



Clyde L. Hiatt

November 28, 1935 - October 28, 2019

Clyde LaDoyte Hiatt, 83, of Fayetteville, AR, loving father and doting Granddad, passed away peacefully on Monday, October 28, 2019 in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Clyde, better known as Pidgie to his friends, was born in Charleston, Arkansas on November 28, 1935 to H. Clyde Hiatt and Eula Yearnton Hiatt. His parents and his siblings Paul Hiatt, Lucille Hiatt Phillips, and Bill Hiatt preceded him in death. Clyde is survived by his bride of 61 years, Loretta Barnard Hiatt of Fayetteville; one son, Clyde L. Hiatt, II "Lad" (Dana) of Goshen, AR; one daughter, Lorrie Hiatt Hall (Doug) of Littleton, CO; five grandchildren, Logan (Taylor) Hiatt, Chandler Hiatt, Madison Hiatt, Navy Hall, and Zoe Hall. Two brothers, Joe Hiatt and Don Hiatt both of Charleston, and several nieces and nephews, also survive him.

Clyde was the Executive Vice President of American State Bank for 30 years. He is credited with opening a branch location in Altus, Arkansas which he ran until he opened a real estate division for the bank. Upon his retirement from American State Bank, Clyde moved to Fayetteville, AR with his family to open his own ERA Real Estate office. Clyde also started Heritage Real Estate School, which highlighted his lifelong passion for teaching and learning.

During his years at the bank, Clyde was an active member of the Charleston Jaycees. He was President of the Board of Directors for Franklin County Learning Center. During his tenure, the school raised money to build their own facility.

Clyde was an entrepreneur with a love for planes and classic automobiles. For a time during the late 1980's, he owned an ultralight aircraft manufacturing facility in northern Ozark. Over the years, he enjoyed tinkering and building aircraft such as hang gliders and a gyrocopter. In his retirement years, Clyde and Loretta enjoyed traveling with their fifth wheel travel trailer. As he brought his traveling to a close, they bought a 1956 T-Bird that Clyde worked on daily. He kept the car in excellent condition and enjoying taking it to local

car shows where he won numerous awards.

Memorials: The family respectfully request in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made for research to cure Parkinson's. Donations can be made to ParkinsonHope.org.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, 10:00 a.m., at Oak Cemetery, 1401 S. Greenwood Ave., Fort Smith under the direction of Nelson Berna Funeral Home, Fayetteville, AR. Pallbearers will be Lad Hiatt, Chandler Hiatt, Doug Hall, Zoe Hall, Clay Hiatt, and Kenneth Leding. Honorary Pallbearers will be Logan Hiatt, Navy Hall, and Madison Hiatt.

Cemetery

Oak Cemetery

Fort Smith, AR,

Events

NOV **Graveside** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Over 50 years ago Pidgie and I organized a weekend at a resort in Hot Springs, Arkansas and invited my brother Max Miller and his wife Helen, Jackie Shumate and his wife, Dickie Shumate and his wife, Pidgie and Lorretta Hiatt. We had a great time talking about our younger lives growing up in Charleston, Arkansas. Pidgie told the story about Peggy and I visiting in their home on Hiatt hill in Charleston. We had walked through the pasture to the barn and fence that I hit with Pidgie's sled when it had snow hard one year. On the way back to the house, Pidgie looked down at my shoes and said, "you cut your foot" I said no I didn't. Pidgie informed me that I had stepped in a cow patty, that's what he meant by cutting my foot. We had a great laugh about that at the time and every time we met again or talked on the phone Pidgie always reminded me of cutting my foot. Pidgie was a year and two days older than me and we sort of celebrated together. We played a lot of baseball and football on that open property next to the Hiatt family home where eventually Joe and Margie built a beautiful home. To this day I can remember Clyde Hiatt sitting on the front steps off their home surrounded by his sons along with Max and myself. Mrs Hiatt took the picture one Sunday after church. I also remember all those trips to the Ranch and riding on the hay wagon. Very fond memories of Pidgie and growing up together. Rest in peace Pidgie, you will never be forgotten.
Paul L Miller

Paul Miller - October 31 at 02:13 PM



“ Our friend, neighbor, adopted family member... you will be missed. Our hearts ache. God bless all those left behind. We will see you again... Love, Jimbo, DeeDee, Brianna (Peanut), Anthony, Whitney, Hadley and Henry Harder.

D. Harder - October 30 at 01:37 PM



“ Losing a loved one is one of the most difficult times of life. So celebrate the beauty of a life well lived, cherish the love given and be thankful for the time together. Love Red

Cliff Doss - October 30 at 01:23 PM



“ Will miss his smile and conversation at walmart pharmacy. I will miss him. Prayers to family and Mrs Hiatt. Love, Jennifer

Jennifer - October 29 at 05:40 PM