



Earl Vernon Davis Obituary

November 16, 1927 - November 16, 2011

Earl Vernon Davis, 84, of Oak Ridge went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday November 16, 2011.

Mr. Davis was born on November 16, 1927 in Person County North Carolina to the late Charles Burch Davis, Sr. and Sadie Hawkins Davis. He was a veteran of the United States Army Air Corps and served as an armed courier in Paris France following World War II and before being transferred to Germany. Mr. Davis came to Oak Ridge in 1951 and he retired from ORNL, X-10, and K-25 after thirty eight years of service. He received numerous employment awards and citations for his contributions in special projects for NASA (space capsule), and research in radiography, holography, holograms, and lasers. Mr. Davis' hobbies included playing the harmonica, the guitar, piano, and banjo. He enjoyed working on televisions radios, and also enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening. He had been an avid crappie fisherman and enjoyed animals especially his dog "Bumpkin".

He is survived by his wife of 62 years Harriett Swanson Clayton, one son Daniel Anderson Davis, two daughters Darrell Ann Waltrip and Diane Lynn Davis, three grandsons, two great grandchildren and his siblings Charles Burch Davis, Jr., Elva Davis Long, Donald Lee Davis, Clifford Jackson Davis, Nancy Davis Satterfield, and Jerry Stanford Davis. Funeral service will be held Saturday November 19, 2011 2:00pm in the chapel of Martin Oak Ridge Funeral Home with Rev. Donald Davis officiating. Interment will follow at Woodhaven Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends before the service from 1:00 till 2:00pm.

In Lieu of flowers the family request memorial gifts be sent to the American Cancer Society P.O. Box 22718 Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718 or the Oak Ridge Animal Shelter 395 Belgrade Rd. Oak Ridge, TN 37830.

Comments



“ Sorry to hear about the passing of Earl. I am glad that I got to know him and still have fond memories. He was a very caring person with a good sense of humor. I can still see and hear his laugh.

Craig East - Lexington, KY - Ex-son-in-law - December 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Darrell,

Though I never had the honor of meeting your father, I know from our past conversations that he was an honorable man and very precious to you.

My deepest sympathy goes out to your and your family. You all remain in my thoughts and prayers. May God's loving comfort and peace surround & sustain you.

Love to you, my friend,

Robin

Robin Rose - Rutherfordton, NC - November 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Harriet & Family.....So sorry for your loss! I remember so well the laid back person that Vernon always was whenever we saw him. I always thought he was a wonderful husband and father, he seemed so to me! Vernon was always so much fun to be around. He will be forever missed.

Kathryn Clayton - Danville, VA - Sister-in-law - November 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM



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Dear Davis Family,

I'm sorry to read of your father's passing. It's been many, many years since I've seen or heard anything of your family, but I still remember growing up in the Woodland neighborhood in the 50's and 60's (such a long time ago). I think you once lived in a "block house" on Northwestern Ave. and then later on Manhatten just west of the shopping center, almost underneath that terribly loud 5:00 siren..... While I don't remember much about Darrell and Dianne, I always remember Danny as being a good "older brother" neighborhood friend.

Best wishes to all of your family,

Danny Brewer

Danny Brewer - Oak Ridge, TN - Woodland neighbor - November 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM