



Billy Harold Cummings

October 13, 1930 - April 30, 2022

Billy Harold Cummings, 91, passed away Saturday, April 30, at his son's home in Seminole County. He was born in Fish Creek community on October 13, 1930, to Owen and Mabel (Coleman) Cummings. He grew up in the Kinta area, graduating from Kinta High School in 1948. He then received his bachelor's degree at Northeastern State in Tahlequah before serving his country in the US Army in Korea. Upon returning from overseas, he began his teaching career, which took him to Lordsburg NM and Walsh CO, then back to Oklahoma at Fort Gibson and Kinta. He received his master's degree from Northeastern, became Superintendent of Kinta Schools in the 1964-65 school year, and earned his school administration certificate from the University of Arkansas. He remained at Kinta until 1978, then in 1981 he became the Superintendent at Panama for a few years before retiring to the ranch. He never lost his affection for Kinta Schools and came out of retirement to serve as administrator for a short time in his 70s. He raised cattle on the family ranch in Sans Bois until moving to Stigler in 2002. For many years, if he wasn't at the ranch or at the school, you could most likely find him telling stories with Frank Sloan at the Stigler Feed Mill or talking on the phone with Jack Reasnor.

Billy is survived by his wife of almost 64 years, Shirley (Fitzer) Cummings of the home; his sons Blake Cummings of Maud and David Cummings of Stigler; grandchildren Abigail Cummings of Seminole, Billy Peixotto of Seminole, and Paulette Vuong of Shawnee, six great grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families. He is preceded in death by his parents, Owen and Mabel Cummings, two sisters, Cora Hale and Alice Ellington, and two brothers, Troy Cummings and Robert L. (Jack) Cummings.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00, Friday, May 13 at the Antioch Baptist Church east of Stigler. Interment will be at a family gathering at a later date in Sans Bois Cemetery. Services are under the direction of King & Shearwood Funeral Home of Stigler.

Cemetery Details

Sans Bois Cemetery ~ Kinta

Previous Events

MEMORIAL SERVICE

MAY 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH
40022 S. COUNTY ROAD 4460
STIGLER, OK 74462
(918) 967-8556

Tribute Wall

SD

“ Sharon (Ford) Davis lit a candle in memory of Billy Harold Cummings



Sharon (Ford) Davis - May 10, 2022 at 08:06 PM

SD

“ Oh the man. He was definitely one of the good ones. He was a huge pillar to Kinta School and the entire town of Kinta and Haskell County. He was one of my favorite teacher, and the all time best Superintendent at Kinta School. I would visit him when Mom was in the nursing home at Stigler, he didn't remember me, but he still had that same smile and that twinkle in his eyes. Sending prayers to his wife Shirley and sons. Blake and David and the entire family.



Sharon (Ford) Davis - May 10, 2022 at 08:05 PM

JM

“ Condolences to the family. Mr Cummings was my Jr High Principal and Oklahoma History teacher in Ft Gibson. He made sure we knew the rivers, counties and county seats!! I loved coloring and filling in those maps! Repetition. I still know this 60+ years later. He was a great teacher! Thoughts and prayers for the family and friends. 🙏

Janice Huggins Mitchell - May 08, 2022 at 09:20 PM

PB

An amazing man & friend to our family.

Patricia J Nicholson Brunson - May 12, 2022 at 03:52 PM

RW

“ Bill always had a smile on his face and a joke ready to tell. He loved his life.

Renita West - May 07, 2022 at 04:47 PM

CB

“ My Uncle Billy was always the fun uncle who teased and made us laugh. He was the epitome of a "good guy" in every way! I distinctly remember as a kid, riding his horse, and it bucking this California girl right off. I marched home, stomping my feet, mad as a hornet, and uncle Billy was laughing his head off the whole way! That memory is just one of many that makes me laugh. As an old lady, he and I emailed and talked family history and genealogy and shared memories and I valued that. I've missed those electronically shared times since he was no longer able to email. I miss him and his big ready grin and self-deprecating humor...always pretending he was just "an ol country boy". In actuality, he was wise and knowing and kind and a truly good man. I loved him and I'll miss him, but I get comfort from picturing him with his siblings and parents, laughing and joking and delighted to be reunited.

My Uncle was lucky to be taken care of by his son and daughter in law. He couldn't have been in better, more loving hands. Bless them and bless Uncle Billy! The world is a lesser place with him gone.

Carol Hale Brock

Carol Brock - May 04, 2022 at 11:33 PM

BC

Dear Carol, my name is Billy Cummings, my father was William Floyd Cummings II, Billy was a first cousin of my dads. He would always mention Billy when he would talk about OK. I don't ever remember meeting Billy in person but did get to talk to him on the phone a few times. I was born and raised in Calif., Live in South Georgia now. I would love hearing from you and getting any family history you or anyone else would be willing to share. Email: antique_stuff@hotmail.com Ph: 912-501-2559 Add: Bill Cummings, 6645 US Hwy 441 N., Pearson, GA 31642

Billy Cummings - March 21, 2023 at 11:08 AM

RD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of loss. Blake your dad was such a Oklahoma History teacher. If the students at Kinta didn't get Bill as their teacher, they missed out. I still to this day can recite most of the counties of Oklahoma.

Ronn Doby - May 04, 2022 at 01:00 PM