



Clifton Leon Gregory

December 17, 1947 - April 5, 2017

"Every day's a holiday".

Have you ever heard him say that? It was his motto, you know. That's him. A celebrator of life. Every. Single. Day.

Clifton Leon Gregory, age 69, of Hattiesville, Arkansas, was called home on Wednesday, April 5, 2017. Cliff was born December 17, 1947 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He served as an MP in the United States Air Force and was a Vietnam Veteran. Cliff was a member of First Freewill Baptist Church in Jacksonville and spent the last two years attending New Life Church in Russellville. He played various roles throughout his more than 30 year career for the United States Postal Service. Cliff was a member of Little Rock Roadrunners, Arkansas Pikes Peak Marathon Society, and Vietnam Security Police Association.

Cliff was a devoted husband of 45 years that deeply loved his Mary Lynn, his DLW, with all his heart. Mary ALWAYS knew; that she was loved, and she was cherished. It was apparent to everyone that Cliff adored Mary. He was the perfect dad. Strong yet gentle. Fiercely protective. The kind that all dad's should be and that all kids want. Matt and Ashley truly feel that way anyway. For the past 14 years, he's also been known as Pops; devoted to and thoroughly crazy about his grandkids Tag and Dru. They were his pride and joy.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Masingill Gregory of Hattievilleville; daughter, Ashley Robinson (fiancé Bennet Lifland) of Russellville; son, Clifton Matthew Gregory (Jill) of Little Rock; grandson, Tag Robinson of Russellville; granddaughter, Dru Robinson of Russellville; brother, Bill Gregory (Marilyn) of Austin; sister, Lenora Shearer Pyland of Cabot; and three step sisters, Dathel Balch (Bob) of Florida, Mara Dean Jarret of Jacksonville, and Janet Matlock of Fort Smith. He was preceded in death by his daddy, Earnest Clifton Gregory; mother, Leona Gregory Shearer, dad, Preston Shearer; brother. Danny Shearer; granny; grandma; grandpa; maw maw; and paw paw.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, April 10, at the Harris Chapel with Pastor Mark Pagley officiating. Burial will be at Old Hickory by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Family will receive friends 5:00-7:00 p.m. Sunday, April 9, at the funeral home. Pallbearers will be David Clark, Danny Hardcastle, Tag Robinson, Terry Hall, Larry Fleming, Bill Motta, Al Gerard, Jim Conrad, and Art Perkins. Memorials may be made to the Old Hickory Cemetery Fund.

Tribute Wall



“ *Clifton Leon Gregory*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Prayers to the family. Love and strength to u mary lynn*

carrie cook - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Mary and family. We have lost a good friend and Brother Veteran. Cliff will be dearly missed and forever be remembered.*

James Costello - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM



“ *Mary and Family Sending loving prayer to you and your family at this time of sorrow. May you find comfort in the memories of times you shared with Cliff. Our hearts breaks for you. Robert and Jack Smith*

Roberta Smith - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM



“ *Cliff was a man of men. Loved life, family and his red Chevy pickup. Had a grin etched in his face who loved to run and chase the wind. I knew him from Jacksonville and he made you feel special with a smile, quick joke and his warm personality. A heart of a champion and Christian man. GOD SPEED in your wind chase buddy!*

william smith - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

BC

“ Just heard today - so shocked and saddened to hear. He was a great man and I loved him. Prayers for Mary, Ashley, Matt and family. May he rest in the Eternal Light & Glory of Our Savior Jesus Christ.

Bill Carpenter - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

KL

“ I was looking forward to meeting Clifton and becoming a friend, and new family member.

Kenneth Lifland - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

JF

“ Mary, I am so sorry for your loss. Sounds like your husband was a wonderful man and devoted to you and your family. I know he will really be missed. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Janis Breazeale Falleur - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

TK

“ I'm so sorry for your lost. It is a sad time for all of us, but when I read Cliff's obituary it reminded me of what a great and fun loving guy he was. I'm so glad we got to work with each other our last few years at the USPS. Every work day was truly a HOLIDAY working with Cliff. I'm just sorry that my health didn't allow us to do more together after retirement. Cliff and I would kid and joke all day but we would also talk about our families. Ashley and Matt he was proud and always spoke highly of both you. Ashley he even shared those good cookies you us to give him. Matt he gave me a picture of your dog Bishop. Mary he did love and adore you. We would try to outdo each other with wife stories (all good, not bad). So in Cliff fashion instead of Mary and Carla we talked about Marla. His eyes would twinkle when he talked about his grand kids. His family was his Pride and Joy. I still carry my pride and joy card in my wallet. I was lucky to know him.

Tom Kelley - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

GP

“ He was greatly loved, always had a smile for you, a great man to know in this life, but he is singing with the angels now, and will be missed God bless you Mary for you two were a beautiful couple.

Gladys Popso - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

BE

“ I was a coworker with Cliff for most of those 30+ years at the P.O. , but more than that, me was a good friend and a joy to be around at work and away. He will be missed.

Buddy Emerson - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

KP

“ Mary-I was so sorry to learn of Cliff's passing, his loyal friendship with my brother Tony was a true blessing to him. God Bless You

Kelli Priest - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

JV

“ I have the fondest memories of my cousin "Leon" as we have always known him. Always had a big smile and willing to engage with us younger rug rats! He touched a lot of lives with his smile.

John V - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM

EG

“ Mary, so sad and shocked at the passing of Cliff. Enjoyed talking to Cliff and you about the past and genealogy. Thinking of you and your family. Eric Gregory

Eric Gregory - June 29, 2018 at 05:56 PM