



Wayne Cline

August 10, 1935 - July 14, 2020

Wayne Lewis Cline, 84, Topeka, passed away July 14, 2020, at Aldersgate Village, Topeka.

Wayne was born August 10, 1935, to Lewis and Florence Cline in Neodesha, Kansas. He was active in 4-H, FFA, High School Sports, American Legion Baseball and graduated Fredonia High School in 1953. Wayne married the love of his life, Twila Joan Fortner on June 27, 1954. They moved to Topeka in 1965 so Wayne could begin his lifelong and full-time career with the Kansas Army National Guard. He eventually became the State Aviation Officer and reached the rank of Colonel. After retirement, he fulfilled his continuing desire to fly as a substitute pilot of the Kansas Governor's plane. Wayne was an active member of Highland Heights Christian Church, The Capitol City Barbershop Chorus, and volunteered at the Kansas National Guard Museum.

Wayne is preceded in death by his wife, Twila; survived by three children, Lynda Marie Inchaustegui (Pedro), Debora Joan Buser (Gerald), and Steven Wayne Cline (Lisa); eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and siblings, Elva Mae Boicourt, and Larry Cline (Norma).

Wayne will "fly in state" from 4 to 6 p.m. on Friday, July 17, 2020, with service to follow at 6 p.m. at Highland Heights Christian Church, 2930 SE Tecumseh Road, Topeka KS 66542. Graveside service will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 18, 2020, in Fredonia City Cemetery, Fredonia, Kansas.

Memorial contributions may be made to Highland Heights Christian Church or Topeka Rescue Mission, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Cemetery

Events

Fredonia City Cemetery

South Cement Road

Fredonia, KS, 66736

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Lying in State

04:00PM - 06:00PM

Highland Heights Christian Church

2930 SE Tecumseh Road, Tecumseh, KS, US, 66542

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Funeral Service

06:00PM

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Graveside Service

10:30AM

Fredonia City Cemetery

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Comments



“ Lynda, Debbie, and Steve, my mom told me about your dad’s passing. I am so sorry to hear. I lost my dad in January, and know how hard that is. Prayers and thoughts are with you.

Gay (Zahourek) Keyes

Gay Keyes - July 28 at 04:30 PM



“ It was an honor to care for Wayne. He made me laugh often. RIP FLY HIGH



Tabbi - July 22 at 09:48 PM



“ So very sorry for the loss to the Cline family of Wayne. I know he and Twila are reunited in joy and God's love. I hope to see them again one day as they were always so kind to me and patient too. A strong man who built a wonderful family Wayne will be missed by all who knew him. To the Cline family please know you are in my prayers! Terry A. Bonnett

Terry Bonnett - July 18 at 12:33 PM



“ Although Wayne was my cousin, he always felt like an Uncle instead. When we lived in Kansas (now in Oregon), our family always loved to visit their family farm. Wayne had a love for planes and a few years ago, my husband and I had the privilege of Wayne and Twila, and cousin Alva May (his sister) and her husband, Bill flying to Oregon to spend a week with his cousins. It was a wonderful time to get reacquainted with him. We took him to see the Spruce Goose plane in a museum about 30 miles from our home. He was like a child with a new toy when he actually got in the plane and set in the pilot seat. Those memories and many more will always help us as when Wayne enters our hearts once again. He is with his Lord and his wonderful wife, Twila. We in Oregon will miss him very much.

Linda and husband, Ken Kleczynski

Cousin, Linda Kleczynski - July 17 at 07:48 PM



“ I had the privilege of being the Clines' pastor for 8 years (1977-1985), though in truth they were often my family's pastoral support as well. Wayne was kind, gentle, incredibly faithful, and immensely proud of his family. We were so happy to reconnect with him after we returned to Topeka in 2007. We miss him ... but are glad he and Twila are reunited. Rest in God, dear friend! -- Paxton and Janie Jones

Paxton Jones - July 17 at 06:15 PM



“ Wayne (and Twila) were such caring and loving people. We were so blessed to have them as part of our church family at Highland Heights. Wayne always knew just what to say, and how to bring people together. He was a shining example of Christ's love. He had a very special place in our hearts! Reva and Walt Wywadis, and Doris Williams

Reva Wywadis - July 17 at 06:00 PM



“ We are keeping you all in our prayers as it is hard to lose your loved one on this earth. Then again it is a joy to know that we will all see him again! I, Judy, will always think of how much he loved the Lord and was truly never ashamed to say so! What an example he set for so many! I think of the verse , The fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much! His prayers at the many get togethers were so good to hear! His smile infectious! Love you all. This is a picture of Wayne this past Christmas. I, Richard, want to say Wayne was a great brother-in-law and I am glad I have known him my whole life. He will be greatly missed. Judy and Richard Fortner



Judith Fortner - July 17 at 04:35 PM



“ My husband Fritz and I got to know and enjoy Wayne at Highland Heights Christian Church, especially during Apologetics classes. We really loved hearing his contributions to the class and he is greatly missed. Due to the Covid19 problems we will not be able to make the funeral.
Elaine and Fritz Kroh

Elaine Kroh - July 17 at 03:55 PM



“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Wayne. He was a wonderful friend and co-worker in the National Guard. We had lots of pleasant visits and great memories during the 60 some years that we were acquainted. He will be missed by all of his many friends in the National Guard.
Dale Johnston

Dale Johnston - July 17 at 03:42 PM



“ Olathe Police Department Investigations Division purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Wayne Cline.



Olathe Police Department Investigations Division - July 17 at 10:25 AM



“ Debbie, Steve and family. We were sorry to see of your Fathers passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dave & Marcia Herrman

Dave Herrman - July 17 at 09:22 AM



“ So sorry of your loss. Wayne always had a smile on his face everyday. Now Wayne is flying high on the Lord's army. Wayne will be missed by very many. He touch so many lives. from ann (Fortner)Lorenzo.

Ann Lorenzo - July 17 at 08:12 AM



“ We will miss Wayne. Always enjoyed the stay with he and Twila as a stopover. God bless you all, we will miss the service

Leroy and Alice Fortner

LEROY FORTNER - July 17 at 07:43 AM



“ Wayne was a great guy in so many ways. I had the privilege of singing with him in a quartet for awhile. He was good-natured, caring, strong and gentle, unpretentiously intelligent, wise and humble. That combination of character qualities is rare in one person, such as I wish were mine to the same degree. I have no doubt that others had the same impression of Wayne as I did. The picture featured here reminds me of Wayne's infectious smile. The Apostle Paul wrote, "We are saved in hope," because physical death is an enemy yet to be destroyed. Thus, while Wayne has passed into the "better-by-far"-presence of Christ, you who remain experience the irreplaceable loss of a good father, a beloved brother, and favorite grand or great-grand dad. It would not be so, were he not so upright, gracious, and playfully-wise. May God comfort you with the many good memories you have of him. -- John Gould

John - July 16 at 09:29 PM



“ Sorry for your loss! Such sad news! He always had a smile!! Fond memories of him on 28th st.! I remember as a child, I would admire him when he must have been getting home from work. He wore his green flight suit, looking so sharp! Kathy Kearns

Kathy Kearns - July 16 at 08:06 PM



“ Steve sorry for your loss!! You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers!! I remember Wayne and his crew flying in and landing at Tecumseh South Elementary School when we were in Elementary School.

Dale A Bonjour - July 17 at 12:45 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wayne Cline.



July 16 at 02:37 PM



“ My dear cousin Wayne was always so uplifting to be around and I will miss him and Twila so much, a very special couple that God blessed us all with. I have lots of fond memories visiting Wayne and the Cline family, precious Uncle Lewis and Aunt Florence, cousins Larry and Elva Mae on their farm south of Fredonia many years back, and will always cherish those memories. I wish blessings upon all of the family and Lynda, Debbie and Steve, may the peace of your parents together again be

comforting to you. Love you all, Catherine Cline Flemming

Catherine Flemming - July 16 at 02:16 PM



“ Lisa's City of Lenexa Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Wayne Cline.



Lisa's City of Lenexa Team - July 16 at 01:10 PM



“ Lynde, Debbie, Steve: Sorry to hear of the passing o your Dad. Enjoyed having you as neighbors on 28th street. You are now the older generation. At 93 I am doing fine. Living at Madison Apartments. Mary Naylor

Mary Naylor - July 16 at 11:29 AM



“ I met the Colonel when I started working at Bldg 605 as the unit clerk for 137th Trans. I'd get sent on missions and need to staff car, he always had the keys. I got to saying, " Hey, Dad, can I have the keys to the car?"
He was a great guy, mentor and friend. He will be missed.

Sallie Easley - July 16 at 09:44 AM



“ I am sorry to hear of Wayne's passing. I'll always cherish the wonderful memories of our neighbors on SE 28th street. Jolene (Kearns) Shafer

Jolene Shafer - July 16 at 09:25 AM



“ My earliest memories of Wayne were when he and Twila took me under their wing during the family reunion trip to Germany in 1981. Wayne and I hit it off and talked about many things including his service in the National Guard. He is pretty much responsible for my Army Reserve career including when he commissioned me as a brand new second lieutenant out of the Kansas State University ROTC program.

