

Clayton Vaughn Olds Obituary

Clayton Vaughn Olds was born on September 28, 1932 to Arthur and Lottie Dodge Olds in Toquerville, Utah. He graduated peacefully from this life on New Year's Day surrounded by his loving wife and family. Clayton was the sixth of eight children.



Clayton loved growing up in Toquerville where he had many friends. Clayton always said that he was partially raised by his oldest brother Clark and his uncle, Lyman Dodge.

Clayton served 18 months in Okinawa, Japan. He became engaged to Sue Stirling before leaving for Okinawa and after arriving home on Christmas Eve 1954, he and Sue were married on January 20, 1955, in the St George LDS Temple. Clayton and Sue have four children: LaMar, Pam, Tim, and Cheri.

Clayton attended the Branch Agricultural College which later became known as SUSC where he graduated with a teaching degree. Clayton taught school for 30 years while spending the summers working as a mechanic, a cat operator, a cement and dump truck driver among other things.

Clayton was always known as a strict teacher but many former students have said that he was their favorite. What student could forget the three-legged chair?

Clayton was in the Lions Club where he was instrumental in putting in the Little League fields in Hurricane. He was President of the West Zion Little League for seven years. He was a Hurricane City Councilman for four years, and a Power Board member for six years.

Clayton retired at the age of 53 and he and Sue spent many enjoyable days up at the family cabin. He also enjoyed Dutch Oven cooking, riding four wheelers and his side by side, the deer hunt and he and Sue have probably fed half the county at one point in time or another.

Clayton was a spiritual man who loved the Lord and served Him in many ways throughout his life. He served as Stake Clerk, and Ward Clerk, a Deacons Quorum Advisor, Stake MIA President, High Councilman and in the Hurricane 3rd Ward Bishopric. He was always willing to help when you needed help.

Clayton was a great Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Brother, Neighbor and Friend and was admired by many for the way he lived his life.

Clayton is survived by his wife, Sue of Hurricane; children: LaMar (Jim) San Diego, CA; Pam (Don) Johnson of Hurricane; Tim (Diane) Olds of Washington; and Cheri of Hurricane. Eight Grandchildren and 13 Great Grandchildren. Siblings: Wayne Olds; Lloyd Olds; Valene Norton, and Patty Ann (Berdell) Henrie. He is preceded in death by his parents, siblings: Clark and Mona Olds; Lois and Rudy Iverson; Thelma and Jack Scholzen, sisters in law: Darlene Olds, and Myrna Olds

Clayton was adamant that the only services he wanted was a graveside service. We will honor his wishes by have a Graveside Service with Military Honors on Wednesday January 4th, 2017 at 12:00 at the Hurricane City Cemetery.