



Mr. Chilton Lynford Gates

March 16, 1918 - September 15, 2017

Chilton Lynford Gates, 99, a retired pilot for Phillips Petroleum Company, passed away at his home in Bartlesville on September 15, 2017.

Chilton was born on March 16, 1918 in Eminence, Missouri to parents John and Clara (Chilton) Gates. Chilton proudly served his country during WWII as a flight instructor and pilot. He was a life member of the Bartlesville American Legion and CBI.

Chilton is survived by his wife Mary and numerous relatives.

A private family service will be held. Cremation by Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Chilton Lynford Gates*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Mr. Chilton Lynford Gates*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I had the privilege of flying as a copilot with Chilton from 1976 thru 1983 when he retired. During that time I always found him to be a likable and fair man.*

He always carried a little black book that was full of information like the almanac. He could tell you how much water was in a quarter inch rain over one acre. He also recorded everyones birthday and anniversary in the department. Even after retirement he would call to wish me a happy birthday.

He loved traveling to Florida and Judie & I flew with him on his last trip to Miami and we took him & Nancy down to spend a night in Key West. When we returned to Bartlesville, all the aviation department was standing in the hangar to welcome him home from his last company flight. Then we had a grand reception for the two of them.

Chilton was a good man. Everyone should remember him for his kind ways. He was especially proud of his children and they of him.

As Chilton used to say, "Don't stretch your glide!" He never did.

Jim & Judie Nordhues, Bartlesville, ok.

Jim Nordhues - September 21, 2017 at 05:54 PM

HW

“ Loved his dice trick and all his jokes. He was a good man and took good care of my Grandma. Love and light to him. May he walk among the blessed forever

Heather White - September 21, 2017 at 03:58 PM

RB

“ Fly high Captain.....until we meet again. Robin Lee

Robin Betts - September 18, 2017 at 09:16 PM

CG

“ Too many comments to post here.

Cheryl Gates

Cheryl Gates - September 18, 2017 at 04:10 AM

MM

“ Believe we met Mr. Gates once some time ago. A WW2 pilot friend asked me if he was ever stationed in India and if so, when, where, what division and squad? Friend flew C46 flying boxcars loaded with gasoline for fighting tigers in China.

Thanks for his honorable service. Regards to family.

Mike Maloney

Mike Maloney - September 17, 2017 at 06:54 PM