



## Clifford Lonneus Gordon

December 9, 1965 - May 19, 2024

Clifford Lonneus Gordon “Lonnie”, 58, of Nashville, Tennessee went home to be with our Lord on Sunday, May 19, 2024, while teaching abroad in Brazil, South America. He was born on December 9, 1965, in Valdosta, GA. to Harold Douglas Gordon, Sr. and Sandra Faye Gordon. He was raised in Chattanooga, TN, and graduated from Brainerd High School in 1984. Clifford served in the U.S. Navy for eight years, then worked in the healthcare field for several years. Clifford earned an Associate of Science degree in art from Chattanooga State, a Bachelor of Science degree in art from Tennessee State University, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in studio art from Memphis College of Art. He was an Associate Professor at Columbia State Community College. He taught various art classes such as Visual Arts, Art History, Painting, Drawing, Printmaking, and Foundation Studio. Clifford was a talented accomplished artist who shared his passion for art by conducting exhibitions throughout the southern region. He was known for producing amazing collages and paintings to draw viewers into a world informed by various ideas, traditions, and modern discourses. Clifford’s talents did not stop with the arts, he was a self-taught musician, where he taught himself to play guitar and piano. Through his passion for music, Clifford began playing and ministering through music at various churches. Clifford was a member of Faith Unlimited Christian Ministry under the leadership of the late Pastor David Hill. His love for praise and worship could be felt during any service. When ministering Clifford often shared that praise and worship begin when you have

a true relationship with Christ. He encouraged others to begin the journey to strengthen their relationship with Christ. He enjoyed traveling to Brazil and teaching himself to speak Portuguese, where he wanted to immerse himself in the culture and not be viewed as just a tourist. He will truly be missed by his family, friends, and students. Clifford was preceded in death by his sister, Yonata Kael Gordon, and father-in-law, Elmer Lee Mayes. Survivors include his loving wife of 24 years Dr. Andeanita S. Gordon; children, Alaya A. L. Gordon, Akia I. Gordon, Zion I. Gordon, and Christian I. Gordon all of Nashville, TN, NeKeidria Gordon of Chattanooga, TN, Ayuna Gordon of Charleston, S.C., Shalisa Gordon of Jacksonville, FL; grandchildren Jordan and Amelia Malveaux of Chattanooga, TN and Aria Patterson of Charleston, S.C.; mother, Sandra Faye Gordon, and father, Harold Douglas Gordon, Sr. both of Chattanooga, TN; siblings, Gerald (Donna) Gordon of Knoxville, TN, Harold Gordon, Jr. of Honolulu, HI, Sharon (Oliver) Parks, Michael (Erica) Gordon, Emeri (Monica) Gordon all of Chattanooga, TN; mother-in-law, Joan Fentress of Nashville, TN; sister-in-law, LaShonda Fentress of Clarksville, TN; brother-in-law, Deshaun Fentress of Memphis, TN; four aunts and three uncles; numerous nieces, nephews, and a multitude of cousins and other relatives. The family will receive friends on Friday, June 7, 2024, from 10–11 a.m. at Orchard Knob Missionary Baptist Church. Funeral service will follow at 11:30 a.m. at the church with Reverend Dr. Lenton C. Mitchell, Jr. as the eulogist. Burial in Chattanooga National Cemetery. Arrangements are by Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc.

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# Cemetery Details

## Chattanooga National Cemetery

1200 Bailey Ave  
Chattanooga, TN 37404

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Orchard Knob Missionary Baptist Church  
1734 E 3rd St  
Chattanooga, TN 37404

## Service

JUN 7. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Orchard Knob Missionary Baptist Church  
1734 E 3rd St  
Chattanooga, TN 37404

# Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Monica Freitas lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



Monica Freitas - September 15, 2024 at 11:03 AM



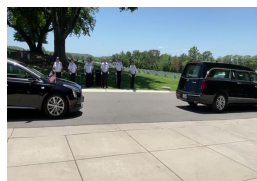
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Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc. - June 15, 2024 at 07:15 PM



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Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc. - June 15, 2024 at 07:15 PM

MF

*I miss you my friend.  
I miss you*

Monica Freitas - September 15, 2024 at 02:38 PM

NR

“ Nickie Reese lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon



Nickie Reese - June 07, 2024 at 11:39 AM

BB

“ Brack & Kendra Biggs purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.



