



Mr. Clifton Byrd

December 27, 1954 - February 26, 2026

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing. 11 Timothy 4:7-8

On Thursday, February 26, 2026, Clifton "Cliff" Byrd, our beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend, peacefully passed away at the age of 71. Clifton was born on December 27, 1954, in Port Allen, Louisiana, to the late Julius Byrd and Carolyn Mitchell Byrd.

Cliff had a deep love for the outdoors and especially enjoyed fishing and gardening. Throughout his life, Cliff held several positions where he served others with dedication. He worked as the manager of the banquet hall at Embassy Suites and later as the chief waiter at Ralph and Kacoo's Restaurant. He eventually retired from Smitty's Oil Company. Above all, Cliff was committed to serving the Lord.

Cliff joined Gaines Chapel AME Church under the leadership of Rev. Lawrence Morris, Sr., where he gave his life to Christ. He remained a faithful member under the pastoral care of Rev. Margaret Morris and served the church faithfully as a trustee.

Clifton leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife of 23 years. Marilyn Robin Byrd; three children: Clifton Byrd, Jr. (Dominique) of Baton Rouge, Louisiana: Tanika Byrd (Michael) of Baton Rouge, Louisiana: and Belincia Jackson of St. Gabriel. Louisiana. He also leaves behind five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter; two sisters, Reginal Williams (Danny) and Janice Byrd: two brothers, Rev. Michael Byrd (Gwendolynn) and Ray Byrd (Lorraine); and a sister-in-law. Beatrice Byrd, along with a host of nieces, nephews, relatives. and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Julius Byrd and Carolyn Mitchell Byrd, and his siblings: Ivy Byrd, Melvin Byrd , Carolyn Byrd and Samella Byrd.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Gaines Chapel AME Church
69340 Phillips Rd
Kentwood, LA 70444

Service

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Tribute Wall

BJ

“Daddy I'm lost of words to say. I will definitely miss our long phone conversations especially about cooking & you asking for pies. I will truly miss your voice your laughter etc... No goodbyes I'll see you later. "Love always your baby girl"

Belincia Jackson - March 10 at 10:52 PM

AM

“May Almighty Father God bless and comfort the family 💕🙏



Anthony Martin and jashon Johnson martin - March 04 at 10:32 PM

JG

He was such a great brother in law rest easy cliff❤️❤️❤️😭

Jacqueline Garrett - March 06 at 02:01 PM

DM

To my family you all have my deepest condolences and prayers during this difficult time my uncle cliff will truly miss missed ❤️❤️🙏

Desjaniro McCray - March 06 at 03:09 PM

KJ

May the Lord be with all during this difficult time. Praying for you all especially my God-sister Vett luv ❤️ you

Katherine & Akvin. Nelson Jr - March 06 at 09:58 PM