



Chester L. "Chet" Higbee

April 19, 1939 - September 27, 2024

Chester "Chet" L. Higbee, 85, passed away peacefully September 27, 2024. Chet joined the Navy in 1958 and served for 4 years with an honorable discharge. He then worked for Santa Fe Railroad before retiring with Kansas City Power & Light in 1994. After retirement, he began washing just a few windows, but it soon developed into a thriving business, Sparkle Clean Window Washing. In May 2004, he was ordained as a minister in the Southern Baptist Church. He served in two small congregations and frequently provided support when needed. Chet's hobbies included his passion for woodworking, fishing, and making people laugh. He never knew a stranger. Chet is survived by his loving wife of 63 years Vonda Higbee, daughters Christy Davis (Bill), and Cathy DeWolf; grandchildren, Cheree Tyner (Justin), Kindra Mellington (Mitch), Heather Heimsoth, and Jamie Davis (Candice); sister, Sharon Knutson (Gary); brother Les Higbee; and several great grandchildren; nieces and nephews. Chet is preceded in death by his parents, Everett Higbee and Roberta McCool; brother, Doug McCool; and granddaughter, Megan Noel.

A visitation will take place from 1:00-2:00 PM with Funeral services beginning at 2:00 PM Friday, October 4, 2024 at Maple Hill Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Maple Hill Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
3300 Shawnee Dr
Kansas City, KS 66106
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Funeral Service

OCT 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

VH

“ *Cathy, Sending prayers for you and your family. So sorry to hear about the loss of your father. Love, Bob and Veronica Howard*

Veronica Howard - October 05, 2024 at 12:41 PM

PS

“ *To "Chigbee" (my daughter's nickname for you which I don't think you ever liked), my dear, sweet, "kissin cousin". Loved you dearly, and I know you loved the Lord with all your heart. You always had a "servants" heart. You will be missed always, but so happy that you are now home with Jesus and the rest of our "Heavenly" family. Have so many great memories of you and times we spent together, from when you came to stay with us at the old house in Stanley before you and Vonda were married, you taking Rick and me fishing in LaCygne, you, Vonda, and Christie coming to our house on Sunday afternoons, and Dad grilling us hot dogs and hamburgers, Mom, Dad, Kyle and me coming in the motorhome to spend the weekend with you guys in Camdenton, you taking Kyle fishing while we were visiting, your Mom making you an apple pie for your birthday, us all playing cards, going to shows, and having breakfast at the restaurant on the lake. You always called me on Holidays, and came to visit me at our spa store the last day before we shut down for our Holiday vacation. You definitely got the Mackay since of humor, and we always could laugh together. Love you always, your "kissin cousin", Peggy*

Peggy Stroud - October 04, 2024 at 12:14 PM

LF

“ *Love, your Interim Hospice Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.*

Love, your Interim Hospice Family - October 03, 2024 at 11:17 PM

LF

“ Love, your Interim Hospice Family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.



Love, your Interim Hospice Family - October 03, 2024 at 11:17 PM

CJ

“ Candace, Jackson, Jace and Jamie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.

Candace, Jackson, Jace and Jamie - October 03, 2024 at 08:11 PM

CJ

“ Candace, Jackson, Jace and Jamie purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.



Candace, Jackson, Jace and Jamie - October 03, 2024 at 08:11 PM

CT

“ Gramps you were always there if we needed you. Fishing and shooting those snakes, and teaching me to take that fish off the hook. Washing windows and my short shorts got you more clients. Going for ice cream. You putting in cabinets in the house. Loving perm day and that smell I think was your favorite. You always wanted what was best even if I hated the lectures. Love ya gramps glad your home with Jesus!! Memories will last for ever I am lucky mom had me young cause I have tons of those for sure!!

Cheree tyner - October 03, 2024 at 06:51 AM

DD

“ Drew and Avis Davis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.

Drew and Avis Davis - October 01, 2024 at 09:39 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.



October 01, 2024 at 09:39 PM

DD

“ Dennis Davis purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.



Dennis Davis - October 01, 2024 at 09:34 PM

DD

“ *My deepest condolences to Vonda and the family.*

Dennis Davis - October 01, 2024 at 09:09 PM

RM

“ *Rick and Dana Mackay purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.*



Rick and Dana Mackay - October 01, 2024 at 07:15 PM

CD

“ *Thank you for being such a great dad. Love you forever.*



Cathy DeWolf - October 01, 2024 at 05:59 PM

TH

“ *Terry H. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.*

Terry H. - September 30, 2024 at 07:37 PM

TM

“ So, my cousin Chet, I remember when he and Vonda got married, they stayed with us a little while, I think I might have been 16. Always a kind and great human being. I will always remember him as such! RIP Chet.

Terry Mackay-Hasapis - September 30, 2024 at 07:33 PM



“ I love you Grandpa



Heather Heimsoth - September 30, 2024 at 07:19 PM

DF

“ Donna Faye and family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.

Donna Faye and family. - September 30, 2024 at 06:57 PM

DF

“ Donna Faye and family. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Chester L. "Chet" Higbee.



Donna Faye and family. - September 30, 2024 at 06:57 PM

JL

“ I met Chet and Maddie’s birthday party when she was little and all I can remember is he gave me a hug and told me and I had a good husband and that we needed to come visit and go fishing. He definitely had me laughing and smiling. He was a great man and will definitely be missed.

Jennifer Langdon - September 30, 2024 at 04:33 PM