



Rufus Lester Clifton, Jr.

February 20, 2008

Galivants Ferry.....Rufus Lester "Clif" Clifton, Jr. of Galivants Ferry died Wednesday, February 20, 2008 at McLeod Regional Hospital after a lengthy illness. Born July 30, 1937 in Shreveport, Louisiana, he was the son of the late Rufus L. and Ann Sheffield Clifton. Clif was a talented furniture maker and restorer who had retired from Johnson Furniture Company. He was a master wood carver who honed his skills in retirement with commission pieces and carvings for his family and friends. From the majesty of a mahogany cross in a Methodist Church to elaborately carved wildlife species, Clif's quiet dignity shone through his work. He is survived by his wife Connie Altman Clifton of Galivants Ferry, his son Phillip Lester Clifton Claudia of Hayes, Virginia; his daughter Dorothy Melissa Clifton of Abilene, Texas and her fiancé Rodney Sturdivant; grandchildren Michael Clifton of Hayes, Virginia and Katie Beth Wooten of Abilene, Texas; sisters Audrey Achee of Yuma, Arizona and Madeline Love of Polk City, Florida; brothers Bill Clifton of Polk City, Florida; Jim Clifton of Tomball, Texas; Dell Clifton of Norcross, Georgia; and John Clifton of Climax, North Carolina; his stepmother Ida M. Clifton of Norcross, Georgia and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Clif was predeceased by sisters Barbara Yeadon and Nancy Gilbert. A funeral service will be held 4:00 PM Saturday at Goldfinch Funeral Home , Conway Chapel with Tim Harris and Craig Johnson officiating. The family will receive friends from 2-4 PM Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be sent to American Heart Association, PO Box 5216, Glen Allen , VA 23058 or to

American Lung Association, 1941 Savage Road, Suite 200A, Charleston, SC 29407. Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ I MISS YOU - so very much.##imported-begin##Melissa##imported-end##

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“ It is at times like this that we realize how short life is.I wish that we could have been closer. I do hold dear the memories that I have of Jr. when we were younger. My thoughts & prayers are with you all at this sad time. With deepest sympathy, Lynn##imported-begin##Lynn Love##imported-end##

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“ Cheryl and I are sad for your loss and pray that God's blessing will be with you all. We spend way too much time on things that mean nothing, but seem important to us at the time. I am sorry for not taking the time to better understand and get to know my brother; and I ask for his forgiveness. Only God is more important than family.... and we spend way too much time on other things besides these two that are all that really matters. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, jim & Cheryl##imported-begin##Jim Clifton##imported-end##

February 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM