

# Curtis W. Richardson

March 26, 1930 – November 9, 2022

Curtis W. Richardson, 92, was born on March 26, 1930, to B.F. and Ethel Richardson in Stephens County (OK) and passed away in Stillwater, OK, on November 9, 2022. He graduated with an associate degree in agriculture from Cameron Junior College, Lawton, OK, in 1950 and a bachelor's degree in agriculture from Oklahoma A&M College in 1952. Curtis received a master's degree in dairy science from Oklahoma A&M College in 1953. After teaching stints at Eastern A&M College (Oklahoma) and Texas State University, he earned a Ph.D. in dairy science from the University of Missouri in 1960. He spent the remainder of his career at Oklahoma State University as a state extension dairy specialist in the Animal Science Department. During his career, he enjoyed working with farm families and the 4-H and FFA youth in Oklahoma. In 1992, he retired. Following retirement, he became active in the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Kiwanis, and delivered meals for Mobile Meals a number of years. In 1952, Curtis and Ila Mae Roton were married, and to this union, three daughters were born: Christia Suzanne, Sharon Kay, and Shelley Ann. In 1973, Curtis and Billie Millard Foster were married, and he became the step father of her three children. Curtis was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, and two grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Billie; his daughters, Susy Flaming (Richard), Tulsa; Sharon Robinson, Stillwater, and Shelley Lombardo (Mark), Tulsa. He is also survived by his three stepchildren: Charley Foster (Kim), Kauai, HI; Beth McLean (Bill), Stillwater; and Stephenie Foster (Marty Matlock), Fayetteville, AR, as well as by 14 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.