



Clayborn Earl Hill

January 18, 1937 - May 9, 2019

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Clayborn Earl Hill, 82, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Thursday afternoon, May 9, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Clayborn was born on January 18, 1937 in Stokes County to the late Charles H. and Lula Fry Hill. He was a member of Bethel Baptist Church, and also a member of the Walnut Cove Masonic Lodge. He was retired from LA Long Company and served his country proudly in the United States Air Force.

In addition to his parents, Clayborn is preceded in death by 2 brothers, Bailey and Don Hill.

He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley Joyce Hill of the home; daughter, Lisa Downing and husband Michael; 3 step children, Vance Bullins and wife Tonya, Sarah Pruitt and husband Darryl, and William Bullins; 2 grandchildren, Alexandra and Gabrielle; 4 step grandchildren, Jesse, Jacob, Tyler, and Harly; 2 sisters, Doris Tuttle and Yvonne Knuath; and 2 brothers, Carl and Richard Hill.

There will be a 3:00 pm funeral service held on Sunday, May 12, 2019 at the Burroughs Chapel with Pastor Junior Stevens and Pastor Keith Heitman officiating. Burial will follow at Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery with military honors.

The family will receive friends Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 6:00-8:00pm at Burroughs Funeral Home, and other times at the home.

Memorials may be made to Community Home Care and Hospice, 1308 Davie Ave, Statesville NC, 28677.

Online condolences may be made at www.burroughsfuneralhome.com.

Burroughs Funeral Home of Walnut Cove is serving the Hill family.

Cemetery

Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery

3063 NC Highway 8 South
Walnut Cove, NC, 27052

Events

MAY 11 **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

Burroughs Funeral Home
1382 Highway 65 W, Walnut Cove, NC, US,
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MAY 12 **Funeral Service** 03:00PM

Burroughs Chapel
1382 HWY 65 WEST, Walnut Cove, NC, US,
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Comments



“ I feel privileged to have had the opportunity to not only meet, but also provide care to Clayborn for the last +/- 6 months.

I have worked in the home health field for 18 years. I've cared for many many people and have interacted with that many families. I've dealt with some very sad family situations and some very happy, positive and sweet family situations. I'm so happy to say that this family is one of the happy experiences that I've been involved in!

From the beginning, I noticed the love and support that Clayborn had from his and Shirley's family together. (Shirley, her children and grandchildren, along with her cousins)(Unfortunately, many of the families that I've been involved with are not like that) I was in their beautiful home every day through the week and sometimes on weekends. When I left to go home in the afternoons, Clayborn had the care, support and love from Shirley and her youngest son. From someone who has done this type of work for 18 years, that's a hard job! It was such a beautiful thing to be a part of! Every morning when I came in, Clayborn was happy, smiling and usually telling something funny and he would just laugh and laugh. Every single morning he would come to the living room to have breakfast and watch his Westerns. That was his favorite thing to do! I'm not sure how many (probably hundreds) movies they had downloaded for him! And breakfast! That was his favorite meal. And it was always a huge breakfast that he looked forward to every single morning. Christmas was great for him. I believe that was his favorite holiday! I came over that morning to get him up and dressed and in his chair. He spent the whole day with Shirley, her 2 sons and her daughter and grandchildren. He talked about that day for the longest time. On Clayborn's Birthday, Shirley set up a surprise birthday party. It was so much fun and he really enjoyed himself (I have some pictures, maybe I can post one here). Valentine's Day came and what happened next made me cry. He was watching tv in the living room. There was mention of Valentine's Day on the tv. He asked me about it and I told him, yes, Valentine's Day is tomorrow. He kinda held his head down and was obviously sad. He said that every year he goes out and gets Shirley a card, candy and a bear and he was heartbroken because he wasn't able to do that this year. Then he asked me if I could go for him. Of course!!! So, the next morning I brought it to him. He put it all in a box and hid it until they were finished with breakfast (they ate at the same time together). He motioned me over to him and asked if I could get everyone together. I did. When Shirley opened the box she cried like a baby. She definitely wasn't expecting anything! I have some really great memories of even just the little amount of time that I got to be involved with this family. I have pictures where Clayborn and Shirley done the cute little pictures using Snapchat filters. It was just something fun and Clayborn thought it was so cute.

When the family is providing care as much as they were, it's important to get some breaks here and there. Not them. Shirley set an alarm every morning, even though I was there to completely care for Clayborn. I would tell her to go- go do something for yourself or anything to just get out of the house. She wouldn't. Other than going to get medication or groceries, which a lot of times her son done, she wouldn't leave Clayborn's side. If I came on Sunday morning, she would go to church. She always

made sure Clayborn had everything he needed and everything he wanted. It was the sweetest thing to watch. They had the type of relationship that I think most people want.

I will keep this family in my prayers as they have just lost such an amazing person. These family members are people who spent every single possible moment with Clayborn. They based their entire schedule, life and plans around Clayborn and his care. That's a lot of commitment from them. I know for sure just a few things: Clayborn was loved, Clayborn was cared for, above and beyond what most do, and I know without a doubt in my mind that the last 6 months of Clayborn's life (and a whole lot longer than that according to the things he has told me) he was happy! And I hope that knowing what a great job they have done, how much love that was shown and how happy Clayborn was, gives the family some comfort in their time of loss.

Thank you all for letting me be a part of your lives.
Courtney Gibson



Courtney Gibson - May 17 at 09:56 AM



“ Thank you Courtney for your comforting words . Love you

shirley Hill - May 19 at 04:18 PM