



William Thomas Cloer Jr.

September 15, 1939 - November 25, 2025

William Thomas Cloer, Jr., 86, left his earthly life to enter the presence of his Heavenly Father on Tuesday, November 25, 2025.

Tom was born in Sylva, North Carolina to the late William Thomas Cloer, Sr and Olyve Willis Cloer on September 15, 1939. He grew up in Welch, West Virginia, where he mastered the McDowell County ingenuity that was a blessing to anyone who ever needed an extra pair of hands, a creative fix or simply a role of duct tape.

With a heart that was surpassed only by his smile, Tom lived a life of abundant service and dedication to those he loved, and especially to First Baptist Church of St. Albans, where as a Trustee, he gave countless hours to its care, maintenance and safekeeping. He will be profoundly missed by his treasured Wednesday Work Crew.

Tom married the love of his life, Caroline Sue Stanley, on December 21, 1968, and they began a life of cherished companionship. Tom and Caroline loved cheering on the Marshall Thundering Herd, traveling, celebrating friends and most of all, their family.

As a graduate of Marshall University, Tom's career in personnel and human resources included time with Charleston Newspapers, Carbon Fuel Company,

Cedar Coal Company and John E. Amos Power Plant. He retired from Acordia Employer Services in 2003.

After the loss of his sweet Carol, Tom's greatest joy was spending time with his grandchildren, as napping buddy, chauffeur, tutor, coach, sport spectator and co-conspirator.

In addition to his parents and wife, Carol, he was preceded in death by his infant brother, John Willis Cloer. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, William Thomas "Tommy" Cloer, III and Sara Megan Cloer, granddaughter Mia Elizabeth Cloer, grandson Graham Elliot Cloer, sisters Elizabeth "Libby" Adkins and her husband Roger, Olivia Helms and her husband Tom, Joyce Adams and her husband Gary, brother-in-law William "Bill" Stanley and his husband Bob Gatarz. He is additionally survived by many nieces and nephews.

A service to celebrate the life of Tom Cloer will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at First Baptist Church of St. Albans with Rev. Joel M. Harpold officiating. Burial will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans.

A gathering of family and friends will be held one hour prior to the funeral service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Baptist Church of St. Albans Board of Trustees. (522 2nd Street, St. Albans, WV 25177)

You may visit Tom's tribute page at BartlettNicholsFuneralHome.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave.,

St. Albans is honored to serve the Cloer family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 2. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of St. Albans
2nd St & 6th Avenue
St. Albans, WV 25177

Celebration of Life

DEC 2. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Thomas Cloer Jr..*



December 01, 2025 at 11:15 AM



“ *GRW Engineers purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William Thomas Cloer Jr..*



GRW Engineers - December 01, 2025 at 08:14 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Thomas Cloer Jr..*



November 30, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ *Trey, Kat, Christian and Whit planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Thomas Cloer Jr..*

Trey, Kat, Christian and Whit - November 30, 2025 at 04:04 PM

OW

“ I worked with Tom at the Amos Plant in HR. He was a good man. I'm so sorry to hear about his passing. My condolences to Tommy and all of his family 😊

Ona Willard - November 28, 2025 at 11:36 PM

TC

“ Tommy, you're too little to remember when I babysat you because you were only two years old, but that's when I got to know your dad as well as I did. Of course I had already met your sweet, beautiful mother because she and my mom were first cousins. Your dad was never without a smile on his face! Such an interesting man and I enjoyed our conversations. My ❤️ to you, Sara, Mia, and Graham. (And to your Uncle Bill, too. He and I converse a lot on Facebook.)

Tanya Caldwell - November 28, 2025 at 03:11 PM

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“ Love John & Peggy Perusek & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Thomas Cloer Jr..

Love John & Peggy Perusek & Family - November 28, 2025 at 01:43 PM

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“ Love John & Peggy Perusek & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of William Thomas Cloer Jr..



Love John & Peggy Perusek & Family - November 28, 2025 at 01:43 PM

RR

“ Tom was a great example of leading a Christian life. He was a person who I looked up to by myself and so many others, serving as a role model. I remember him sitting up at McKinley Junior High/Middle School and Coleman Field watching Tommy and the First Baptist Church men’s softball team play. No matter the weather conditions. He was always there. And if you were on the opposing team he would rib you if you screwed up. My thoughts and prayers will be with Tommy and his family. We have lost a very good man.
Dr. Randy Robinson.

Randy Robinson - November 27, 2025 at 03:40 PM

RC

“ Bon Voyage old friend! We’ve been best friends for a lifetime and you are missed. See you on the other side!

Richard Clark - November 27, 2025 at 10:08 AM

DD

“ From Doug Drummer:
When time for the Christmas basket program and people would bring food items on Sunday mornings, after ushering at the service, Tom would meet me downstairs. We would turn the speaker on to listen to Joel’s message and sort all the food items. Not a lot of conversation, listen to Joel and sort. I could always count on him. The last time we returned to visit First Baptist, I went to the back of the church to see Tom. We spoke and he said “ What are you doing?”. I said “coming to see you.” He said, “ I need an usher.” I said “ Which row?”. He assigned me a row, gave me a plate and said, “Glad you are here, I needed somebody.”
Tommy, I truly enjoyed knowing, working with and having a friendship with your dad.

Doug Drummer - November 27, 2025 at 09:18 AM



“ Tommy and family, we are so sorry to learn of Tom’s passing. We will always remember his warmth and amazing smile. May you find comfort in your memories. Love from Elizabeth Barrows Elliott & family (Robert, Stephen, & Martin — my mom, Pam, was Caroline’s first cousin)

Elizabeth Elliott - November 26, 2025 at 09:04 PM