



Judge Clayton Castleman

December 15, 1946 - November 22, 2014

Judge Clayton Castleman of Ashdown, AR passed away Saturday, November 22, 2014 at St. Michael in Texarkana, TX.

Judge Castleman was born December 15, 1946 in Little River County. He is preceded in death by parents, Ira and Maud Castleman; and one sister, Lucy Davis.

He graduated from Ashdown High School in 1964, received his B.A. from University of Arkansas in 1968 in Agriculture Education, and a M.S. from the University of Arkansas in 1969. Judge Castleman and Carolyn taught in the Stuttgart school system for 32 years. While teaching Agriculture, in Stuttgart, Arkansas, he was adviser to FFA. In 1974 he became the Vocational Director (one of first three in Arkansas) and continued to work with five successful vocational programs. He helped develop the Coordinated Career Education program for Arkansas and worked on the National Curriculum to reestablish the Agriculture Education program in the large cities of the United States.

Judge Castleman served as principal for a year and decided to go back to a more direct involvement with the students and served many years as Vocational Director and handled the discipline for Stuttgart High School. He retired in 1999, but was asked to return to the job to finish the second semester of that year.

He and his wife Carolyn built a home on the home place in Hicks in 1999-2000 and moved back to Little River County.

Judge Castleman served on the State Geographic Information Board, being appointed by Governor Beebe in 2006. He served as president of Ashdown Antique and Merchants Association, served as vice-president of the Little River County Historical Society Board, served on the Little River County Chamber of Commerce Board, CCCUA Foundation Board, and many other local and area boards. He was instrumental in the establishing of the Two Rivers Museum. He also served on the Arkansas Retired Teachers Association board.

Judge Castleman was a Sunday School teacher, Sunday School superintendent, and deacon for Bethel Missionary Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Carolyn Mann Castleman of Ashdown, AR; one child, Amanda, husband Cary Kiser, and grandson Clay Morris Kiser of Little Elm, Texas; and three brothers, Rubyn, James, and John Castleman. Cary and Amanda gave him the best present for the New Year on January 3, 2013.

Visitation will be Monday Evening November 24, 2014 from 5 to 7pm at First Baptist Church in Ashdown, AR.

Funeral Services will be Tuesday November 25, 2014 at 10:00am at First Baptist Church in Ashdown, AR. Burial will follow at Ashdown Cemetery in Ashdown, AR.

Arrangements are under the direction of Madden Funeral Home in Ashdown, AR.

Online registration:maddenfuneralservice.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Judge Clayton Castleman*

October 08, 2023 at 02:47 PM



“ *Mr. Castleman was the assistant principal alongside Mr. Wilson in Stuttgart. He was always the quiet one and always smiling. Rest on Mr. Castleman!*

Donna Keaton Wilchie - Conway, AR - former student - Stuttgart - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Carolyn, so very sorry for your loss. Larry was in hospital during that time and I did not watch news. We will never forget your hospitality toward us when we needed a place to stay when we moved to Stuttgart. May you feel God's loving arms wrapped around you.*

Judy Gray - JUDSONIA, AR - old friends - December 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Clayton Castleman was an extraordinary man in many ways and he will be dearly missed by all those who knew him. We pray that God's Word and His Holy Spirit (the "Comforter") may provide strength, comfort, and assurance in this time of sorrow.*

With Deep Sympathy,

Billy and Gail Booth family

Billy and Gail Booth - Hazen, AR - friend - December 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ So sorry to hear about Clayton. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Vicki Hachmann - Stuttgart, AR - December 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ S O SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT CLAYTONS PASSING. HE WAS A GREAT FRIEND AND BROTHER IN THE CHURCH. HE WILL BE MISSED, PRAYERS FOR FAMILY.

JO AND LELAND MINTON

leland minton - stuttgart, AR - friend - December 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Honor to served with you on the Arkansas County Quorum court. You were a definite asset to our school system. I Thank you .

Mike Crum - Stuttgart, AR - December 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Mr. Castleman was a great educator. He was not only well like but highly respected by his students. In my opinion, Mr Castleman made a big difference in many of us.

I will never forget his paddle. Hand made and used with skill. The ones of us that got the business end of it had it coming and never held any animosity.

I learned very much from Mr. Castleman and am forever grateful for what he passed on to me.

Roger Gravis

Roger Gravis - Little Rock, AR - November 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ It was such a shock to hear of Bro. Clayton's passing. Sis Carolyn your in our prayers. It was an honor to be his pastor. He will be missed by the entire community. (1Jn 5:4-5) 4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? Bro. Clayton has the victory! We'll get to see him again.

The Holmes Family - Kansas City, MO - Former Pastor - November 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Amanda: May the memories, laughs, good times and more of your father that you and your Mom shared provide you and Mrs. Castleman with comfort.

Oscar Adams Jr. - New Orleans, LA - Friend - November 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ So sorry for your loss. A life well lived and a man well loved. May the fond memories continue to provide comfort.

Doug Albrecht - St. Peters, MO - Co-worker of Amanda - November 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM