



## Clayton E. Cookston

October 8, 1937 - September 6, 2021

Clayton E. Cookston, 83, of DeMotte, IN, passed away on September 6, 2021 at Franciscan Health Crown Point. Clayton was born in Chattanooga, TN on October 8, 1937, the son of Hubert and Inez (Pickett) Cookston.

Clayton married his loving wife, Janice Thompson, on April 15, 2002 in Rensselaer, IN, and she survives.

Clayton was employed for 43 years as supervisor by Martin Oil in Alsip, IL. He was a member of the Kankakee Valley Christian Church and served as past elder as well. He was also affiliated with Gideons International, the National Redbone Coonhound Association, and the American Redbone Coonhound Association. Additionally, Clayton served on the Board of Direction for Oak Grove Christian Retirement Village. In his spare time, he really enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening.

Clayton is survived by his loving wife, Janice; children, Michael (Cindy) Cookston of Wheatfield, IN, Connie Davis of Hammond, IN, Janet (Jon) Colgrove of Hammond, IN, Charles (Cindy) Douthett of Kouts, IN, Ruth VanGilder of Buena Park, CA, Kim Kendrick of Wheatfield, IN; fifteen grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; siblings, Zamah Jacobus, Norman (Dean) Cookston, Jay (Patricia) Cookston; and many nieces and nephews.

Clayton was preceded in death by his parents, Hubert and Inez, a son,

Thomas Douthett, and one brother, Larry Cookston.

Friends may visit with the family from 10:00AM to 11:00AM on Saturday, September 18, 2021 at the Kankakee Valley Christian Church of Wheatfield. A Memorial Service will follow at 11:00AM at the Kankakee Valley Christian Church of Wheatfield with Pastor Tim Carey officiating.

\*\*Due to the rise in Covid illnesses, masks and social distancing is mandated at all times at the visitation and memorial service\*\*

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Kankakee Valley Christian Church 3110 W. IN 10 Wheatfield, IN 46392 and/or Gideons International, <https://www.sendtheword.org>

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte has been entrusted with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

SEP **18**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kankakee Valley Christian Church  
3110 W. IN 10  
Wheatfield, IN 46392

# Tribute Wall

JC

“ I love you daddy and will miss you every day, my life will NEVER be the same without you 💙💙💙 love you always and forever Jan

Janet Colgrove - September 19, 2021 at 08:02 PM

JK

“ Gene was a genuine man. I remember going out all night cleaning the Martin oil gas stations for early morning inspections. He never got riled. Sending peace to the family

Joseph kasper - September 09, 2021 at 09:34 PM

PM

So sorry about your dad Gene was a real nice guy. Will say a prayer for you guys

penny morrison - September 10, 2021 at 01:35 PM

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“ We send our sincere condolences to all of the family and pray God will send comfort to all of you. We are so sorry to hear this.  
Gary and Gayle Cookston

Gary Cookston - September 09, 2021 at 10:16 AM