

Clyde Roland Durrance

August 15, 1922 - March 22, 2021

Clyde R. Durrance, 98

Okeechobee – Clyde R. Durrance passed away on March 22, 2021.

A lifelong resident of Okeechobee, he was a member of the First Baptist Church of Okeechobee. He loved the community and served as County Commissioner for four terms. He may also be remembered for the many years he drove a school bus.

He had many occupations. He was a cattle rancher and had a commercial hay operation. He built and ran the Brahma Burger Drive-in Restaurant. He owned and operated the Jiffy convenience store. He built Town 'n Country Mobile Home Park and made many friends during the 44 years he owned the park.

His favorite pastime was quail hunting and he spent many hours watching his bird dogs hunt.

Mr. Durrance was preceded in death by his wife, Juanita Harvey Durrance, and his daughter, Patricia Durrance.

He is survived by his son, Roland Durrance (Lynda); daughter, Rosa Butler (R.D.); six grandchildren; ten great grandchildren; and one great grandson.

The family would like to thank all the many friends and caregivers that have been so loyal over the years to Papa Clyde.

Memorial contributions can be made to the First Baptist Church, 401 SW 4th ST, Okeechobee FL 34974 or Hospice of Okeechobee, PO Box 1548, Okeechobee, FL 34973.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, March 25, 2021 at Evergreen Cemetery.

Those wishing to leave a message of condolence may sign the register book at, www.OkeechobeeFuneralHome.com

All arrangements are entrusted to the direction and care of the Buxton & Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home, 400 North Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida, 34972.

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Events

Evergreen Cemetery

1116 N.E. 39th Boulevard Okeechobee, FL, 34972

MAR Graveside Service

11:00AM

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Buxton & Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home and Crematory

400 N. Parrott Ave, Okeechobee, FL, US, 34972

Comments



Our deepest sympathy and condolences to your family. Clyde was one of our very first friend that gave us a warm welcome when we arrived in Okeechobee in 1973. I will always remember that occasion. Thanks for the wonderful memories.

Trini and family

Trini Garcia - April 16 at 03:40 PM



66 He was our bus driver for years. Always had a smile. Prayers

Frances Thomas Matthews - March 30 at 01:09 PM



Love and prayers to the Durrance family.

Ronnie and Alice Walker

Ronnie and Alice Walker - March 25 at 07:25 PM



I remember Mr Durrance fondly. He drove my school bus and he was so kind and funny! I also visited the Brahma Burger every time I visited 'Chobee during my summer visits with my Dad, Was always happy to see him. God bless his family. My deepest sympathy. Sue Allgood Weatherholtz.

Sue Allfood Weatherholtz - March 25 at 03:44 PM



Mr. Clyde will forever be a permanent wonderful memory of Okeechobee to me. He drove our bus for many years and was one of the kindest men. He loved us kids. It was always exciting when Mr. Clyde came to Lakeshore as we were able to see him away from the bus. Mom and Dad thought so highly of the whole family. I know he will be so missed. God bless and comfort you all during this time. The Larry Bond Family.

Linda Bond Woodall - March 25 at 12:18 PM



From Bobby H. Tucker and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Clyde Roland Durrance.



From Bobby H. Tucker and Family - March 25 at 11:58 AM



Oh, what a wonderful man. When I was little, Clyde was my bus driver. I was not feeling well one morning when he picked me up. On the way to school, I threw up, Clyde being the great person he was, turned the whole bus around, took me home, driving the bus into my yard and helped me off the bus. My mother was so thankful because at time, she did not have a way to come get me if he had taken me to school. This is only the first of many wonderful memories of Clyde. He will forever remain in my heart as one of the greatest. I am praying for the family.

Phyllis Sarros - March 25 at 08:24 AM



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Stephen Durrance - March 23 at 07:15 PM



Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Clyde Roland Durrance.



March 23 at 07:04 PM



2 files added to the album Memories Album





Stephen Durrance - March 23 at 01:02 PM



66 Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Clyde Roland Durrance.



March 23 at 01:00 PM



Lost a good man, was my bus driver from the fourth grade until I started driving, also a lot of good times going to their house and roping with Roland. He had a great life, so sorry for your loss.

Burl Little - March 23 at 09:45 AM



Clyde was my bus driver from second grade to tenth. He was a friend to all of his passengers and made us feel safe when we were with him. I remember one very foggy morning we were about to cross the old wooden Eagle Bay bridge (before the new, straighter one was built.)

Clyde stopped the bus and got out to walk the road to be sure we were going to get on the bridge. He was the best!

Sherlyn Whitney - March 23 at 10:55 AM



Truly loved Mr.Clyde and his wife. Spent lots of time going over to visit. Lived in Town and Country 15 years. Missed him riding by and stopping to talk on his mule. Always called me the Kentucky Girl. His wife and I talked golf. Truly a wonderful person



66 Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Clyde Roland Durrance.



March 22 at 08:00 PM



66 I'll always remember Clyde for his kindness to us kids back in the days we were always expected to shut up and stay out of the way. A good man - a great loss to our community.

Ben Burdeshaw - March 22 at 06:25 PM



Roland and family prayers and condolences Clyde Durrance was an inspiration to us all. With sympathy Wayne Burton

wayne burton - March 22 at 05:22 PM



Deepest sympathy and prayers for Roland, Rosa, Nieces Hllda and Jan, and all of his large family and friends. My mother served with him as County Commission secretary and first woman County Commissioner. He was surely a busy man. God bless all the family and friends. Kenna(Price) and Terry Noonan.

Kenna P Noonan - March 22 at 04:59 PM