



Lucian Bell Oden

March 5, 1930 - December 27, 2017

When you speak of God, Country, and Family; you will be speaking of Lucian Bell Oden.

Lifelong, he was dedicated to the service of his community and his fellow neighbor(s). He was born in Elgin, Texas, on March 5, 1930. By his high school years, he fell deeply in love with the strum of a guitar and never skipped a fret, afterwards. That same passion he had for music became his legacy that he passed down to his grandchildren.

After high school, he enlisted in the United States Air Force on June 2, 1948. He served until November 19, 1966, retiring with an honorable discharge. He was a proud veteran! Upon serving his country he met his yellow rose of Texas, Lillian Ruth Hill. They were happily married on December 16, 1950 till January 5, 2002 when Lillian was called home by The Lord.

After retiring from the Air Force, his ambition was education, receiving a Master's Degree of Education from Our Lady of the Lake University on May 26, 1968. He then proceeded to start his next career as a Texas Rehabilitation Counselor for 19 years retiring on April 30, 1987. He also was very involved with the Boy Scouts of America –a scouter and scout master to the end. He received great joy in mentoring and guiding young boys to the path of manhood.

In his retirement years he renewed his passion for cooking and also became an avid wildlife photographer. He enjoyed putting elaborate dinners together for his church, family and friends. Through his photography he became

involved with the Lipan Apache Tribe, where he quickly became an active member of the Tribe. For many years he opened his house to the Tribe to hold their church services. This has been a true gift and blessing to him and an event he eagerly awaited for each month.

Lucian joins his wife Lillian Ruth, his parents Samuel Bell Oden and Clara Elizabeth Henderson, his brothers Emil, Delk, and Charlie and his sisters Elaine Oden, Camilla Talbot Barnett, Beatrice Smith, and Marcille Deaver. Other living members of his family include his children Madgie and Ron; Ron's wife Lori, and their children- Rebecca Webb, Jacob and Daniel. Also many nieces and nephews.

He also left behind many "adopted children and grandchildren" as he called them.

Visitation will be Friday, December 29, 2017 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral Service will be on Saturday, December 30, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at Mission Park South. Entombment to follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

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Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Park

1701 Austin Highway
San Antonio, TX 78218

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC **30**. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Judy C. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Lucian Bell Oden.*



Judy C. - December 29, 2017 at 07:49 PM

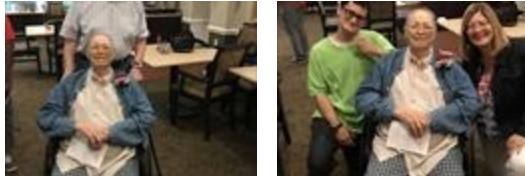
SK

“ *I always remember Uncle Oden cared so much about family and was always a fun and loving person. Uncle Oden - May GOD Bless Your Soul and may you rest in heaven with Our Lord. Love, Sherry Keller*

Sherry Keller - December 29, 2017 at 10:00 AM

LO

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Lori oden - December 29, 2017 at 08:26 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lucian Bell Oden.*



December 29, 2017 at 04:38 AM

HM

“ Howard and Maureen Marnan purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Lucian Bell Oden.



Howard and Maureen Marnan - December 28, 2017 at 08:51 PM

FH

“ From Norm, Jean & all the Hooges purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lucian Bell Oden.



From Norm, Jean & all the Hooges - December 28, 2017 at 08:10 PM

CS

“ Chris & Bob Schaefer purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Lucian Bell Oden.



Chris & Bob Schaefer - December 28, 2017 at 07:05 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - December 28, 2017 at 06:08 PM



“ Jerry, Diana & Caleb Webb purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Lucian Bell Oden.



Jerry, Diana & Caleb Webb - December 28, 2017 at 05:06 PM



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Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - December 28, 2017 at 04:04 PM