



## Donald Gene Cundiff

October 29, 1943 - June 26, 2017

Donald "Duck" Gene Cundiff, 73 year old resident of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, died June 26, 2017, at Regency Hospital in Springdale, Arkansas. Born October 29, 1943, in Siloam Springs, he was the son of Paul Cundiff and Dortha Woods Cundiff. He served overseas in the U.S. Army in Korea during the Vietnam War. Don worked for over 20 years at Franklin Electric. Don's passions were the city of Siloam Springs and its history, the VFW and the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy Cundiff of the home; step daughter, Elayna Trobare of Norman, Oklahoma; step son, John Trobare of Norman, Oklahoma; one brother, Shorty Cundiff of West Siloam Springs, Oklahoma; two sisters, Sue Verser of Decatur, Arkansas, and Delores Jones of Springdale, Arkansas; and four step grandchildren.

Visitation will be Thursday, June 29, 2017, from 5:30 to 8:00 P.M. at Wasson Funeral Home in Siloam Springs. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday June 30, 2017, at Fayetteville National Cemetery, Fayetteville, Arkansas. Memorial service will be held 2:30 P.M. Friday at Wasson Funeral Home in Siloam Springs with Pastor Sharon Stockton and Pastor Gary Riley officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Grand Savings Bank, Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **29**. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wasson Funeral Home  
441 U.S. 412  
Siloam Springs, AR 72761  
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<https://www.wassonfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Service

JUN **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Fayetteville National Cemetery  
700 Government Ave.  
Fayetteville, AR 72701

## Memorial Service

JUN **30**. 2:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

ET

“ I liked spending time with my step dad don cundiff, I miss him . I remember he went to my wedding when I very first got married and I was quite young too in my early 20s, and he loved spending time with my mom's kids and grandkids. She misses him dearly, he was a good man

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**Elayna Luesa Trobare** - August 23, 2024 at 04:53 PM

RO

“ To the Cundiff family; Greetings from South Carolina. As I read the tributes to old friend, my mind goes back to my youth. The Cundiff / Myrick Clan has been a huge part of my life and have meant so much to me. Paul, (AKA To-Jo) Duck's dad, was part of the construction crew that built the old post office downtown. Paul hauled dirt out to make the basement of that building. Shorty showed me a picture of his dad's truck pulling up out of the hole. Don's uncle George Cundiff built my building at 880 South Lincoln St that our auto parts store is still in today, 60 years later. George built that building for my Dad for two thousand dollars in 1958, turn key. Shorty and I helped his Uncle George with that project too. Shorty mixed a lot of cement to put that building together. I guess Duck was downtown at the Bowl and Grill Café drinking coffee for a nickel a cup (refills were free) and playing the drums on the table top with his thumbs. There was a whole lot of that back in those days with Donny and Gary Walters, David and Howard Snider and a host of others. I remember it well. That was back in a time when death was something we seldom thought about. These days the first thing I check when I fire up my computer are the obituaries. Many a time as kids, Butch Myrick, my brother Bob and I would see Duck downtown on a Saturday and he always had time for us. He never shunned us off or uttered any rude remarks toward us. Kids remember how their treated long after their youth has passed. Duck was a special guy and I will miss him. Many folks just didn't realize what an asset he was for our community. He paid attention and got involved and we need many more like him. Rest in peace our Friend. Roger and Delores Osbourn

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**Roger Osbourn** - July 02, 2017 at 12:16 PM

LC

*What an awesome tribute! Thanks so much for sharing your thoughts & memories of Don (Duck) & his family!*

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**Lucy Cundiff** - August 13, 2017 at 09:10 AM

CS

“ *Such sad news. A good man. My thoughts are with Lucy and all the rest if the family and friends,*

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**Conrad Sawyer** - July 01, 2017 at 03:40 PM

RV

“ *'Duck' was the ONLY reason I would go to WallyWorld.... He always had a 'Word of Wisdom' when I walked in and always gave me a BIG smile, You Had to LOVE the Guy for his warmth, RIP Mr Duck.*

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**Randy Vohs** - June 30, 2017 at 10:28 AM

SC

*I feel the same way. Thanks for the words Randy. RIP Duck. You will be missed! FE co-worker*

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**Shirley Cayce** - July 01, 2017 at 03:44 PM

TR

“ *Duck was one of a kind for sure. Years ago one could always find him at the State Line Cafe in the morning after he got for work. Just like you could find him at the Walmart McDonalds almost every day later on. Going by that McDonalds will sure be sad without him there to greet me as I go by. My condolences to his family for their loss of Duck.*

*Tom Roberts*

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**thomas Roberts** - June 29, 2017 at 08:16 PM



“ 31 files added to the album *Life Tributes*

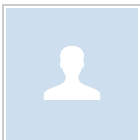


Wasson Funeral Home - June 29, 2017 at 05:20 PM



“ There has been a memorial fund set up at Grand Savings Bank for Don "Duck" Cundiff to help pay for expenses instead of flowers. Thank you for helping!!

Cheryl helping Lucy - June 29, 2017 at 10:40 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Gene Cundiff.



June 29, 2017 at 09:41 AM

JE

“ I just don't know what to say. Duck has been someone I have always loved and respected since I was very young and recently within the last few years, have gotten closer just by our visits at Walmart. It meant the world to me when he came to the funeral home when my mama (Dixie Harviston-Ethridge) passed. I'm sending my love to all his friends and family and if there is anything I can do, please let me know. My heart is broken. I live in Colcord, but going to try to find some one to feed the mama cat for him. He had such a love for that mama stray cat.

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**Jerri ETHRIDGE Edgett** - June 29, 2017 at 02:50 AM

LO

“ Don has passed from this life to internal life...His journey has just begun because he is now with the lord.

*Landra and Larry Oneto*

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**Landra and Larry Oneto** - June 28, 2017 at 09:43 AM

LH

“ We salute your veteran. Our condolences for your loss & gratitude for your loved one's service to our country. May your memories & God's love bring you peace, comfort & strength at this difficult time. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal but LOVE leaves a memory no one can steal.



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**Larry & Lana Hurt** - June 27, 2017 at 04:54 PM