



Jack Stovall

December 3, 1925 - July 15, 2018

Jack Stovall, 92, of Altus, Oklahoma passed away July 15, 2018 in Lawton, Oklahoma. He was born on December 3, 1925, in Granite, Oklahoma to Jesse David and Blanche Stovall. He was the tenth of their twelve children. In 1943, he graduated from Granite High School where he played football and basketball. In January of 1944, he entered active duty with the United States Army and served with the 86th Infantry Division in the European Theater of Operations and the Philippines. He married Bernadine Jean Price of Lone Wolf, Oklahoma, on August 17, 1944.

Upon his discharge in 1946, he took up farming north of Lone Wolf, Oklahoma. After two years of farming, he decided to go back into the Army and re-enlisted in January of 1948. He served his country for 29 years and was a veteran of three wars: World War II, Korea, and Viet Nam.

LTC Stovall had a very unique military career as he served 17 years as a non-commissioned officer and 12 years as a commissioned officer. As a noncom, he served as the post Sergeant Major for Camp Deseret, Utah, served as the acting Sergeant Major of the Korean Military Advisory Group during the Korean War and he was the first E-9 to serve as the post Sergeant Major of Fort Sill, Oklahoma. His last active duty assignment as a non-commissioned officer was to serve as the Sergeant Major for United States Army Alaska — Fort Richardson, Alaska.

In 1955, as a Master Sergeant at Fort Sill, LTC Stovall enrolled in the old Correspondence 10 series courses and completed them in 1957. Upon

completion of the course, he was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Reserve while still serving as a non-commissioned officer on active duty. Upon promotion to Captain in the Army Reserve in 1962, he applied for active duty as a commissioned officer and on May 17, 1962, was sworn in as a Captain of the Adjutant General Corps.

During his active duty career, he took college classes at night and in 1970 under the Army's "bootstrap" program they sent him to college at OCLA (now USAO) where he graduated with his BS degree in Business Administration. LTC Stovall's last active duty assignment was as the Post Adjutant General at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He is the only person to serve at Fort Sill as both the Post Sergeant Major (1959-1961) and as the Post Adjutant General (1972-1974). He retired from the Army as a Lieutenant Colonel in May of 1974.

His awards and decorations include the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, 6 awards of the Good Conduct Medal, and the National Defense Medal, and the various campaign and service awards from World War II, Korea, and Viet Nam.

After retiring in 1974, he spent 15 years farming and raising quarter horses in Sterling, Oklahoma, and then moved back to Lone Wolf, Oklahoma, where he helped his neighbors in their farm operations. He also was a big fan of girls' basketball and was a big supporter of the programs at Sterling and Granite High Schools. He was a faithful member of The Church of Christ everywhere he lived and served as a deacon in numerous congregations.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jesse David and Blanche Stovall, by his eight brothers, Jesse Clarke, Bryan, John, Rex, George, Lester, Woodrow, and Donald (Porter), by his three sisters, Norma Gayle, Geraldine and Alta Lee and by his son, Jerry David Stovall Sr.

He is survived by his wife of 74 years, Bernadine Jean Stovall of 10 Oaks Assisted Living, Lawton, Ok, son, Larry Stovall and wife, Janie Stovall, of Poteau, OK, daughter, LaDonna Armstrong, and husband, Bill Armstrong of

Surprise, AZ, son Jack Stovall, Jr and wife, Linda Stovall, of Austin, TX and son, Jesse Stovall, and wife, Lori Stovall, of Altus, OK. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and numerous nephews and nieces. Services for Jack are scheduled for Wednesday, July 18, 2018 1:00 P.M. at the Tamarack Road Church of Christ in Altus with Ken Hamilton, Bill Coffin and Rawn Hart officiating. Interment will follow at Granite City Cemetery Granite, Oklahoma where the U.S. Army Honor Guard will perform graveside rites.

Public viewing for Jack will begin, Tuesday, July 17, 2018 1:00 P.M. till 8:00 P.M. with Family Receiving Friends from 6:00 P.M. till 8:00 P.M. at Peoples Cooperative Funeral Home located at 1400 West Main, Lone Wolf. 580-846-9018

On-line condolences can be made for Jack by visiting www.peoplescooperativefuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 17. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

People's Co-Operative Funeral Home
P.O. Box 146
1400 W. Main
Lone Wolf, OK 73655
(580) 846-9018
pcfhco@gmail.com

Visitation

JUL 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

JUL 18. 1:00 PM.

Tamarack Road Church of Christ
1000 E Tamarack Rd
Altus, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Stovall*

October 08, 2023 at 02:10 PM



“ *Jack Stovall*

October 04, 2023 at 11:28 PM



“ *Jack and Bernadine were the best “adopted” grandparents to my son, Ryan. They came to many of his basketball games. I think they enjoyed watching him play and Ryan was always so grateful when they came. Jack always had a smile on his face and was such a caring man. He will be greatly missed. We love you Grandpa Jack.*



Christie Rogers - July 18, 2018 at 09:17 PM



“ *My family and I will always be grateful for Jack's helping hand at the time of my son's passing in Texas. Jack was a major factor in getting Allen back home to us. May god be with his family at this time.*

Prayers

Lena Costner

Lena Costner - July 18, 2018 at 04:09 PM

BS

“ Jack greeted me at USARAL HQ at Fort Richardson, AK in October 1962. It was my first Army assignment and I was a green 2 LT. Jack and Bernadine took my wife and me under their wings. They were great mentors! We served together again at Fort Sill. Years later, following in Jack’s steps, my last active duty assignment was the Post Adjutant General at Fort Sill. Jack was a good man.

Blaine Smith - July 18, 2018 at 10:28 AM

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“ Bernadine, Jesse, and family. Condolences from the children of Tommy and Dru English. (Rhonda, Rock, Randy, Russell, Regan). We remember the Stovall family as church and neighborhood friends. Thinking of you as you gather to remember your husband and father.

Rhonda English - July 17, 2018 at 06:33 PM

MB

“ Jack will be missed. I was honored to know him and work for him (1974, AG Office, Ft Sill). We also enjoyed having him on Oklahoma Honor Flight #7 from Lawton in May 2012.

Mark Barker, CPT, Ret, Oklahoma Honor Flight Board

Mark Barker - July 17, 2018 at 04:31 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jack Stovall.



July 17, 2018 at 02:31 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Jack Stovall.*



July 17, 2018 at 11:23 AM



“ *David, Jill, Ronnie, Sheila Cribbs purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jack Stovall.*



David, Jill, Ronnie, Sheila Cribbs - July 17, 2018 at 10:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jack Stovall.*



July 16, 2018 at 08:44 PM