John W. Cannon March 19, 1927 - January 15, 2023

John Cannon of Tulsa went to his heavenly home on Sunday, January 15, 2023. He passed peacefully in the company of his wife of the past 15 years, Martha Meredith holding his hand. John was 95 and lived a great life. He was born March 19, 1927 in Seminole, Oklahoma. He served God and country. He joined the Navy at 17 and served in World War II. His destroyer ship was attacked and sunk by a Japanese submarine late in the war. Following the war, he enlisted in the reserves and was called to active duty again to serve our country in the Korean War. After the war, John married Gloria and they raised two children. He went to work for Southwestern Bell and worked for them till his retirement.

John is very proud of the fact that he hiked well over 8,000 miles. He hiked across America, Pacific to the Atlantic with HikaNation, California to Colorado, the Appalachian Trail, and parts of Europe. He did most of his hiking in his 60's and jumped out of a plane in his 80's. He was an avid water skier in his younger years and was quite the athlete at Webster High School. He was a wrestler and played football and was proud to say he was part of the State Championship football team.

After losing his first wife to cancer, he later met and married Martha Meredith. They felt very lucky to have a happy marriage of 15 years and considered each day together as a gift, and he loved her till the end of his days.

John is survived by his wife Martha, daughter Linda Teague (Jim Teague), son John Wilson Cannon, III, granddaughter Suzanne Wilson (Duane Wilson), and grandson Steve Simmons. He also leaves behind many loving stepchildren, step grandchildren, and two great step grandchildren.

Funeral services will be provided by Mark Griffith funeral home in west Tulsa. Viewing will be Wednesday, January 18 at the funeral home. Funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 19, at 1pm at Trinity Baptist Church in west Tulsa. Internment at Memorial Park Cemetery.

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