



Clyde Cossey

December 22, 1926 - March 13, 2020

Clyde Cossey, 93, passed away on Friday, March 13th, 2020, in Chickasha, OK. He was born on December 22, 1926, in the mountains of Smyrna, Arkansas, near Russellville, Arkansas. When Clyde was 9 months old, his family moved to Oklahoma. The first school he attended was a little country school near Oney called Foster School. His family rented land from the man the school was named after. He later attended school at Fort Cobb, Washita, and Gracemont. During that time it was customary to walk to school. Clyde walked 1 mile to Foster, 2 miles to Fort Cobb, 1 1/2 miles to Washita, and 1 mile to Gracemont schools. At the age of 9, Clyde started working in the fields and milking the cows, and enjoyed fishing and swimming in Deep Creek. He also set traps along the creek and sold hides. Summertime was spent going for a dip in the swimming hole, going to bed with the window open with a south breeze, and playing under the blackjack trees. Much fun was had, but there was also a lot of hard work with his 8 brothers and 4 sisters: Ullis, Olen, Anna, Lula, Arlie, Onnie, Denver, Granville, Ines, Wilma, Jimmy, and Ruby. When he turned 18 he joined the U.S. Navy. He married Alton Joy Beaty on July 13, 1949, in Anadarko, OK. They moved to California on July 18, 1949, and returned to Anadarko in June of 1962 with their three children, Phyllis, Sherry, and Donnie. While living in Anadarko, he worked a variety of jobs. His last several years of working were at the Anadarko Cleaners, which he and Alton owned and ran until his retirement. After retirement, he could be found tinkering in his shed or building a fire in his firepit. One of Clyde's greatest

passions was his church, Anadarko First Assembly of God. He served as a deacon and a Sunday School Superintendent there for many years. He drove the bus for the church's bus ministry for countless years. Alton preceded him in death on August 20, 2011. He was also preceded in death by most of his siblings, his son, Donnie Cossey, as well as his sons-in-law, Gary McGhghy and Lindell Warren. He is survived by his sister, Wilma Bondy; his daughters, Phyllis Warren and Sherry McGhghy; his grandchildren and their families: Melody and Randy Coleman, Dwayne and Candy McGhghy, Jennifer and Brad Cromwell, David and Yolanda McGhghy, Candice and John Mullins, Lynna and Ron Norvell, Jamon Cossey, Steven and Angela McGhghy; two sisters-in-law, Deloris and Lorene Beaty; and a host of nieces and nephews. Clyde will be remembered for his love for God, his family, and his church.

Funeral Services: 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, March 17th, 2020 First Assembly of God Church, Anadarko, OK
Officiating: Rev. Eugene Howeth, David McGhghy and Dwayne McGhghy
Burial will be in Memory Lane Cemetery, Anadarko, OK
The family is asking that there be no fresh flowers at the funeral; plants and silk flowers are fine. Donations can be made to Anadarko First Assembly of God Church Bus Ministry in memory of Clyde Cossey.
Services under the direction of Smith Funeral Home, Anadarko, OK
Messages of condolences may be sent to the family at: www.smithfuneralservices.com

Tribute Wall

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“ It saddens me to hear about the passing of Uncle Clyde. He was one of the kindest & sincere man I have ever known. I will never forget about the day he saved Stubby from the neighbors huge dog with just a frying pan. He & his family helped me thru one of the toughest times of my life. I loved him & that family more than words can say. God Bless you Sherry & Phyllis & your families. I pray you all can find some comfort in these last few days. My love to you all and your families..
Cousin Danny Cossey



Kathy Cossey - March 16, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ R.I.P. Mr. Cossey!!! My Love & Prayers Go Out To Your Family!!!

Bill Reedy - March 16, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are so very sorry to hear of our wonderful Uncle Clyde's passing. All of us here in Michigan send our sincere thoughts and prayers to Sherry, Phyllis, and all the family. May the good Lord wrap His loving arms around all of you and bring you comfort during this time.
Aunt Wilma, Angie, Sonny, Betsy, and Brenda Bondy



Angela Bondy - March 15, 2020 at 12:00 AM