Brack & Kendra Biggs - June 07, 2024 at 09:50 AM

K&

“ Keith &. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.

Keith &. - June 06, 2024 at 10:19 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.



June 06, 2024 at 03:01 PM

JM

“ Josh, Rachel, and Fisher Mason planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.

Josh, Rachel, and Fisher Mason - June 06, 2024 at 03:01 PM

ET

“ Ethel lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon



Ethel - June 06, 2024 at 02:26 PM

ET

“ From day one, your names was forever changed ! “Pretty Boy , Your Aunt Ethel, I love you and Our Father Loves you best , Take your Rest now in his arms.

Ethel - June 06, 2024 at 02:25 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.



June 06, 2024 at 01:21 PM

TB

“ TN School for the Blind planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.

TN School for the Blind - June 06, 2024 at 01:21 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.



June 06, 2024 at 10:12 AM

TF

“ The Ledbetter & Transley Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.

The Ledbetter & Transley Families - June 06, 2024 at 10:12 AM

SM

“ Sabrina McClure purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.



Sabrina McClure - June 06, 2024 at 09:30 AM

TA

“ From Catrelle & Tara Henderson: Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mrs. Sandra Gordon, Mrs. Andeanita Gordon, and the entire Gordon Family. We are so very sorry for your loss. Our family will keep your family lifted in prayer.



Tara - June 05, 2024 at 11:45 PM

FH

“ From Catrelle & Tara Henderson purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.



From Catrelle & Tara Henderson - June 05, 2024 at 11:39 PM

FH

“ From Catrelle & Tara Henderson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.

From Catrelle & Tara Henderson - June 05, 2024 at 11:39 PM

MB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.



Mo Bird - June 05, 2024 at 05:27 PM

CF

“ *Chattanooga Area Schools FCU purchased the S imply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.*



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**Chattanooga Area Schools FCU** - June 05, 2024 at 02:36 PM

CF

“ *Chattanooga Area Schools FCU planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.*

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**Chattanooga Area Schools FCU** - June 05, 2024 at 02:36 PM

VB

“ *Vincinetta Brown lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Vincinetta Brown** - June 05, 2024 at 01:13 PM

VB

*Our thoughts and prayers are with the Gordon and Parks families.*

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**Vincinetta Brown** - June 05, 2024 at 01:16 PM

SL

“ *My thoughts and prayers for you and your family. With love from Sarah Lawrence.*



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**Sarah Lawrence** - June 05, 2024 at 09:00 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.*



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June 04, 2024 at 07:48 PM



“ *Radee Shakir & Knox-Lindley Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.*

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**Radee Shakir & Knox-Lindley Family** - June 04, 2024 at 07:48 PM



“ *Stephanie Saxton lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Stephanie Saxton** - June 04, 2024 at 07:09 PM



*Our prayers and condolences go out to Sharon and her family in your time of sorrow. Praying you'll have the peace of God, and the comfort of His Spirit as you go through this time of sorrow. Blevins and Stephanie Saxton*

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**Stephanie Saxton** - June 04, 2024 at 07:34 PM

KJ

“ *Kim Jack lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Kim Jack** - June 04, 2024 at 03:12 PM

MD

“ *Melony Davis lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Melony Davis** - June 04, 2024 at 03:09 PM

AW

“ *Angela Ward lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Angela Ward** - June 04, 2024 at 03:07 PM

DS

“ *Division of Humanities & Social Sciences purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.*



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**Division of Humanities & Social Sciences** - June 04, 2024 at 01:49 PM

DS

“ *Division of Humanities & Social Sciences planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clifford Lonneus Gordon.*

Division of Humanities & Social Sciences - June 04, 2024 at 01:49 PM

LS

“ *Laura Smith lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



Laura Smith - June 04, 2024 at 07:42 AM

LS

*My thoughts are with you and your family during this extremely difficult time!*

Laura Smith - June 04, 2024 at 07:44 AM

FA

“ *Our prayers and condolences are with the family as mourn the loss of your loved one. Praying for strength. With sympathy and love. Bobby & Frankie Anderson*



