



Floyd Oscar Duell

May 17, 1921 - January 26, 2006

Floyd Oscar Duell, 84, Topeka, passed away Thurs., Jan. 26, 2006.

Floyd was born May 17, 1921 at Goodland, Kansas, the son of M. Frances (Hogeboom) Duell and Bernhard O. Duell. He attended Ruleton Consolidated School from grade 1 through 12. He graduated from high school May 11, 1938 and went to work for Boeing Airplane Co. in Wichita until Jan. 1943, when he was inducted into the Armed Forces. After completing training he was stationed at Camp Pinedale, Calif., awaiting orders and transportation to the western Pacific. He served in the 323 Signal Corps Wing, attached to Headquarters, 73 Bomb Wing of 20th Air Force, stationed in Saipan until the fall of 1945. Floyd was stationed on Iwo Jima for a short time, then transferred to Fort Logan, Colo. He was honorably discharged Dec. 22, 1945. He was hired by the State Highway Commission on Aug. 16, 1948, and was responsible for installation and operation of all radio equipment used by the Highway Commission and Highway Patrol in the southwest corner of the state. He worked as a radio operator in Garden City until 1955. He was transferred to Topeka in the fall of 1955. Mr. Duell retired in 1986 as the Electric Systems Administrator, in Headquarters, Construction/Maintenance Dept. He was a member of the Radio Club of America, the Topeka Scottish Rite and Arab Shrine Temple and APCO.

On July 14, 1943, Floyd and Betty (Clayton) Duell, of Wichita, were married.

She survives. They had three children, Kathy Ann Ratcliff (deceased), of Moselle, Miss., Cherlyn Montague, Charlotte, NC and Heather Anthony, Topeka.

Other survivors include two sisters, Virgline Amos, Goodland, and Vera Kittle, Colo.;

eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Paul and Roy Duell.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 31, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka, KS 66614. Family will greet friends one hour prior to service. Inurnment will follow at West Lawn Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions are suggested to Shriners' Hospital for Children, sent in care of Arab Shrine Temple, 1305 S. Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS 66612.

Tribute Wall



“ *Floyd Oscar Duell*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We will miss Floyd. Betty and Floyd were great neighbors to us for several years. We miss seeing Floyd outside with Fraulein, especially our children. We have many memories of Floyd from visiting with him over the fence. He will be greatly missed.
John and Cindy Hutter and family.*

John and Cindy Hutter - January 29, 2006 at 07:44 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers as with you. I worked with Floyd for a long time and enjoyed that time. He was a good friend as well as a good person to work with. He taught me lots about the communication system for KDOT and the KHP.
God Bless this family.*

Peg Bardsley - January 28, 2006 at 11:50 AM



“ *My prayers and thoughts are with all of you during this time. Grandpa was a very gentle and loving man and I will miss him very much. He is now in heaven with his beloved daughter and my mother Kathy and I just know that they are singing, playing the piano/organ and smiling down on all of us. I love all of you and wish I could be there during this time but know that you are in my prayers and thoughts and I am there in spirit. Love your granddaughter,
Lianne*

Lianne Crisci - January 28, 2006 at 08:20 AM

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“ *My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Floyd was a great person. I enjoyed hearing him play the organ when I came over. Kathy loved her dad so much and now they are together in heaven forever. Love to all Sandy*

Sandy Duncan - January 27, 2006 at 09:20 PM