



## Clifford Ray Cowan

September 29, 1936 - October 27, 2024

Clifford (Cliff) R. Cowan, of Claremore, OK passed away on Sunday October 27, 2024. He was born on September 29, 1936, in Bartlesville, OK, to Clifford L. and Doris (Lowry) Cowan.

Cliff grew up primarily in Bartlesville, where he played baseball and basketball, and obtained the status of Eagle Scout. He graduated from Bartlesville College High School in 1954. His early employment included the opening season at Kiddie Park and training greyhounds at the local track. Later he worked for Bartlesville Stationery, then owned a Christian bookstore downtown. Cliff married Donna Willcox of Pawhuska on May 12, 1957. They had two children: Vicki and Rhonda. Cliff began working at Phillips Petroleum in 1960. He was transferred with Phillips to the Denver area two times and back to Bartlesville before transferring to Richardson, TX. where he worked for the Phillips Coal Co. division, retiring in 1998 as a Lease & Title Analyst. Following his retirement, Cliff and Donna moved to Cape Fair, MO, where they greatly enjoyed hosting many of the friends they met throughout their lives.

Cliff and Donna were devoted Christians and active members in church wherever they lived. Cliff was an active participant and organizer of missions construction and ministry trips to Honduras, Panama, Chile, Belgium, Paraguay, Guatemala, Ecuador and the Hopi Reservation in central Arizona. Within the church he served as a Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent,

and as a Deacon at many of the churches he attended. Cliff's interests; hunting, fishing, and later in life, golfing. For many years he played and coached church softball and basketball teams. He also officiated for other softball leagues. He was a lifelong fan of the St. Louis Cardinals, and fan of the Denver Broncos, Nuggets, Texas Rangers and OKC Thunder.

Cliff was preceded in death by his parents, wife Donna, sister Gloria Pratt, and son-in-law Ken Baldwin. He is survived by daughter Vicki Baldwin of Claremore, daughter Rhonda (Bob) Mead of Nixa, MO, grandsons Kyle (Mandy) Baldwin of Claremore, and Kurt Baldwin of Skiatook, great grandchildren Connor, Emmett, Annie, Ellie and Kenna, brother Sherrill (Joyce) Cowan of Bartlesville, sister Jan (Lawrence) Wilkie of Bartlesville, brother-in-law Jim Pratt of Bartlesville, and many nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank Brookdale Claremore Assisted Living & Memory Care and Elara Caring hospice for their wonderful care and attention

Donations can be made to: Edgewater Community Church, P.O. Box 283, Cape Fair, MO 65624 or Gideons International or Builders International.org.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 2pm, Thursday, November 7th at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Walker Brown Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home and Crematory Walker-Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## **Pawhuska Cemetery**

600 W 11th St  
Pawhuska, OK 74056

# Previous Events

## **Celebration Of Life Service**

NOV 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel  
4201 Nowata Rd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Clifford Ray Cowan*



Davis Family Funeral Home - November 07, 2024 at 04:18 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Clifford Ray Cowan.*



November 06, 2024 at 08:12 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Clifford Ray Cowan.*

November 06, 2024 at 08:12 PM

LJ

“ I have many wonderful memories of Cliff. He was my softball coach, a leader in our church, and a great family friend. What impressed me most about Cliff was his devotion to the Lord and to his family. You quickly knew that he adored his wife, daughters, and his extended family. People often say someone was a "good man", but Cliff truly was. His kindness, sense of humor, and decency highlight a life well lived. Heaven is richer for his presence there. Cowan family, you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Love you all!

Lynette Jenkins - November 04, 2024 at 06:29 PM

SS

“ Steve Simmons purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Clifford Ray Cowan.



Steve Simmons - November 04, 2024 at 03:02 PM

MP

“ Cliff was one of the kindest, most caring people I ever knew. Our families were friends for decades and I always remember Cliff had a smile, a laugh, and a kind word for everyone. He left a beautiful legacy in his family and left a light in this world that will never go out.

Marjorie Panter - November 03, 2024 at 04:21 PM

DB

“ I personally did not know Mr Cowan, but I do know Jan and Lawrence Wilkie and also Gloria Pratt (RIP) and her husband Jim. We went to church together for years. I am so sorry for your loss and I pray God comfort you with His Peace & Love. Debbie Boeder

Debbie Boeder - November 01, 2024 at 01:05 PM