



Richard Ewing Oliver

October 12, 1934 - September 1, 2025

Richard Ewing Oliver, 90 of Ozark, Arkansas went home to be with the Lord, Monday, September 1, 2025 in Ozark, with his wife, daughter Anita and granddaughter Rebecca along by his side. He was born October 12, 1934 in LeRoy, Illinois to Ewing and Reba Hankins Oliver. Richard was of the Baptist faith. He was a United States Navy and Army Veteran, served in the Navy aboard the U.S.S Stoddard DD-566 and then finished his military career in the United States Army. His military career awarded him numerous medals and awards, one being a place of honor by Red Stone Arsenal for being the longest serving LAR. Upon retirement he was assigned to MICOM where he taught young GI's how to operate Pershing Missiles. He enjoyed playing softball for the military. Richard's military career did not deter him. He opened a Farm and Ranch business called REO's Tractor and Farm Equipment and was an auctioneer for many years. Richard loved his family, spending time with family, and watching his children and grandchildren play sports.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Ewing Oliver and Reba Rees; one brother, Jerry Oliver; and two sisters, Doris Davis and Janice Elliot.

Richard is survived by his wife of 69 years, Martha Sue Miles Oliver; two sons, Randall Oliver and wife Michaele of Ozark and Kelly Oliver and wife Teresa of Paris, Arkansas; and one daughter, Anita Williams of Marble Falls, Texas; one sister, Hazel Oliver of Pekin, Illinois; one brother, Ronnie Oliver of LeRoy,

Illinois; four grandchildren, Justin Lavender and wife Franchesea, Jessica Gass, Rebecca Willis, and Casey Brown and wife Allison; sixteen great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A military memorial service will be held at the Fort Smith National Cemetery at a later date. Cremation arrangements were made under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home in Ozark.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Fort Smith National Cemetery

522 Garland Street
Fort Smith, AR 72901

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear about Dick. I was not able to see him much over the years, I think the last time was at Jim & Jess in Tx. As I recall my brother Bill & Jane were there also. I also remember coming to visit when he was stationed in New Jersey, my son Dave was about 3 years old. I will let people know about the web site.

Larry Hankins - September 05, 2025 at 05:51 PM

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“ Great man! Honored to meet him, along with Sue & family. Thinking of you all.. Donna Ruston

Donna Ruston - September 04, 2025 at 02:48 PM