



## William Newman

November 1, 2017

Bill Newman, age 73 of Purcell, passed away Wednesday, November 1, 2017. William Jesse Newman was born April 13, 1944 in Purcell, OK, the 4th of 6 children born to Earl Redford Newman and Lou Eva (Rankin) Newman. He was raised in Purcell and attended Purcell schools, graduating in 1962. Bill was a proud patriot, a member of the United States Army and he served his country honorably during the Vietnam War. After the war, he returned home to Purcell where he again worked for Sparlin Pontiac Buick GMC. On November 30, 1984, Bill married his best friend and the absolute love of his life, Sam Brown. Bill served Purcell and the surrounding communities for nearly 30 years at Sparlin's dealership, both as mechanic and service manager, before opening his own place, "Bill's Automotive" in Lexington. He was well respected, very knowledgeable in a variety of subjects, and widely considered an "honest" man. Bill was really a jack of all trades and he greatly enjoyed just tinkering on stuff. He was an avid fisherman, although by his own account, not a busy one. He was a wonderful husband and father, grandfather, brother, uncle and a true friend. He will be dearly missed! He was preceded in death: His son, Jim John Newman; Grandson, Richie Finch; Parents, Earl and Lou Eva Newman and His sister, Sarah Jane Newman Hush. Bill is survived by: His wife, Sam of the home; Daughter, Nakia Birnie and husband Robbie of Okla. City, OK Sons, Jerry Thompson of Greenville, TX, Ricky Thompson of Commerce, TX, Scot Newman of Atoka, TN, Clint Newman and wife Jacqueline of Lewisville, TX and Kenny Thompson of Norman, OK;

Grandchildren, Zachary "ZP" Brown of Okla. City; Jordan, Jonathan and Jaylen Newman of Lewisville, TX and Cody Newman of Atoka, TN. Siblings, Sue Sparlin and David of Purcell, Betty Verduzco of Purcell, Jim Newman of Norman and Wanda Newman of California; Funeral Services are scheduled for 11:00 A.M. Thursday, November 9, 2017, at the Wilson-Little Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at the Hillside Cemetery. Send online condolences @ [wilsonlittle.com](http://wilsonlittle.com).