I found this picture of Wayne and Twila dancing during the trip to Germany.

I have so many fond memories of Wayne. He was such a role model for me. Debbie and I send our thoughts and prayers to the family.

Rick and Debbie Berckefeldt



Rick & Debbie Berckefeldt - July 15 at 08:21 PM



“ I was privileged to be Lynda #2 in Wayne's life. He and Twila started coming to our Tuesday night Bible study a number of years ago at the invitation of their neighbors Earl & Naomi Hepworth. Wayne continued to come after Twila passed and then would come early to have dinner with us. He was like family to Ken and me. We will always remember his smile and his love for the LORD Jesus! Attached are pictures of his birthday pie last August and his last visit in our home with friends Ken & Joan Benjamin and Ray Ebberts.



Ken & Lynda Gimple - July 15 at 07:06 PM



“ I remember the New Years Eve that he and Twila would sponsor for out youth at Highland Park Christian Church. He had that infectious smile and chuckle. My prayers and thoughts to all of his family.
Julie George Baldwin Andrews

Julie Andrews - July 15 at 05:55 PM



“ A very sad day to hear of Wayne's passing. He will be missed by many who thought so very much of him as a great Army Aviator and friend. I had the pleasure of flying with him for many years. The best aviation supervisor ever. Words cannot express how much I will miss him when I again travel to Kansas. Always a smile and hearty handshake when we would meet at the Kansas Guard Museum.

I was an Aviator with the Kansas National Guard for over 40 years. Never heard a bad word about Wayne as a fellow aviator and friend.

My heart and prayer goes to all the family at this time. I live in Maryland - will be unable to attend his services due to the virus situation traveling via airlines. .

Lawrence Burbank, Manchester, Maryland email address-
copterdoctor2347@gmail.com

Lawrence Burbank - July 15 at 05:27 PM



“ I'm remembering Wayne in the halls of Fredonia High with Twila my freshman year, driving four of us on a double date somewhere in Wilson County, in a flight suit climbing out of a helicopter, talking to Fredonia Homecoming crowd, making me an omelet on the farm, and greeting me at Bill Boicourt's funeral. In between, there were weddings, funerals, reunions, and visits. He was always jovial and full of life. Thinking of you all,
Virginia Fortner

Virginia Fortner - July 15 at 04:29 PM



“ Steve . I am truly sorry to learn of you dad's passing and that your mother has also. I still think of the good lasagna she made. Please accept my sincere condolences for you and the family for your loss.

Warren McCann - July 15 at 03:56 PM



“ The Ethells, Jerry, Connie, Dion, Troy purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Wayne Cline.



The Ethells, Jerry, Connie, Dion, Troy - July 15 at 12:21 PM



“ To an amazing uncle who could light up a room just with his presence. He had the most contagious laugh. Its help to know his first love met him at the gates of heaven. I know the sky is shining a little brighter tonight. Love you always Chris Crystal Owen and Chey



“ Nothing but awesome memories of Uncle Wayne! That massive helicopter landing on the lawn in Fredonia one Homecoming parade when I was nine. I'm covering my ears, yet my chest is still thumping with the beat of the whirling helicopter blades. Like all the kids around the square, I'm squinting through the flying dirt and grass, not wanting to miss a moment. The rotors finally stop spinning, and Uncle Wayne steps out of the cockpit in his flight suit...and I simply could not believe (no way, no how) I could possibly be related to such a superhero.

Kent Fortner - July 14 at 05:31 PM



“ We are so sorry to learn of Wayne's passing but at peace with his final destination and the fact he is not longer suffering. Love and prayers for you all.

Charles and Colleen Templer - July 14 at 04:32 PM



“ Wayne was a good friend and a great soldier. I will miss his smile and positive attitude. I had the opportunity to fly with Wane many times he will be missed. Our prayer are with the family as they morn his loss. CSM(Ret) Warren (Bud) Smith

CSM (Ret) Warren (Bud) Smith - July 15 at 04:45 PM



“ Lynda & family - Our hearts go out to each of you with Wayne's passing. Although it is never easy to say good-bye to a loved one, you definitely have the assurance that your "hello in Heaven" will be glorious! Isaiah 40:31 was stitched on Wayne's Bible cover. That verse means so much more now. We loved hearing his life stories. He would just beam as he reminisced about all of the good times - too many to count! May blessings abound in each of your faith journeys.

Shane & Deana Mead

Shane & Deana Mead - July 16 at 08:46 PM