Frankie Anderson - June 03, 2024 at 10:08 PM

AW

“ *Andrea Word lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Andrea Word** - June 03, 2024 at 06:37 PM

WL

“ *William Linkens lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**William Linkens** - June 03, 2024 at 05:50 PM

RH

“ *Reginia Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Reginia Hamilton** - June 03, 2024 at 05:04 PM

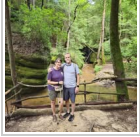
LH

“ *Laretta Harrison lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Laretta Harrison** - June 03, 2024 at 04:44 PM



“ *Professor Gordon made me smile when he would bring a student into Pryor Art Gallery to share their amazing art with me. The Student & Faculty show we held in March was a huge success with a lot of participation. He was so proud of his students' art! My deepest condolences to the family. I only knew him for two years, and the loss is heavy. He will be greatly missed in the hallways, the benches outside our building enjoying the sun, in the gallery, and in the art studio room.*



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**Lisa Hoffman** - June 03, 2024 at 03:03 PM

JB

“ *Jelayne B. lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon*



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**Jelayne B.** - June 03, 2024 at 11:39 AM

EA

“ I just recently graduated from Clifford Gordon’s class. He was the most talented, thoughtful, kind, and genuine people I had ever met. I feel truly blessed to have known him, and to have learned so much from him. My time at school was made worthwhile by having him as my professor. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. My condolences,  
Emma



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**Emma Akridge** - June 01, 2024 at 12:28 AM

LH

Emma, it was wonderful to have your art in Pryor Art Gallery this past Spring with Professor Gordon. He was very proud of his students' work and the Student & Faculty show was a real blessing to him. Lisa Hoffman, curator

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**Lisa Hoffman** - June 03, 2024 at 10:07 AM

MB

“ Marilyn Brown lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon



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**Marilyn Brown** - May 30, 2024 at 10:50 PM

VW

“ As a former student, I really appreciate Mr. Gordon’s amazing teachings, love and passion for his profession. I’m so sorry to hear about his passing. May the special memories you made together help you through this difficult time. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.



*With warmest regards and deepest condolences,  
Valissa White*

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**Valissa White** - May 29, 2024 at 05:26 PM

RS

“ Love and Prayers from the Knox-Lindley Family 🙏🙏

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**radee shakir** - May 27, 2024 at 05:48 PM

FA

“ Our prayers and condolences are with the family. Bobby & Frankie Anderson



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**Frankie Anderson** - May 25, 2024 at 06:11 PM

ID

“ Ivonya Douglas lit a candle in memory of Clifford Lonneus Gordon



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**Ivonya Douglas** - May 24, 2024 at 10:49 PM

ID

*He was my first high school boyfriend and I'm going to miss him dearly, we both lived in Cromwell and that's where we met, he drew a portrait of me while we dated but he wanted to keep it because I had a navy picture of him. We had fun always smiling and laughing with one another and I fell in love with the whole family. I'm sending my condolences to the family of my ex - boyfriend Lonnie , and to Lonnie wife and kids may God keep y'all strong,, to ms Sandra (mom) and his siblings Lonnie is sleep he never want you y'all to grieve but smile , laugh , speak his name as if he never left. Love Forever More BAE-BAE, but Lonnie always called me by my first name IVONYA . I'll continue to pray for healing.*

**Ivonya Douglas** - May 24, 2024 at 11:08 PM



*I am going to miss you Cliff. It was truly pleasure to know you. K.B. Webster*

**K.B. Webster** - May 27, 2024 at 02:04 PM

CB

*I send heartfelt sympathy and prayers for strength to his family whom he spoke of often. He will truly be missed. Chiquita Bullock, Columbia State*

**Chiquita Bullock** - May 28, 2024 at 01:21 PM

HT

*I would like to extend my sincerest condolences to Sharon, Michael, and the entire Gordan family in the loss of your loved one. Though I did not have the opportunity to meet Clifford, it is evident that he was a wonderful person who touched many lives. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

*Sincerely,  
Holly Toney*

**Holly Toney** - May 30, 2024 at 12:34 PM