

Seneca, KS



Roy Ralph Bell, 88, of Seneca, KS passed away Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at his home. He was born January 21, 1931 in Goff, KS the son of Everton A. and Iva Hulda (Bariess) Bell.

Roy graduated from Goff High School in 1949. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He had served in the 45th Infantry Division as a machine gunner. He was a life member of the Goff American Legion Post #316, Seneca V.F.W. Post #7458 and the Combat Infantrymen's Association in Topeka. He was also a member of the Disabled American Veterans Chapter for 20 years.

Roy was a member of the Goff and Seneca United Methodist Churches. He had also been a Hunter's Safety Instructor, served as the first fire chief for the Goff Fire Department and had been on the Fairview Cemetery board in Goff since 1959.

He was a rural mail carrier for the United Postal Service for over 31 years. He was also the Post Master for 16 years and retired in 1986.

Roy was united in marriage to Patsy Irene Richard on May 16, 1954 in Goff, KS. They shared over 65 years of marriage.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughter, Cynthia Sue Bell; 3 brothers, Lawrence, Noble and Alvin Bell; his sister, Opal Adams and his great-grandson, Jared Peery.

Roy is survived by his wife, Patsy of the home; a son, Ricky Bell (Karen) of Cameron, MO; a daughter, Janet Stallbaumer (Jerry) of Seneca, KS; 2 brothers, Earl Bell (Elsie) of Seneca, KS and Gary Bell (Carolyn) of Holton, KS; 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 10:30 Saturday, January 4, 2020 at the Seneca United Methodist Church in Seneca. Burial with Military Honors will follow at the Fairview Cemetery in Goff. Family will greet friends from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Friday evening at the Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Memorials may be given to the Jackson Heights Honor Flight c/o Mercer Funeral Home P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. To leave a special message for the family, please visit

