OBITUARY

Frank Long (1943-2026)

Frank Long, an 83-year-old lifelong Bluejacket and Oklahoma resident, passed away in Grove, Oklahoma, on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, surrounded by his family. He was born on January 16, 1943, in Blackwell, Oklahoma, to Everett F. and Gwyndolyn Thrysa (McVay) Long. Frank graduated with the class of 1961 from Bluejacket High School. He worked for BF Goodrich for years as a forklift mechanic; later, he owned his own forklift business in Miami before working for Miami Public Schools. Away from work, he enjoyed farming and ranching his land. He had a hobby of collecting and working on Minneapolis-Moline tractors. He would take them to antique tractor pulls, where he had many trophies to measure his success. He was the mayor of Bluejacket for ten years; he also served on the school board. He did enjoy Dove hunting and pheasant hunting when he was able. Frank will be remembered for his humor. One thing that he always told his grandchildren was "Love you! Even if you ain't no good!" Mr. Long is preceded in passing by his parents Everett and Gwyndolyn Long, a sister Verna Williams and two brothers Arnold Long and Max Long.

Those who will share Frank's memories are his wife Stephanie Long of the home, a daughter Sabre Dee Ancell and her husband Kevin, sons, Kelly Dean Long, and Stan Humble and his wife Heidi, a sister in law Shirley Long, along with his grandchildren Matthew Ancell and his wife Stacy, Christina Brown and her wife Kara, Kolby Long, Kelsey Vene and her husband Kyle, Jagger Humble, Cory Humble and Samuel Humble, also his great grandchildren, Zeek Ancell, Ciera Ancell, Ruger Ancell, Olive Ancell, Oliver Brown, Kerryn Long, Lincoln Vene and Emma Vene.

Services for Frank will be at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Welch, with Brother Leroy Orr officiating.

Honorary pallbearers will be Rick Cravens, Stan Humble, Cory Humble, Samuel Humble, Jagger Humble, Kyle Vene, Matthew Ansel, and Kelly Long.

Friends and family may share notes of encouragement by viewing Frank's Tribute Page at www.brown-winters.com.

OTTAWA COUNTY COURT REPORT

Marriages

Alec Chasen Schneickert and Kensy Michele Benda
Anthony Herron Mills and Mikayla Rose Brown
Patryk Sickels and Jessica Linn Coffel
Greyson Alexander Williams and Shayleah Abreyanna Mackenzie Cornog
Brandon Scott Stover and Kelli Lynn Huffman
David Alton Meyer and Samara Yvonne Hunter
Braxton Weldon Reece and Cristen Elizabeth Knight
Caden Mikell Moser and Alysha Kay Thompson
Nathaniel Adrian Turner and Gracee Faye Pritchett

Divorces

Carol Marie Benton vs. Charles Frank Benton
Toby M. Davis vs. Heather Sullivan
Shane Michael Friend vs. Melanie Gale Friend
Brentlee Wayne McBrien vs. Valerie Lynn McBrien
Kevin Douglas McCain vs. Rose Ann Munson
Cecilia Zepeda vs. Fernando Andres Zepeda

Protective Orders

Kassody K. Pruitt et al vs. Kanon Stewart Cox
Cynthia Louann Nelson vs. Mathew Nelson
Shantel Destiney Robinson vs. Kasey Ryan Vowels
Kali Lynne Whipple vs. Bradley Carl Whipple

Misdemeanors

State of Oklahoma vs. Clifton Casey Blaylock for domestic assault and battery in the presence of minor
State of Oklahoma vs. Nathaniel Sky Burney for domestic abuse – assault and battery
State of Oklahoma vs. Kennedy Dalrymple for fail to comply with compulsory insurance law
State of Oklahoma vs. Misty Dawn Hopkins for possession of imitation controlled dangerous substance
State of Oklahoma vs. Brandy D. Laughard for operate vehicle without a valid driver's license
State of Oklahoma vs. John McJunkins for driving without a valid driver's license
State of Oklahoma vs. Joseph Lee Rhodes for operate vehicle while driver's license under revocation
State of Oklahoma vs. Maddox G. Smith for driving without a valid driver's license
State of Oklahoma vs. Michelle Dawn Vanover for driving a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol
State of Oklahoma vs. Paula Nicole Willems for failure to carry insurance/security verification form
State of Oklahoma vs. Heath Woodrow Winstead for possession of controlled dangerous substance

Felonies

State of Oklahoma vs. Keri Chancellor for aggravated driving under the influence
State of Oklahoma vs. Caleb Ryan Desmond for driving under the influence – second and subsequent
State of Oklahoma vs. David Lee Kane for battery/assault and battery on police officer



The NEO Horse Judging Team with their individual and team awards after claiming champions at the APHA Horse IQ Junior College Championship.

NEO Horse Judging Team

The Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College Horse Judging Team earned top honors in Fort Worth, Texas, after being named the APHA Horse IQ Junior College Champions. NEO captured the overall championship while also earning Champion Reasons, Champion Halter, and Reserve Champion Performance honors.

Four NEO students finished among the top five individuals overall, led by Macyn Olson, who was named High Individual Overall. Olson also earned High Individual Halter, High Individual Reasons, and Reserve Individual Performance.

Kaylee Sells finished third overall, placing fifth in Halter, fourth in Performance, and third in Reasons. Bryleigh Colbert finished fourth overall while earning Reserve Individual Halter and fourth in Reasons. Keeley Brooks rounded out NEO's top five finishers, placing fifth overall.

"We are extremely proud of this group and the work they have put in to represent NEO at such a high level," said NEO Horse Judging Team Coach Hannah McLochlin. "We are thankful to APHA, NSBA, WCHA, and all the sponsors, officials, and organizations that made this event possible. We are also incredibly grateful to the former collegiate judging team members, including many NEO alumni, whose generosity helped provide scholarships for students competing at this event."

The results continue a strong fall season for the NEO Horse Judging Team as the group prepares for its next competition.

"It's a good day to be Norsemen," McLochlin said. "We are ready to hit the road next week and head to Ohio for the All-American Quarter Horse Congress. Row Norse Row."

Team Results

APHA Horse IQ Junior College Champions
Champion Reasons
Champion Halter
Reserve Champion Performance

Individual Results

Macyn Olson: High Individual Overall, High Individual Halter, High Individual Reasons

Reserve Individual Performance

Kaylee Sells: Third High Individual Overall, Fifth Halter, Fourth Performance, Third Reasons
Bryleigh Colbert: Fourth High Individual Overall, Reserve Halter, Fourth Reasons
Keeley Brooks: Fifth High Individual Overall

Ward 4 councilmember stepping down

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A member of the Miami City Council has announced that she is stepping down from her position in Ward 4. The decision was announced Tuesday evening at the board's regular meeting.

In Mayor Bless Parker's absence, Councilmember Brian Estep chaired the meeting where it was announced that Haleigh Barnes has stepped down from her position as a councilmember for Ward 4.

Estep said the council is going to miss her because she brought a lot of insight to the group, and that she is getting married and moving with her husband.

"We wish her the best while we look for a replacement," said Estep.

During staff reports, it was noted that the local sales tax is trending up for the year. In other matters, the council approved the claims list and the minutes of the Oct. 6 meeting.

LEGALS

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR
OTTAWA COUNTY
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STACEY RENEE HAYDEN, DECEASED.

**No. PB-2025-11
NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT AND PETITION FOR ORDER ALLOWING FINAL ACCOUNT, FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, FINAL DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION AND DISCHARGE**

Notice is hereby given that Diane S. Hayden, Administrator of the Estate of Stacey Renee Hayden, Deceased, having filed in this Court her *Final Account and Petition for Order Allowing Final Account, for Determination of Heirs, Final Decree of Distribution and Discharge*, the hearing of the same has been set by the Court on the 13 day of November, 2026, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., in Room 3 in the District Court in the Ottawa County Courthouse, 102 E. Central Ave., Miami, Oklahoma, and all persons interested in said Estate are notified to then and there appear and show cause, if they have any, why the said account should not be settled and allowed, the heirs of Stacey Renee Hayden, Deceased, determined, said Estate distributed, other matters raised in said Petition be determined, and the Administrator discharged after presentation to the Court of receipts and/or releases evidencing full compliance with all acts required of her under the final decree of distribution.

Dated this 20 day of October, 2026.

**/s/ R. Matt Whalen
JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT**

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Brian Brassfield, Purchasing Agent for the Miami Special Utility Authority, will receive sealed bids until 3:00 P.M. CST, on Thursday November 19, 2026, for the Miami Special Utility Authority Request for Sealed Bids for (RFB 26-76). All bids that have been duly received by the appropriate date and time will be opened in the Office of the Purchasing Agent, located at Miami City Hall, 129 5th Ave. NW, Miami, OK. Everyone is welcome to attend sealed bid opening.

RFB 26-76 REQUEST FOR BIDS For Fiber Optic Installation & Maintenance Project (RFB 26-76) The Miami Special Utility Authority (MSUA), located in Miami, Oklahoma requests bids from qualified Bidders to provide Fiber Optic Installation & Maintenance Project.

SMALL BUSINESS AND MINORITY BUSINESSES ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE A BID. ENVELOPES SHALL BE CLEARLY MARKED "SEALED BID" WITH THE BIDDERS NAME & APPROPRIATE SOLICITATION NUMBER (RFB 26-76) CLEARLY SHOWN ON FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE.

The Miami Special Utility Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Any bid received after the time set for the opening of bids shall not be considered by the awarding agency and shall be returned unopened to the bidder submitting same.

Full solicitation packets can be obtained by contacting the purchasing agent. They are also available on the city website at www.miamiok.gov.

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