



Clifford Oran Chappell Jr.

September 14, 1941 - January 23, 2026

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Oran Chappell passed away on January 23. Oran was born September 14, 1941 at Durant, Oklahoma to Oran and Edna Chappell. Oran graduated from Calera Oklahoma High School with Honors. He graduated Southeastern Oklahoma State University with a B.S. Degree and Sam Houston State University earning his Masters and continued his education at the University of Washington and Oak Ridge Associated University. Oran met his wife of 60 years with attending Southeastern Oklahoma State University, where they were both education majors.

Oran retired after 38 years as a teacher and administrator, He was proud to be selected as an Outstanding Physics Teacher (1972) by his peers, a Humanitarian award as an administrator, and recognized by his Church for leadership and volunteering.

Oran is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Donna and Robert Pusateri and granddaughter Elizabeth of Huntsville, TX. Visitation will be held at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., followed by the funeral service from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Burial will follow at Smith Memorial Park.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date and will be held at Willis Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made to Willis Methodist Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 30. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfh.com

Funeral Service

JAN 30. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Interment following service

JAN 30 (CT)

Smith Memorial Park Cemetery - Willis
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Tribute Wall

MT

“ *Mary Jo, Brad, Acey, Patrick & Tracie purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Clifford Oran Chappell Jr..*



Mary Jo, Brad, Acey, Patrick & Tracie - January 29 at 03:49 PM

DC

“ *Oran Jr. was our oldest cousin! Have many great memories as a kid at his Mom and Dad's farm in OK! He lived an accomplished life to its fullest! We will miss him and his lovely wife Sam who preceded him!*

Derrel Chappell - January 29 at 11:53 AM

PB

“ *Phyllis Gentry Bond purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Clifford Oran Chappell Jr..*



Phyllis Gentry Bond - January 28 at 09:06 PM

GF

“ *George (Bub) Chappell and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Clifford Oran Chappell Jr..*



George (Bub) Chappell and family - January 28 at 03:19 PM

GF

“ George (Bub) Chappell and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Oran Chappell Jr..

George (Bub) Chappell and family - January 28 at 03:19 PM

MW

“ Oran was truly a delightful friend, wonderful neighbor and his humor and kindness were legendary. We lived next door to the Chappells for twelve years and enjoyed the family so much. Please accept our loving condolences for your loss and be comforted knowing he is with your mom now, Donna. Heaven has received two special angels together now forever. We always enjoyed Oran's delightful stories about his adventures as a school administrator and were so blessed to see him and your mom and Linda shortly before our retirement move. We will miss them all- so blessed to have their friendship so many years.

Merry and Charles Wise - January 28 at 01:35 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clifford Oran Chappell Jr..



January 28 at 01:26 PM

JG

“ Oran was one of those friends that you could always know was there when tough times raised her ugly head. We fished together and enjoyed just being out on the water. A great neighbor and will be missed by many of us! Huggggs for Donna and the entire family at this time of loss.

John Gosselink - January 28 at 10:35 AM

RW

“ We always enjoyed visiting with Oran and Sandra, they were great hosts. Especially enjoyed getting up in the morning to the smell of breakfast being cooked by Oran or setting on their patio visiting while he grilled burgers. From the very first time I met him he always felt like family, we all loved him so much.

REICA WILLIAMS - January 27 at 08:01 PM