Clifford McNeer Archer

January 6, 1921 - March 4, 2019

Clifford McNeer Archer, age 98, passed away on Monday, March 4, 2019 surrounded by love. He was born in Mooresville to the late Earl Archer and Effie Stutts Archer.

On November 24, 1951 he married the love of his life, Geneva Christie Archer. They shared an incredible 61 years of marriage before she passed away in 2012. Their example of love and devotion was a heavenly gift to their children. Mr. Archer attended Davidson High School.

Clifford was born into a farm family in southern Iredell County near Davidson. Plowing with his mule, Kate, he and his brother cultivated fields of cotton. Late summer and throughout Autumn and Winter were seasons for picking cotton, hand-sawing and splitting firewood to sell to Davidson residents and Davidson College. Maintaining the farm has been manifested by his enduring love throughout the years.

During World War II Clifford graciously performed extra hours without complaint to the Bethlehem Shipyard in Baltimore, Maryland. He proudly performed his Class "A" welding skills to rapidly construct ships built to transport weaponry to the American Allies in Europe. He received praise and accolades for his tireless dedication.

Throughout the Mooresville and Davidson area, his name came to represent dedication, integrity, and sincerity. With the encouragement of many he realized his particular niche-serving others with honesty and helpfulness.

So, in 1949, he bought his first service station on Main Street in Davidson. Almost overnight local police and Highway Patrol officers befriended him, visiting him and his employees daily. In July 1955 Clifford purchased his first wrecker truck, a 1947 Chevrolet equipped with a Holmes wrecker rig.

Without pride and with his farmboy humility, Clifford Archer discovered his niche, and from that Archer's Wrecker Service has grown and prospered. Clifford's work ethic grew hand-in-hand with his love for towing and recovery. He quickly discovered his gratification and pleasure in working with Police Departments and motorists in need. His humility never permitted him to overcharge for his towing. When a call came in he was ready to go, often times taking his wife and children with him!

Most importantly, Clifford Archer, loved his family. He celebrated his wife with unwavering love. He loved his siblings. He loved his children, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a man to be admired and remembered.

Mr. Archer is survived by his children, Frankie Archer and wife, Cindy of Mooresville; daughter, Vicki Archer Childers and husband, Tom of Cornelius; granddaughter, Erika Archer Hammons and husband, Scott of Statesville; great-granddaughter, Kaitlyn Hammons and great-grandson, Keithan Hammons both of Statesville; sisters, Virginia Childress, and Ruth Barnette, husband S.M; and sister-in-law, Helen Christie; numerous nieces and nephews; and his loyal K-9 companion, Charlie.

In addition to his wife, Geneva, Mr. Archer was preceded in death by his

grandson, Adam, (Vicki's son); son-in-law, Bob Campbell; brother, U.L Archer, sisters, Iralee Gryder, Margaret Ewart, Ethel Johnson, Gladys Meadows, and Wilma Hardy.

The Archer family extends tremendous gratitude to Hospice & Palliative Care of Iredell County for their compassion and care.

Memorials may be given to Hospice & Palliative Care of Iredell County, 2347 Simonton Road, Statesville, NC 28625 or to Davidson Lands Conservancy, PO Box 1952, Davidson, NC 28036.

Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:00 PM at Berea Baptist Church in Mooresville, NC on Saturday, March 9, Rev. Ralph Sparrow officiating. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 12:30-1:45PM. Interment will be in the Church Cemetery.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Archer family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Berea Baptist Church

1015 River Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28117

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

MAR **9**. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Berea Baptist Church
1015 River Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28117

Funeral Service

MAR **9**. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Berea Baptist Church
1015 River Hwy
Mooresville, NC 28117

Graveside Service

MAR **9**. 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM (ET)

Berea Baptist Church Cemetery
1015 River Hwy,
Mooresville, NC 28117

Tribute Wall

Clifford McNeer Archer

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM

Clifford McNeer Archer

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM

Clifford McNeer Archer

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM

PW

Patricia Waters lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Patricia Waters - October 28, 2020 at 05:20 PM

PW

I sure miss Uncle Clifford. He was such a funny, great uncle.

Patricia Waters - October 28, 2020 at 05:21 PM

MA

Marshall And Amy lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Marshall and Amy - March 12, 2019 at 10:11 AM

SP

Sheila Christy Pope lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Sheila Christy Pope - March 09, 2019 at 07:30 AM

Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clifford McNeer Archer.

March 08, 2019 at 08:45 PM

SW

yall will be in our thoughts and prayers , sharon & Tom White

sharon white - March 08, 2019 at 04:11 PM

Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clifford McNeer Archer.

March 08, 2019 at 02:26 PM

Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clifford McNeer Archer.

March 08, 2019 at 01:03 PM

SS

S & R Wrecker Service lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

S & R Wrecker Service - March 07, 2019 at 12:52 PM

MM

In 1967, I was hired by Davidson Police Dept. Joe Walley was Chief Of Police then.

Many a night, in fact, almost every night, summer or winter, Joe and I would have to go by Clifford's and have a coke or pack of peanuts, and sit by the stove and lie to whoever was there.
Always like Clifford and never ran onto anyone that did not.
I was there in Davidson for about a year. but, will always remember Clifford, Chief Joe, and the Town of Davidson, and Mayor Jackson, that gave me my first opportunity in road law enforcement.

God rest you Cliff !!

Mike Moore - March 06, 2019 at 10:03 PM

KK

Sorry for your loss Frankie and I can't tell you all the memories I have of working with you and Cliff. He was a good man . Ken Keller & Family

Ken Keller - March 06, 2019 at 04:34 PM

DF

Doug And Paula Fuller lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Doug and Paula Fuller - March 06, 2019 at 02:59 PM

LH

Frankie I am so sorry for your loss. I know you are heart broken. Prayers for you in the coming days. Lisa Hicks

Lisa Hicks - March 06, 2019 at 11:58 AM

BK

Becky Kurley lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Becky Kurley - March 06, 2019 at 08:39 AM

CS

Chaplain Delores Spielman lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Chaplain Delores Spielman - March 05, 2019 at 08:33 PM

Robin Moore Howard lit a candle in memory of Clifford McNeer Archer

Robin Moore Howard - March 05, 2019 at 06:07 PM

PC

Prayers for your family at this difficult time.

pat clontz - March 18, 2019 at 08:49 PM