

## Reverend Douglas Mac Arthur Cline

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### *In Loving Memory*

Reverend Douglas Mac Arthur Cline, 74, of St. James, MO, was called home by God on Monday morning, November 21, 2016 as he prepared for an exciting week of deer hunting in Lewis County, WV with his brother. So, he was granted his final wish . . . to transition to Heaven while either worshipping at the pulpit or while spending time in the woods with his brother.

He blessed this earth and the lives of his parents when he was born in Huff Creek, WV on June 21, 1942 a son of the late Elliott Douglas Cline and Esther Gibson Cline.

On September 6, 1964 he married Linda Darlene Goodwill, who loved him beyond words and will miss him beyond measure after 52 years of marriage.

His giving, loving spirit will be carried on by his two children: Troy Douglas Cline and companion, Jeff Gilbert, of Washington, DC, and Regenia Lynn Stull and husband, Daniel, of St. James, MO; two grandchildren: Cassandra Hatcher and husband, Eli, of Steeleville, MO, and Christopher Stull of St. James, MO; one great granddaughter, Alice Hatcher; and a great

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granddaughter who is due to arrive into the world in April; two siblings: James Cline of Fairdell, WV, and Witcher Elliott "Pat" Cline of Oak Hill, OH; several nieces and nephews; and his beloved pets and loyal companions: Daisy and Hunter.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Mason Cline; and a sister-in-law, Phyllis Cline.

Doug's life was miraculous, full, and blessed. When doctors told his family that he wouldn't live past the age of eleven, God healed his heart because he had big plans for him. In return Doug lived his life to the fullest, personifying what it meant to live each moment Christ-like, with purpose and intention to change lives for the better.

Everywhere he went, he planted the seeds of Christ's love and touched lives in ways that defy explanation. He proudly played in the National Little League Baseball Championship in Cincinnati, OH. He was an honored veteran of the United States Air Force, having served in Europe and during Vietnam.

He also became a fast-pitched softball champion and trained to become a world-class boxing champion. While still serving in the military, he built two churches outside his military base in France. He spent 20 years working with the SW Indian Ministries for the Church of God, and helped build 57 worship centers on a Navajo Reservation in New Mexico, where he was adopted into the Navajo nation and was known by his friends as a horse whisperer.

He ministered at seven churches in OH and WV, worked as a coal miner in Logan County, WV, trained new ministers, coordinated youth camps, refurbished guns, collected knives, fished, camped, hiked, and gardened. Most of all, he loved his family, who were the greatest blessings in his life.

Doug's request for cremation has been honored and his family will have a Celebration of Life Service at a later date. Expressions of sympathy may be sent directly to his family at 15050 State Rt. B St. James, MO 65559-8406.

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The Pat Boyle Funeral Home and Cremation Service at 144 Hackers Creek Rd. in Jane Lew is honored and privileged to serve the family of Douglas Cline. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.patboylefuneralhome.com](http://www.patboylefuneralhome.com)