



Robert "Red" Layton Clifton

January 18, 1930 - February 19, 2020

Robert (Red) Layton Clifton 90, of Jackson, passed away on February 19, 2020, at the Chateau of Cape Girardeau.

He was born January 18, 1930 in Jackson, Missouri.

On November 4th, 1950, he was united in marriage to Joyce Ann Lindsay, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

He spent most of his adult life in public service. In 1957, Red joined the Jackson Police Department as a patrolman and in 1974, he became Chief of Police. He served as Chief until his retirement in 1990, with 33 years of service to the City of Jackson. In 1948 he joined the Naval Reserve, and in 1949 enlisted in the Missouri National Guard where he retired in 1980, at the rank of Sergeant 1st Class with over 30 years of military service.

Red and Joyce were members of the New McKendree Methodist church of Jackson. Red was a member of Jackson Optimist Club where he served as president in the mid-1980's, he was a member of the Jackson Lions Club, Elks Lodge, and SEMO Military Jeep Club. Red enjoyed fishing, collecting antiques and military items, His greatest joy was spending time with his family. Red recently donated his military collection to Missouri's National Veterans Memorial in Perryville, MO.

Loving survivors include his four children; Penny (Bernard) Meyer, Perryville, MO, Joana (Rick) Hoffman, San Antonio, Florida, Julie (Mike) Smith, Russellville, Missouri, and Joe (Lisa) Clifton, King, North Carolina. He was blessed with 10 Grandchildren and 13 Great Grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his spouse Joyce; a Grandson; and one Great-Granddaughter.

Visitation will be Saturday, February 22, 2020 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Ford and Sons Jackson Funeral Home. Funeral service will be Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Jimmie Corbin officiating.

Burial will follow with full military honors at Russell Heights Cemetery in Jackson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Missouri's National Veterans Memorial, 1172 Veterans Memorial Parkway Perryville, MO 63775 or The National Parkinson Foundation P.O. Box 5018 Hagerstown, MD 21741.

Cemetery Details

Russell Heights Cemetery

Jackson, MO 63755

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 22. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Jackson
708 W. Main Street
Jackson, MO 63755

Service

FEB 23. 1:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Jackson
708 W. Main Street
Jackson, MO 63755

Tribute Wall

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“ At true "cop's cop", an inspiration to many and a great representative of his community and what law enforcement should always be. He will be missed. RIP, Chief, JPD has your six. Very sorry for the Clifton family's loss.

Mike Murray, JPD #111, '76-'82

Thomas M (Mike) Murray - February 21, 2020 at 08:39 PM

SP

“ Uncle Bob you give Aunt Joyce and mom a super big hug from me!!! Always loved hearing your stories and always appreciated the warm welcome to stay at your house when we came back for family reunions and other events. Miss you all!!!!!!!



Shanan K Pettifer - February 21, 2020 at 11:00 AM

 Sherry James

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Prayers and blessings to each of you. Paul and Sherry James and the Comfort Keepers Staff

Sherry James - February 21, 2020 at 08:47 AM

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“ Brenda Goza Potratz lit a candle in memory of Robert "Red" Layton Clifton



Brenda Goza Potratz - February 21, 2020 at 04:22 AM