



Clyde Douglas Willis

March 27, 1931 - January 2, 2021

Clyde Douglas Willis, 89 of 68 Old Montgomery Road, Milton, NC, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, January 2, 2021 at Parham Doctor's Hospital, Richmond, Virginia. He had been in declining health for the past six months.

Clyde was born in Caswell County, NC in the Estelle Community on March 27, 1931, a son of the late Willard Warner Willis and Eugie Brandon Willis. He had worked for Imperial Tobacco Company for many years in Richmond Virginia as a bookkeeper prior to moving back to Caswell County. He later worked for the Danville Golf Club as a bookkeeper until his retirement. Clyde also served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict.

Clyde was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon, choir member and past Sunday School Teacher. He played the piano and loved to do paintings. Clyde was also a wonderful cook.

Clyde is survived by nephews, Jeff Surface (Donna) of Milton, NC, Billy Willis of Milton, NC and Wayne Willis (Alice) of Winston-Salem, NC., great niece Hannah Lambert (Zach), great nephews Nathan Surface (Beth) and Chris Dailey (April).

Clyde was predeceased by three brothers and four sisters.

A graveside service for Clyde will be conducted on Monday, January 4, 2021 at 2 p.m. at Shiloh Baptist Church, 1760 Yarborough Mill Road, Milton, NC with the Rev. Wayne Willis and Rev. Rusty Oliver.

The family would like to wish a special thank you to Caswell County Home Health Care for the care and love given to Mr. Willis and his family during this time.

Wrenn-Yeatts Yanceyville Chapel is respectfully serving the Willis family.

Cemetery Details

Shiloh Baptist Church Cemetery

1760 Yarborough Mill Road
Milton, VA 27305

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MF

“ I am deeply saddened to hear about the loss of my friend, and your beloved family member, Clyde. But I am comforted to feel that he is at peace. We met 30 years ago through my dear cousin (more like a sister), Beth Eller, and her mother, Muriel Saul (my second mother), of Danville. I am a professional musician (a graduate of Juilliard now living in New York City) who, as a child, spent summers with my grandmother in Danville. Beth and I grew up together, and I would go back to visit whenever I could. Spending time with Clyde was always on the agenda. He was working at the golf club when we met and, with his warm and welcoming nature, we quickly became friends. He and his sister shared stories about the love of music, and fun, that had filled their house throughout their lives, and I happily joined in. I sent Clyde music for Christmas, and played for him when Beth and I visited. He was a gentleman through and through, generous to a fault, and loved to laugh. A man after my own heart.

Miles Fusco - January 03, 2021 at 11:32 PM

BP

“ I'm so sorry for the family's loss of Clyde. He was such a nice, nice person and always seemed to have such a zest for life as I remember him. He had a unique chuckle when he laughed and it was surely contagious. I have fond memories
Of Clyde . 🙏
Prayers to your family.

beth powell - January 03, 2021 at 09:35 PM

AP

“ So sorry for this family's loss. I remember Clyde from the mid 70's and many years after when I attended Shiloh Church and became good friends with so many special people there. Clyde was always so kind to me. My thoughts and prayers for all the family.

Alice Smith Perkins

Alice Smith Perkins - January 03, 2021 at 08:10 PM

ST

“ Prayers for the Willis family.

Sandra Vernon Tyre - January 03, 2021 at 08:09 PM

JR

“ Clyde had a wonderful voice for singing. He sang with Betty at Shiloh Baptist Church and they both sang in the choir with Carolyn and Kathleen playing piano and organ. Back in the day ... and I truly miss those days and those people. Condolences to his family.

Jackie Ransdell - January 03, 2021 at 07:24 PM