



# Clifton T. Walker

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**C**lifton Thomas Walker of Lovettsville, Virginia passed peacefully into eternal life on April 25, 2017 at Blue Ridge Hospice in Winchester, Virginia surrounded by his family and exceptional caregivers.

Born in Granville County, North Carolina on May 10, 1922, he was the son of Will Lee and Annie Mathews Walker. Cliff graduated from Stovall High School. He joined the United States Marine Corps in 1941, three days after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

During Cliff's 20 years in the Marine Corps he served our country in Northern Ireland, Guam, Okinawa, Headquarters in Washington, DC, and his favorite position at the US Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon.

Cliff was very proud to have been a member of the Marine Corps Pistol Team and competed in matches around the world. He obtained the rank of Distinguished Pistol Shot after winning the Bronze, Silver, and Gold medals in record time.

After retiring from the Marine Corps in 1961, he worked for DECO Electronics, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carr, in Leesburg. He also worked for his father-in-law, William Painter, at the Painter Lumber Company in Lovettsville. From 1985 to 1998 he was proud to manage the Loudoun County Sheriff's Department Office of Property and Evidence. Never one to completely retire, Cliff filled his time on home projects, creating beautiful woodworking pieces, and volunteering in his community.

Cliff joined the Masonic Lodge while stationed in Beirut, transferred to the Adoniram Lodge in North Carolina and remained a lifetime member. He was proud of the good work they've done at the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford. Cliff was also a member and past President of the Lovettsville Lions Club. In addition, he served on both the Lovettsville Planning Commission and the Lovettsville Town Council.



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Cliff became a member of the Lovettsville Rescue Squad after attending the first Red Cross First Aid class in 1966. He received the second Rescueman of the Year award in 1971 and the Most Dedicated Member of the Year award in 1980. Cliff served as Treasurer of the Lovettsville Fire & Rescue Company for nearly 40 years and remained an Administrative Member until the end.

Cliff is remembered for his friendliness, compassion, and sense of humor. Some of his favorite quotes were, "Those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind" and "I was alright, but I got over it." He said his greatest accomplishments were to provide for his daughters to graduate from James Madison University and to serve his community in the Town Government and the Fire & Rescue Department, where he ran calls for nearly 35 years.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brothers Charlie, Robert and Edward. He is survived by his wife Elaine, daughters Debbie, Linda and Carol, his grandson Brandon and many wonderful nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews.

A private burial with military honors was held on May 10, 2017 at 12 noon on what would have been his 95th birthday.

A memorial service, officiated by Rev. Roland England and Rev. Andreas Armstrong, will be held on May 21, 2017 at St. James United Church of Christ at 2pm followed by a reception at the Lovettsville Volunteer Fire & Rescue building.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial contributions may be made to Blue Ridge Hospice in Winchester or the Lovettsville Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company.



## Events

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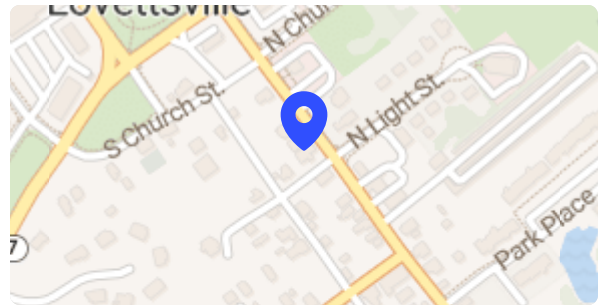
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### Celebration of Life

 **Sunday**, May 21, 2017

 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

 **St. James United Church of Christ**  
10 East Broad Way, Lovettsville VA





## Tribute Wall

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BS

**Beenardita Stipo** posted:

I will always remember him as my second dad; a generous, cheerful man. So glad I met him 😊

May 20 at 11:08 AM

LB

**Leigh Barner** posted:

Elaine I am so sorry to learn of Cliff's passing. Please accept our condolences and prayers. Leigh Barner

May 12 at 11:53 AM

DR

**Doug Rambo** posted:

I am so sorry to hear that Cliff has passed. He always had a kind word and a smile when we met. Cliff stood out as a gentle soul who genuinely cared about his family, community, and country. You will be missed. My condolences to Elaine and all of Cliff's family and friends.

May 12 at 8:22 AM

JS

**John Smith** posted:

Loss of a great person and friend. Cliffs years of dedicated work with LCSO will always be remembered as a mentor for me and he helped build a great working relationship between LCSO and LPD will miss this guy John Smith

May 12 at 5:01 AM



**Charlie Waddell** posted:

Elaine, Debbie, Linda and Carol, I wanted to tell you that we lost a great man when Cliff passed. He was a part of the greatest generation of Americans who kept us safe through their sacrifices during WW 2. Cliff was also a hero back home as a founder of the Lovettsville Fire and Rescue Company. In time his family and friends may become accustomed to not having Cliff among us but we shall never forget his good and cheerful way of life.

May 11 at 5:32 AM



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SM

**Sandy Mauck** posted:

Elaine. I'm thinking of your and your family. I was so sorry to hear that Cliff died. Sandy Mauck

May 10 at 1:12 PM

NJ

**Nancy Johnson** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.



May 10 at 10:59 AM

WS

**William E. Schoeb** posted:

Cliff, I will always remember your Big Smile and the calm nature. Thanks for all you did for the Department and for me as a young Deputy. MD William E. Schoeb 8612

May 10 at 7:36 AM

JL

**Jeff Lockhart** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.



May 10 at 5:42 AM

RE

**Rick Entsminger** posted:

The entire Walker Family is in my thoughts and prayers. My deepest condolence.

May 9 at 7:58 AM

TM

**Terrie Mabe** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.

Thoughts and prayers for the family, cliff was a very special man, thoughtful and he loved his family very much!



May 3 at 5:23 PM



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**Bob Brendel** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.

May 1 at 3:35 PM



**Amanda Bowers** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.

May 1 at 1:50 PM



**Chuck Wyant** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.

May 1 at 10:01 AM



**Cecelia Cole** lit a candle in honor of Clifton.

April 29 at 11:07 AM



**Rick Frye** May 5 at 8:02 AM

Cliff was a good friend and we spent much time in conversation in days past. His service to his community and his country was extensive. Thoughts and prayers with Elaine and the family.



**Cecelia Cole** April 29 at 11:10 AM

I was very sorry to learn about Cliff. He was always very pleasant to be with. My deepest sympathy goes to the Walker family.



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**Sharon Elaine** posted:

I was so sorry to hear about Clifton. My deepest condolences to the Walker family. Cliff has left behind many precious memories and he will be dearly missed. May your memories of him bring you comfort as the days and years pass by and you return to life's routine. May God grant you peace amidst your sorrow. 2 Thessalonians 3:16; John 6:40

April 27 at 8:36 AM



**Joe Shomaker** posted:

My blessings are with the Walker Family at this time. Cliff was a great family man and an asset to his Community.

April 27 at 4:23 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Clifton by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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