



Clarence Olen Gattenby

January 10, 1931 - September 5, 2021

Clarence Olen Gattenby of Allen, Texas passed September 5, 2021 at the age of 90. He was born on January 10, 1931 to James Gilbert Gattenby and Ida Lucy (Riley) Gattenby in Pittsburg County, Oklahoma. Clarence served his country proudly in the United States Air Force during the Korean conflict. He married Margaret Jane (Randall) Gattenby on October 22, 1955 in McAlistier, Oklahoma. Clarence spent most of his career with Braniff Airlines as an airline mechanic. He loved music; especially playing the fiddle. Clarence was a member of Mary Immaculate Catholic Church in Farmers Branch, Texas. He later was a member of the Catholic Church in Terrell, Texas and in his last years of St. Jude Catholic Church in Allen. Clarence was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend.

He is survived by his son, Warren G. Gattenby and wife, Jacque of Farmers Branch, Texas; daughter, Lucinda Smola and husband, Don of Fairview, Texas; daughter, Elizabeth Cawley and Maury Cureton of Wylie, Texas; son, Randall Gattenby and wife, Debbie of Allen, Texas; grandchildren, Lorna Diss, Carin Avila, Danielle Howie, Rachel Gattenby, and Elaine Gattenby; five great-grandchildren; numerous other loving family members and friends.

Clarence was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret Gattenby; parents, James and Ida Gattenby; three sisters, and six brothers.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Monday, September 20, 2021, at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas 75013. The service will also be live streamed at [TJMfuneral.com](https://celebrationoflife.tv/blog/clarence-olen-gattenby) on Clarence's obituary page by clicking on the following link: <https://celebrationoflife.tv/blog/clarence-olen-gattenby>. The recorded live stream will be available for viewing at the same link location.

A graveside service with military honors will be held at 1:15 p.m., Monday, September 20, 2021 at Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas, Texas 75211.

Family and friends are invited to Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home at their convenience on Sunday, September

19, 2021 to pay their respects and to sign the register book.

Memorial contributions may be made in Clarence's honor to St. Jude Catholic Church, 1515 North Greenville Avenue, Allen, Texas 75002.

Memorials

Olen was always a favorite of mine and his music influences me to this day- have to admit my reason for taking up the violin in 5th grade was that I wanted to play the Fiddle like Olen. I did not, however, want to play the way the Orchestra teacher proposed! Two of my favorite song request of him were: "Pistol Packing Momma" and "Corina Corina" (my playlist version today is Eric Clapton's "Alberta Alberta") Olen could play any instrument set before him- and play it well! I'm sure he now has a Golden Fiddle that he is playing with his Family and Friends in Heaven! "The Circle will Not Be Broken" Loved Olen & Jane- childhood constants!

CINDY CHAMBLISS SENTEMENTES, SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

I am so very sorry to hear of Olen's passing. He holds a special place in my memory for all the time I have known him - probably close to 60 years! Sending my regards to all of you. Charlotte

CHARLOTTE CHAMBLISS, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Uncle Olen was always very special to me and I have so many fond memories of our family times together. He and my father were only 1 month apart and my Dad thought the world of Olen. He lived a wonderful life and we will all miss him very much

ALLEN HADDEN, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

I'll always remember the hours of music we played together at Robbers Cave.

Such great memories.

JOE GATTENBY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

Family Owned Since 1945

Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow is the premier provider of funeral services in North Texas, with funeral homes located throughout the area, three beautiful memorial parks, an on-site crematory, and two highly respected floral shops. We are a locally owned family business that has served North Texas for over 70 years. Families who visit us receive the highest quality of professionalism and service, with compassion and care that are unsurpassed.

Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow. The choice for generations—past, present and future.

TJMMcKinney / Allen / Plano TFSC#:193

TJMCelina TFSC#: 2448

TJMFrisco TFSC#: 2449

TJMLeonard TFSC#: 3457

TJMGunter TFSC#: 3490

TJMWhitewright TFSC#: 3707

Hurst's Fielder-Baker TFSC#: 4107

Mullican-Little TFSC#: 4388

RW Owens & Son TFSC#: 4453

Meador Whitesboro TFSC#: 4456

Meador Gainesville TFSC#: 4457