OK 74029

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Marjorie Swanson lit a candle in memory of Clemente Felix Vargas*



Marjorie Swanson - December 17, 2015 at 09:16 PM

JH

“ *To Retha and Family. Just wanted you to know you and your Family is in our "Thoughts and Prayers" God Bless Jerry and Hazel Harvey.*

Jerry and Hazel Harvey - December 17, 2015 at 07:53 PM

ER

“ *Esther Martinez Vargas Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Clemente Felix Vargas*



Esther Martinez Vargas Rodriguez - December 17, 2015 at 07:38 AM

ER

“ *First of all, my fondest condolences to Uncle Clem's family. Even though he forgot them, they never forgot him. Uncle Clem was 8 years old when I was born and 6 when my oldest brother was born. For some reason, I can't remember those years! I remember going to his games, walking, with grandpa. That was a lot of fun! I loved you mucho Uncle Clem. I'll always remember the last time I saw you. I know you are with God and all your family that have left us.*

Esther Martinez Vargas Rodriguez - December 17, 2015 at 07:37 AM

LI

“ Prayers for the family and much love. I am sorry for your loss. May God be with you during this difficult time.

Lisa Reed

Lisa - December 16, 2015 at 09:12 PM

PE

“ Uncle Clem, what fun you were at Grand Lake, fishing or just hanging out. You were always so full of love and not afraid to show it. You were always the hit of the party when it came to the Mexican dances when she did your call of the wild. Love you and I'll miss you but I know you're in a better place!



peggy - December 16, 2015 at 05:43 PM

BE

“ Bev lit a candle in memory of Clemente Felix Vargas



bev - December 16, 2015 at 05:01 PM