



Mr. David Clayton

September 9, 2019

Gordon David Clayton, 81, passed away Monday, September 9, 2019. He is preceded in death by his parents, John T. and Margaret Clayton; his loving wife of 58 years, Elizabeth "Libby" Clayton; and brother, John Bob Clayton. Left to cherish his memory are his sons, John G. Clayton and wife, Brenda, J. Neal Clayton and wife, Amber; daughter, Deborah "Debbie" Clayton Lee; sister-in-law, Nita Clayton; grandchildren, Christen Clayton Beckham and husband, Kelly, Zachary G. Clayton and wife, Gracey, Dakota and Dylan Lee, Madison, Max, Macy and Mia Clayton; great grandchildren, William, Leo, Jack, Shepard, Charlie, David and one more on the way; and a host of other family, dear friends, and employees.

David proudly served his country in the United States Navy. He and Libby met while he was stationed at Port Isabel Naval Air Station in South Texas. Upon his discharge from the Navy he attended Gupton Jones Mortuary School in Dallas Texas where he became a licensed Funeral Director and Embalmer. He maintained his license for more than 60 years. David set the bar for professional standards in the funeral service industry. If you ever worked for him, you either learned these high standards or you were not around for long. David was a successful business owner of Anderson-Clayton Bros. Funeral Homes for many years. After selling the company to Stewart Enterprises, he served as the Division President for the Southwest Region for many years until his retirement.

David enjoyed investing and studying the stock market. He always made sure to keep up with current events and followed politics on his beloved FOX News. David and Libby loved traveling all over the world and often brought extended family and sometimes friends along on these great adventures. David was kind and generous throughout his life.

He would never ask you to do anything that he wouldn't do himself. David had a strong moral compass and always chose to do the right thing. One of his favorite sayings was "always remain above reproach". He was a man of strong faith and always was a great example to everyone who knew him. David was affectionately known to all his grandkids and great grandkids as "Papa". He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in David's honor to the charity of your choice. No flowers, please.

The visitation for David will be held Thursday, September 12, 2019 from 5:00 until 8:00 pm at Clayton Funeral Home, 5530 W. Broadway, Pearland, Texas 77581.

The funeral service will take place Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 10:00 am at Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations, 642 N. Rockwall Avenue, Terrell, Texas 75160. Interment will follow at Oakland Memorial Park in Terrell, Texas.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Memorial Park

1000 W. Moore Avenue
Terrell, TX 75160

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Clayton Funeral Home Pearland
5530 W. Broadway
Pearland, TX 77581

Funeral Service

SEP **14.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel
642 N. Rockwall Ave.
Terrell, TX 75160

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. David Clayton*

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *My mother, Shirley Anderson worked for Mr. Clayton. She loved the job at the location on Military Parkway. She was, I believe, the secretary at that time. 80's ish. I remember Mr. Clayton seemed larger than life to me at that time. Always jovial and never in a bad mood. That I saw anyway. Lol. He always made my mother feel at ease and would let her assist in preparations sometimes when short-handed.*

I will continue praying for the family and hope you find some peace in knowing he is at rest now. Thank you for treating my mother so well. She preceded him in 2016, as well as her 2 sons in 2010 and 2015.

Lori Anderson-McCain - October 02, 2019 at 04:25 PM



“ *Mr. Clayton gave me my first job in Funeral Service. That was 38 years ago and I will forever be grateful. I hope the family is transitioning well through their loss.*

Wayne Roberson - September 26, 2019 at 04:01 PM

MF

“ *Mark DeSimone and family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. David Clayton.*



Mark DeSimone and family - September 13, 2019 at 03:16 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. David Clayton.*



September 13, 2019 at 04:56 AM

JW

“ *Jim Yvonne Wynne sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. David Clayton*



Jim Yvonne Wynne - September 12, 2019 at 05:55 PM

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“ *Fred Toler @ family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Mr. David Clayton.*



Fred Toler @ family - September 10, 2019 at 11:04 AM