



## Johnnie Gerald Brown

May 8, 1933 - February 11, 2017

Johnnie G. Brown, 83, of Ponca City, died Saturday in Tulsa.

Johnnie was born the son of L.C. and Dora Mae (Mynear) Brown on May 8, 1933 in Ralston, Ok. He was raised in Ralston and graduated from Ralston High School in 1951. Johnnie joined the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany during the Korean Conflict 1953-1955. Johnnie was involved with anti-aircraft artillery and received mechanic training during his time in the Army. He joined Phillips Petroleum Co. in Borger before transferring to Bartlesville in 1959. In 1985 he was transferred to Shidler in 1985 as shop foreman until his retirement in 1993. Johnnie was united in marriage with Bess Phelps on October 3, 1986 in Kaw City. They made their home in Ponca City and enjoyed 31 years together.

Johnnie was a carpenter and enjoyed rehabbing old homes for himself and family including his current home. He made furniture and loved collecting old tools and over the years built a very nice collection of hand planes. He was especially close to his son Todd and they enjoyed countless hours of antiquing together. Fishing and camping were favorite pastimes but most of all he loved to argue and Bess was just as capable as him in this skill.

Johnnie is survived by his loving wife Bess of the home, one stepdaughter Sheila Deavers of Ponca City, one sister Janis Wood and David of Ralston,

four grandchildren, Darcy Swanson and Brandon, Emily Brown, Tyler Brown and Elizabeth Brown and five great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, three loving children, Connie Brown, Kim Mitchell and Todd Brown and one brother Dub Brown.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 10-8 at the Davis Family Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2017, at the Ralston First Baptist Church in Ralston, Ok. Graveside services will be held on Thursday at 4 p.m. in the Dewey Cemetery, Dewey, Ok. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared with Johnnie's family at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

**Dewey Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB **15**. 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

### Graveside Service

FEB **16**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Dewey Cemetery

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Pat Jantz & Family and Ray Espinosa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Johnnie Gerald Brown.*



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**Pat Jantz & Family and Ray Espinosa** - February 14, 2017 at  
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