



Oatis P. Griffith

May 1, 1923 - January 20, 2021

Oatis P. Griffith, 97 of Springdale, passed away on January 20, 2021 at Willard Walker Hospice in Fayetteville. He was born May 1, 1923 in Harmon to Vester Griffith and Flora Collins Griffith.

Oatis owned and operated Oatis Body Shop in Springdale for many years. He served in the Army during World War II. He enjoyed traveling and fishing. He loved to whistle. He never met a stranger and truly treasured spending time with his family. He was a loving husband, father, and Pa.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his second wife, Wanda L. Griffith; siblings, Russell, Vernon, Ruth, Naomi, and Frieda; son-in-law, Leland Nease; grandson, John Nease, and great-grandson, Tyler Nease.

Survivors include his wife Gloria Griffith of the home; two sons, Raymond Lee Griffith and wife Josetté of Texas and Oatis Paskell Griffith Jr. and wife Kim of Centerton; one daughter, Carolyn Nease of Springdale; two stepsons, Donny Gaines and wife Cindy of Oklahoma and Ronnie Gaines and wife Mylisa of Oklahoma; one step-daughter, Twyla Gaines and wife Macklyn of Oklahoma; one sister, Lois Griffith of Springdale; six grandchildren, Kevin, Scott, Mark, Lindsay, Amy, and Shelby, and many great grandchildren.

Graveside service will take place on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 10 AM

at Elm Springs Cemetery in Elm Springs.

Visitation will take place on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 from 5 PM to 7 PM at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale.

Online condolences can be left at www.siscofuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Elm Springs Cemetery

101 Lawnview Lane
Springdale, AR 72762

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Oatis P. Griffith*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *Gloria and family our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time and in the coming days. Sending prayers, condolences and heartfelt love to Lois our special friend and neighbor. Dennis and Mary Isaac*

Dennis and Mary Isaac - January 26, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Oatis P. Griffith.*



January 26, 2021 at 01:22 PM



“ *Cindy Robinson purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Oatis P. Griffith.*



Cindy Robinson - January 25, 2021 at 01:57 PM



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Jon Tannehill - January 25, 2021 at 09:08 AM



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Jon Tannehill - January 25, 2021 at 09:05 AM

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“ *Becky (Tannehill) Dickard, Jon & Mary Tannehill purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Oatis P. Griffith.*



Becky (Tannehill) Dickard, Jon & Mary Tannehill - January 25, 2021 at 08:31 AM

BW

“ Otis was, indeed, a Springdale icon. My memories of the Griffith family go back as far as my childhood when Otis' dad, Vester, worked for my dad in a Harmon community produce business. Sending prayers, condolences and positive energy to all of the family, and sending special love to Lois, who was a special friend to my mom.
Bill Wright

Bill Wright - January 24, 2021 at 04:31 PM

DW

“ Good morning Paskell. I am sorry to hear about your dad's death. He had a long and full life. I really enjoyed working with you and him. I particularly liked to hear his stories. One in particular about when he was racing. He said that he heard that his engine was going to be inspected for a race and he was a bit out of limit. He said he slapped an old engine in it and ran the fastest he had ever run. Just fun.

Dean Whittle - January 24, 2021 at 10:05 AM

CW

“ Oatis owned the body shop close to the apartment that my daughter and I lived in. I had my car hit and when I got the insurance check I went to his shop to have it fixed. He repaired it and when I went to pick it up he told me that he had money left over, so for me to buy myself and Mother's Day gift (which was that weekend) as a single mother that was barely ,making ends meet it meant the world to me. I have told so many people over the years about his kindness. He was such a sweet man.

Cathy Weathers - January 23, 2021 at 11:08 PM