



Sherman D. Cullum

June 26, 1937 - September 6, 2025

Sherman Delindell Cullum of Hickory Ridge, Arkansas, passed away from this earthly life on Saturday, September 6, 2025, at Phil and Flo Jones Hospice House in Jonesboro.

Sherman was born on June 27, 1937, in Piggott, Arkansas, to Jessie James Cullum and Imogene Hooks Cullum. He was baptized in 1948 at the Piggott Church of Christ. Sherman married Linda Swindle in 1961 in St Louis, Missouri. After a couple of stops along the way, they made their permanent home here in Hickory Ridge. Sherman was also a patriot, serving in the Arkansas National Guard for six years, as a Staff Sergeant. He was a graduate of Piggott High School, and of the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture where he was a member of the Alpha Beta Fraternity, from whom he eventually received the Distinguished Alumni Award. Sherman was inducted into the Arkansas Agriculture Hall of Fame in 2004. Sherman also served on the Arkansas State Plant Board for 20 years, where he served as chairman for the last 11 years. For 55 years, he hunted deer in Ravenden and fished for trout at the Roses Trout Dock in Norfolk, Arkansas.

He is the former owner of Cullum Seed Company in Fisher and Waldenburg and the Cullum Flying Service here in Hickory Ridge, as well as the Cullum Antique Classic Cars and Auto Sales. First and foremost, Sherman wanted to be known as a Christian, a follower of Jesus. Not a perfect man, but a forgiven

man. He and Linda were members of the Hickory Ridge Church of Christ where he served as an elder for many years.

Sherman is survived by his wife, Linda Swindle Cullum of the home. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister Betty Joyce Cullum Knuckles; and his son, Sherman D. Cullum, Jr., who was a graduate of Cross County High School and the Memphis College of Arts.

Visitation will be held Thursday, September 11, 2025, at Hickory Ridge Church of Christ from 8:30 AM until 10 AM with funeral services following at 10 AM. Burial will follow at Piggot Memorial Cemetery at 2:30 PM in Piggot.

Memorials may be made to the Sherman Cullum Scholarship at the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture; the Linda Cullum Scholarship at Crowley's Ridge College in Paragould, Arkansas; or any charity of their choice.

Kernodle Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may sign an online guestbook at www.kernodlefh.com

Cemetery Details

Piggot Memorial Cemetery

South 12 Avenue
Piggot, AR 72545

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Church of Christ
402 S 4th St,
Hickory Ridge, AR 72347

Funeral service

SEP 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

Hickroy Ridge Church of Christ
Hickory Ridge, Arkansas, AR

Interment

SEP 11. 2:30 PM (CT)

Piggot Memorial Cemetery
South 12 Avenue
Piggot, AR 72545

Tribute Wall

DD

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Cullum's passing. I just found this out. He was a good man, husband and father to my very good friend Lin. I will be praying for Mrs. Linda to have peace in her heart.

Donna Dhority - October 08, 2025 at 12:20 PM

RS

“ Sorry to hear of MR. Sherman Cullum passing. He did crop sprayng and provided seed for our family farm operation in his day. He was a very good man.

Rickey Stutts - September 11, 2025 at 10:42 AM

BF

“ Barry and Brenda Hester Family purchased the S trength & Solace Spray for the family of Sherman D. Cullum.



Barry and Brenda Hester Family - September 10, 2025 at 02:10 PM

BM

“ We were blessed to know Mr. Cullum for a lot of years. He was a joy to visit with and he will be missed by all who knew him. Mrs. Cullum, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Bob and Barbara Mariott

Barbara-Bob Mariott - September 09, 2025 at 06:45 PM

JM

“ So sorry our community lost a great man in Sherman. He was supportive of changes to improve our town and he supported local businesses here. Quiet and gentle but very knowledgeable about many things. He will be missed.

Jennifer Martin - September 09, 2025 at 06:05 PM

JS

“ **THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS FOR THE CULLUM FAMILY! MR. SHERMAN WAS ONE OF THE MANY GOOD MEN IN HICKORY RIDGE! WAS A TRUE FRIEND TO MY FAMILY!**

Joe Slocum - September 09, 2025 at 03:55 PM

BH

“ *My fondest memories of Sherman, go back to my senior year in high school. Sherman always encouraged us to get a college education. He grew up like our family, a son of a share cropper which meant getting money for college was no easy task. A phone call from Sherman, to the University of Arkansas help get a scholarship for me to attend the University, which I am sure was an act that changed my life forever.*

In 2002, we called Sherman about our son being diagnosed with brain cancer which lead to the Make a Wish foundation reaching out to us. Our interview with Make a Wish happened on a cold and rainy night and low and behold who shows up on our door step,... Sherman. He was there for the interview and when the ladies were leaving, I notice Sherman pulling out his checkbook and he wrote a check to the Make a Wish Foundation. Just another example of his generosity.

Through Sherman's encouragement and advise he has helped my family fulfill our dreams. My only regret is that we did not get to spend more time with him. He will be truly missed.

Our heart goes out to Linda sending her our love and prayers.

Barry and Brenda Hester Family

Brenda Hester - September 09, 2025 at 03:08 PM

BH

“ *Brenda Hester sent a virtual gift in memory of Sherman Cullum*



Brenda Hester - September 09, 2025 at 02:39 PM

CJ

“ So very sorry to hear about Sherman. Clarence worked for Sherman and Linda for 29 years at the flying service and seed company. We love them and miss them since we moved to Tn. Linda we are praying for you and we know we will see Sherman and Lin again. We love you. Clarence and Ann Johnson, Mt. Juliet, Tn

clarence and ann johnson - September 09, 2025 at 12:32 PM

BP

Linda we have been out of town we are sorry to hear about Sherman passing. Y'all have done so much for people and our little town Sherman will be missed by everyone are praying for you and love you

Billy and Rosemary Proctor - September 09, 2025 at 03:35 PM

JW

“ Find memories of this great man of God , may he rest in the arms of Jesus . Condolences & prayers for his lovely wife , Linda



James & Dottie Kirksey, Wells - September 09, 2025 at 11:13 AM

LF

“ Lavada Enis's Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sherman D. Cullum.



Lavada Enis's Family - September 09, 2025 at 10:45 AM

LR

“ I have so many fond memories of when Aunt Linda and Uncle Sherman would come to visit us, both in Arkansas and later in Mississippi. Sherman was good man, always with a smile on his face and a story to tell.

Rest in peace, Uncle Sherman.

Lisa (Wells) Rainey

Lisa Rainey - September 09, 2025 at 07:36 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sherman D. Cullum.



September 09, 2025 at 07:32 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sherman D. Cullum.

September 09, 2025 at 07:32 AM

LA

“ Linda, we're all saddened because of Sherm's passing but realize his passing is most acute for you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I really enjoyed working and visiting with Sherm and all the Cullum crew. Some people make a real impact on your life and Sherm was one of them. His Christian life was a testimony of his faith in our Lord and Savior. May God Bless and Strengthen you in the days ahead. Lanny & Bonnie Ashlock

Lanny Ashlock - September 08, 2025 at 10:12 PM



“ *I'll sure miss him. He was a really close good friend to my late husband Lynn Rodgers. I've been out of town and just now finding out about his passing*

Recia Rodgers - September 08, 2025 at 09:46 PM



“ *Sherman was a great asset to Bethany Church of Christ at Ravenden Springs and will be greatly missed but thanks to that blessed assurance we will see him on the other side*

Rick Kellett - September 08, 2025 at 07:59 PM