



Leo Erwin Oliphant

December 24, 1921 - June 23, 2012

Leo Erwin Oliphant 90, passed away on June 23, 2012 at his home in Newnan, GA.

Mr. Oliphant was born Dec, 24 1921 in Charles City, Iowa to the late Forrest F. Oliphant & Freda Hazel Carlen Oliphant. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Richard, Margaret, Shirley, and Jeanetta.. Mr. Oliphant graduated from Edgemont High School (SD) in 1940. He was trained as a surgical technician and served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II in the UK, France and Germany. After his discharge, he attended the University of Arkansas.

He married Lila Joan Chastain on March 16, 1946, in Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

He was employed as a civilian in the U.S. Army. His career began as the administrator of the Igloo Hospital at the Black Hills Army Depot (SD). He transferred and moved his family to Atlanta, GA in 1964 serving at Fort Gillem and Fort McPherson, retiring in 1981.

In retirement, he built the home that he and Lila have lived in for the past 23 years. He also made most of the finely crafted furniture for the home and made furniture for his children and grandchildren. His children believed that he could make or repair anything. He was a member of Southpointe Church for 48 years. He was a supporter and friend of Heritage Christian School where Lila has been a teacher for 47 years.

He is survived by Lila Oliphant, his wife of 66 years; his daughter and son-in-

law, Karen and Alan Egerdahl of Newnan GA; son and daughter-in-law, Mike Oliphant and Martha Dysart of Hendersonville, NC; daughter Gale Oliphant of Brasstown, NC; and son and daughter-in-law Patrick and Stacey Oliphant of Newnan GA; grandchildren and spouses Lisa & David Glass, Kristen Egerdahl, Sarah & Paul Rivard, Ethan Egerdahl, Forrest & Aino Oliphant, Claire Oliphant, Mark Baker, Michael Baker, Leo & Mandy Oliphant, April Oliphant; 11 great grandchildren; and extended family in Colorado and Arkansas.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

McKoon Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Visitation is planned at Southpointe Church located at 3613 Highway 34 E, Sharpsburg, GA on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 2:00 PM followed by a memorial service at 3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Southpointe Church, 3613 Highway 34 E, Sharpsburg, GA 30277.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
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Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

SouthPointe Church
3613 Hwy 34 East
Sharpsburg, GA 30277

Service

JUN 27. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RS

“ *Lila, I was sorry to hear about Leo. I don't know if you remember me. My mother was Helen Stender. I want to wish you well*

Richard Stender - August 11, 2012 at 06:59 PM

PW

“ *I would like to offer my condolences to the Oliphant family and also share a comforting promise from the Bible. At Revelation 21:4 where Jehovah God will wipe every tear from our eyes and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.*

P. Watts - July 02, 2012 at 10:11 PM

GI

“ *Miss Lila, such a blessing dear Leo was too us all! He will be missed by us all! Miss Lila you are an incredible lady, therefore I know that behind you was an incredible man. Your faith was always unshakeable, unmovable always abounding in the work of the Lord. You, dear lady with your meek and quite spirit have been an example to the believers. I know that you have only been able to do this as you have had a Godly man behind you. I remember being so blessed when I heard that Mr. Leo built your bedroom suite, how very proud you were of him. How proud you were to use what he brilliantly crafted for you. Y'all were an example to us. Thank You! Prayers are with you as you step up to the plate and continue to led this Clan with out your mate. I know that you will be able to do this for I know your faith! Prayers with you all!! Gaston Irby*

Gaston Irby - June 26, 2012 at 10:47 PM

KM

“ Dearest Lila & Family, We are so sorry in the loss of Mr. Leo. However, we know he is flashing that sweet smile in Heaven! We will miss him dearly. Love, Kim & Josh

Kim & Josh McCurry - June 26, 2012 at 10:32 AM

RB

“ Lila & Family, We are so sorry about your loss. Leo was such a gentle, kind, and caring soul... You are in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Ron & Connie Bratcher - June 26, 2012 at 09:43 AM

CH

“ Dear Oliphant family, I am grateful to have known Leo and I have fond memories of his quiet kindness. You are so fortunate to have one another at this time and always. with love, Cathy Henson

Cathy Henson - June 26, 2012 at 08:59 AM

LP

“ Lila and Family- Eric and I send our prayers and thoughts everyday knowing God is going to be there for you through all of this. You have a strong Christian family to lean on and in the days to come they will be there for you. Leo was so bright eyed and cheerful always when ever I saw him, I will always think of him that way! Love and prayers to you all, Lee n Eric Pollard

Lee Pollard - June 25, 2012 at 06:27 PM

DP

“ I always liked Leo & will miss him. Our prayers are with you Don

Don & Jean Phillips - June 25, 2012 at 12:22 PM

MF

“ Please accept our condolences for the loss of your loved one. We would like to make a contribution to your church in his name. You are in our thoughts and prayers. The McDowell Family

MCDowell Family - June 25, 2012 at 12:05 PM

TC

“ Lila and Family, We are so saddened to hear of Leo's passing. We loved him very much. He was always such a sweet and gentle person, as well as the light of the room at our Chastain get-togethers. He will be missed. Although we won't be able to attend the memorial services, please know that we are praying for you. We love you! Doug and Tammy Chastain

Tammy Chastain - June 24, 2012 at 03:45 PM