

## Clifford Odell Crabtree

**BIRTH** 18 Aug 1932  
Kentucky, USA

**DEATH** 23 Feb 2001 (aged 68)  
Hoopeston, Vermilion County, Illinois, USA

**BURIAL** Floral Hill Cemetery  
Lovejoy Township, Iroquois County, Illinois, USA

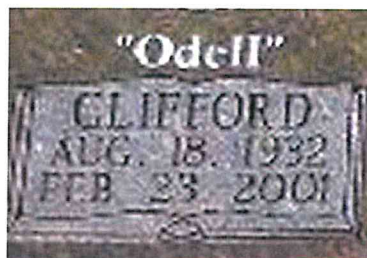
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Clifford Odell Crabtree, a community leader, died 7:35 a.m. Friday February 2, 2001, at age 68, Hoopeston, Illinois, of Mesopotamian Lung Cancer from asbestos.

Mr. Crabtree was born August 18, 1932, at Gapple, Kentucky, a son of Hamp and Della Garner Crabtree. He married Dolores Johnson on June 6, 1954, at Hoopeston. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Charisse (Bob) Cromwell Della (Dave) Lawson, four sons, Leslie Crabtree, Warren (Stephanie) Crabtree, Tim (Kathy) Crabtree, and Clifford (Michelle) Crabtree, 18 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, three brothers, Gene (Wanda) Crabtree, Bill (Barb) Crabtree, and Robert (Carol) Crabtree and a sister, Doris Collins. Several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister.

Mr. Crabtree was raised in Ambia, Indiana, and attended Ambia schools. He served in the Army from 1953 to 1955. He was a supervisor for John Deere in Hoopeston for over 25 years. He then started H.O.W. Construction in 1978.

He was extremely active serving his community and was the first JCI Senator of the Hoopeston Jaycees. In 1965 he was voted an outstanding young person of America. He had been part of the Jaycees for more than over 40 years, serving as chairman for the National Sweetheart Pageant, and was a president, state district, vice president, treasurer and director of the National Sweetcorn Festival.

Mr. Crabtree was a past president of Hoopeston Little League, a scout master, chairman of Grant Township Red Cross and was active in United Way. He served as an alderman in Hoopeston for several years and was a member of Hoopeston American Legion and First Christian Church of Hoopeston.

A gentle man he always had time to enjoy his family. He will be missed by family and friends as well.

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## Inscription

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## Family Members

### Parents



Hamp L. Crabtree  
1908–1995



Della May Crabtree  
1912–1998

### Siblings



F. Gene Crabtree  
1935–2015

### Children



Leslie Lee Crabtree  
1955–2020



Clifford Odell Crabtree  
1966–2022

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