



Cletus James Sidwell

September 15, 1928 - December 26, 2014

Dateline: Jerseyville

Cletus James Sidwell, 86, of Jerseyville, died at 9:10 a.m. Friday, December 26, 2014 at the home of his son, Dr. Stanley Sidwell, Godfrey, IL. He was born September 15, 1928 in Nebo, IL, the first child of the late Edgar and Emma (Pruett) Sidwell. He married Mary Evelyn Dunaven on August 22, 1948 in Pittsfield. She preceded him in death on July 9, 2006. Mr. Sidwell worked as a lineman and later as a switchman for General Telephone (Verizon) from which he retired after 41 years of service. He has worshiped at First Baptist Church in Jerseyville for many years. He dearly loved his family especially his six grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren. As a young man, Cletus was an accomplished athlete, competing in track and field, basketball and baseball. His interest in sports continued throughout his life. He coached youth baseball for many years, and he was a loyal Chicago Cubs fan.

Surviving are two sons and daughter-in-law; Larry Sidwell of Mt. Vernon, IL, and Dr. Stanley Sidwell and Elizabeth Sidwell of Godfrey; six grandchildren and their spouses: Michelle and Keith Dory of West Memphis, AR, Jeremy and Heather Sidwell of Chicago, Dr. Rachel and Ryan Durham of Alton, Christina and Ray Flemings of San Francisco, CA, Benjamin and Janna Sidwell of St. Charles, MO, Leah and Joshua Peuterbaugh of Overland Park, KS. Eleven great-grandchildren: Tyler, Hannah, William and Matthew Dory; Renae and Ryan "RJ" Durham; Jackson and Madeline Flemings; James Sidwell; David and Lucas Peuterbaugh. One brother, Maurice Dean Sidwell

(Billie) of Pittsfield, two sisters, Nancy Sue Crockett (Richard) of Pensacola, FL and Jane Ann Herndon (Jim) of Godfrey, one sister-in-law, Ilene Elledge of Nebo. In addition to his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by three brothers; John Robert Sidwell, Lyndle Don Sidwell, and Richard Dale Sidwell, two sisters, Mary Lou Clendenny and Margie Lou Kelly. Graveside services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, December 28, 2014 at Oak Grove Cemetery in Jerseyville with the Reverend Ed Haun officiating. Friends and family are welcome to attend. Memorials may be given to the First Baptist Church of Jerseyville. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Cletus James Sidwell*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Cletus James Sidwell*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Larry, Stan*

Sorry to hear about your father. I always liked to be around your dad when we were kids. He had a great sense of humor and laugh. My parents always thought of Cletus and Mary as their best friends. My mom is in Dallas with brother Dennis for a short stay and I'm sure she would like to send her condolences also.

Steve S

Stephen Suhling - January 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. There's not much I can say to relieve the pain you must have, all I know is that according to John 5:28, 29 there is hope for the ones we have lost. We will be able to see them once again and they will be young and happy to see you too.*
JW.org.

Raquel - December 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are thankful for memories at a time like this. I know you have some great ones. Love and prayers. Mary*

Mary Wiley - December 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *May the love and peace of Jesus Christ be with all the family at this time. I didn't know Cletus, but just a patient of Dr. Stanley Sidwell for many, many years.*

SHARON DAVIS - December 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *Larry, We are so sorry to hear about your father. Please know you are in our prayers.*

Arnold and Barbara Peterson - December 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Friend Larry - Thinking of you, and wishing you and your family peace and comfort.*

Donna Beaumont - December 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Even though I didn't get to spend much time with Uncle Cletus, I always thought of him as a gentleman. My Mother loved him very much and he will be sadly missed by many. I can only imagine the reunion going on in Heaven. Praying for Stan, Larry and the entire family.*

Carol Miller - December 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Sherry and Gregg Cooper - December 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *Very sorry for your loss. We will be praying for you all.*

Dave & Marcia Feldman - December 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM