



## James "Jim" Stahl Ely

December 19, 1926 - December 28, 2013

Ely, James S. "Jim", 87, passed away on Saturday, December 28, 2013 in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma. He was born in Hastings, Oklahoma on December 19, 1926, the son of Wheeler Myron and Mary (Borum) Ely. He graduated from Comanche High School in 1944 and served as a Merchant Marine during World War II. He married Imogene Hughes in 1946. They had five children: Darinda, Myron, Steve, Kevin and Karen. Imogene passed away in 1993 after 47 years of marriage. He later married Evelyn Randolph. Jim spent his life involved in many different business endeavors including cattle, real estate, oil, farming, and livestock auctions. He loved being an Oklahoman, the Dallas Cowboys, and playing dominoes. Most of all, he was a devoted and caring father and grandfather. He especially enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren play sports. When others spoke of Jim, they often said things like "he was one of a kind," or "there will never be another Jim." He loved deeply and generously and had the rare ability to put everyone he met at ease and brighten their day. He always kept a positive attitude and wanted others to do the same. It is fitting to close with one of his many famous sayings: "Everybody say Bye Jim!"

Surviving are Evelyn Randolph, his sons Myron (Debra) Ely, Steve (Liz) Ely, Kevin (Chanda) Ely, his daughter Karen (Shannon) Pool, sister Arlis Simmons, grandchildren Amber and Amie Ely and their mother Tina, James Morgan "John" Ely, Jacob Ely, and Sara and Gracie Pool, and numerous other family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents Wheeler and Mary Ely; wife Imogene Ely; daughter Darinda Ely; and sisters Margaret Hellander, Betty June Ely, and an infant sister. A memorial service and celebration of Jim's life will be held at Wooster Funeral Home in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma at 1 pm on January 2, 2014. Memorial contributions may be made to The Samaritans, Box 638, Pauls Valley, OK 73075.

# Previous Events

## Service

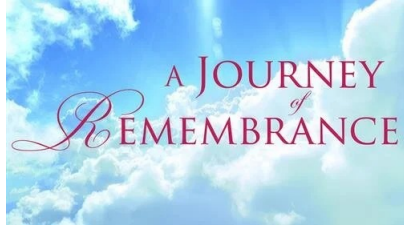
JAN 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home Chapel  
1601 S. Chickasaw  
Pauls Valley, Ok

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of James "Jim" Stahl Ely*



**Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - December 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *James "Jim" Stahl Ely*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *Gayle Hughes Edwards lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Stahl Ely*



**Gayle Hughes Edwards** - December 31, 2013 at 10:16 PM



*Haven't seen Uncle Jim in many of years but I remember how he always me feel so special as a little girl and always showed me love, have thought of you often over the years. Buried mother just a short 5 months ago so don't worry she will be waiting at heavens gate to give you a big ole hug and welcome you to the pearly gates and golden roads, what good times you will have catching up with all that walked before you. Always have my love, your niece Gayle*

**Gayle Hughes Edwards** - December 31, 2013 at 10:21 PM



*Many a Sunday was spent horseback riding with Jim and a large group down on Beaver Bottom in the 1940s Many fond memories.  
My best to Arlis and others of his family  
Bill Humphries  
Fbillandfran@aol.co*

**Bill Humphries** - January 04, 2014 at 04:13 PM

JC

“ Like they said, Jim was one of a kind. We were partners for a short time in the late nineties in developing Eastridge Country Estates up by Poali. He will be greatly missed. He always had a joke to tell or was ribbing someone about something they had done. He was a great friend. Jim Campbell



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**Jim Campbell** - December 30, 2013 at 01:54 PM

LV

We love you, Jim, and we will miss you very much, just as we still miss Imogene after all these years. You were a good brother-in-law and a one-of-a-kind person. God bless you, your children, your grandchildren, as well as all the family and friends who are left behind.

Lorene Hughes Vanzant  
520-883-6139  
5232 S. Saint Paul Place  
Tucson, AZ 85746

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**Lorene Vanzant** - December 31, 2013 at 11:00 AM

MA

Memories of my Uncle Jim are good ones. He always made you laugh. Even with his knuckle rubs on your head, when the tears were flowing you were laughing. He is the reason I had a passion for riding horses. I love you Uncle Jim, Forever and Always. You will always have a part of my heart. You will be missed very much.

Louann King McBee

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**Marcia** - December 31, 2013 at 07:30 PM