



Ernest Clifton Crawley

December 26, 1935 - February 24, 2026

Ernest Clifton Crawley aka “Kip”, at the grand age of 90 years old transitioned peacefully at McGuire VA Medical Center, Richmond, Virginia on February 24, 2026. He was surrounded in prayer by his beloved nephew Irving Paige, Sr.

Kip was born on December 26, 1935, in Charles City County, Virginia and was the baby boy to the late Willie & Gladys Crawley. He was preceded in death by the love of his life of 62 years, Lois Charity; his siblings, Willie Mae, Pearl, Mack, Ben, Goldie and Vernon.

At an early age, Kip accepted The Lord at Gilfield Baptist Church. He was educated in the Charles City County School System and received his GED in the U.S. Army, where he served as a PFC during the Korean War. Although he worked several different jobs, he truly learned the art of cabinetry when working for Richardson Cabinet Shop in New Kent County, where he worked until he retired. He absolutely loved fishing, gospel music especially anything Jimmy Swaggart, working in his garden during his spare time, and talking to friends on the phone. He was a long-standing member of the American Legion Post 61 and earned the title as their Top Gun Recruiter.

Along with his many jobs, he also went by many names. He was known to many as Kip, Coaster, Top Gun, Poppa Kip, Mr. Kip, Uncle Kip and probably other names that wouldn't be appropriate to mention here. When passing by,

you would often see him scootin' along on his red scooter visiting whoever he could.

He even at one point, started loading his scooter on the back of his truck so he could get around. Once he learned how to work his cell phone, he'd always have gospel music playing on YouTube. He was even, probably, the only person from Charles City that you could see cutting his grass if you ever searched for his home address on Google Earth.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving daughter at heart, Zona Miles; three grandchildren at heart, Clyde (Nichelle), Craig (Micheala), and Kristen (Alphonso); nine great-grandchildren at heart, and ten great-great grandchildren at heart; his nephews, Irving, Sr. (Bettie), Pike (Vickie), Walter, Butch (Carolyn), and Alan (Sandra); nieces, Brenda (James), Dora (Steve), Samantha ,and Kim. He was incredibly loved and also leaves behind many devoted friends and relatives that took the time to either visit, chat on the phone and often brought him food.

A funeral service will be held 2PM Sunday, March 8, 2026, at Vincent Funeral Home 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140. Interment to follow in the Gilfield Baptist Church Cemetery. Repast will follow interment in the church fellowship.

Cemetery Details

Gilfield Baptist Church Cemetery

6640 Church Ln.
Charles City, VA 23030

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge Chapel
9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Forge, VA 23140
(804) 966-7075

Tribute Wall

NP

“ Neil Christian Aka " Lil Patty" lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Neil Christian aka " Lil Patty" - March 16 at 02:21 PM

NP

My condolences to Uncle Kip's family. I have known him all of my life. He was a close dear friend of my dad and during my summers in Charles City, I was guaranteed to see him. Its been several years since seeing him, but I remember him well from the days of my youth. I knew many members of his family including his sisters, mother and nephews. Expressions of sympathy to all. He was a colorful personality and will be missed. Sincerely, Neil" Lil Patty" Christian

Neil Christian aka " Lil Patty" - March 16 at 02:29 PM

MC

“ I miss him very much and he is good Guy . He is very funny always smile .. He is rest peace enter heaven now . Marcia crawley



Marcia crawley - March 09 at 10:52 AM

TU

“ *Mr.Kip
I wish I could have one more conversation, joke , laughter and hug
with you! I miss you already! 😞 You kept me going and you didn't
even know it...you were the wind beneath my wings...😞❤️ Fly High
Mr. KIP. I LOVE YOUUU!!!❤️💙❤️💙*



Tracie Upshaw - March 08 at 09:21 PM

TU

*Rest in Heaven Mr. Kip!! Until we meet again!💙❤️💙❤️
Love, Tracie*

Tracie Upshaw - March 09 at 08:12 AM

RJ

“ *Robert Jones lit a candle in memory of Ernest
Clifton Crawley*



Robert Jones - March 08 at 01:58 PM

JG

“ *Joyce Lillian Ghee lit a candle in memory of
Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Joyce Lillian Ghee - March 08 at 01:32 PM

KB

“ *Uncle Kip, you will be missed. Condolences to the family.* ”



Kathy C Baker - March 08 at 12:07 PM



“ *Fly high cousin Kip* ”



Elwin Black - March 07 at 11:52 PM

TJ

“ *Tammy Crawley Jones lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley* ”



Tammy Crawley Jones - March 06 at 02:50 PM

CR

“ *Condolences to the Family on the passing of a dear friend RIP 📖 Kip 🙏* ”



Chrisant A Richard - March 06 at 11:39 AM

RJ

May god bless the family

Robert Jones - March 08 at 09:27 AM

NJ

My condolences to the family.

Nancy Jones - March 08 at 03:59 PM

CF

“ *My deepest condolences to the family. I love papa Kip. Always smiling always had jokes.*

Love Corlisse Cokie Calhoun and Family

Corlisse El Fakhri - March 05 at 01:16 PM



BH

“ *Bonnie Hudler lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley*

Bonnie Hudler - March 04 at 09:54 PM



HC

“ *Hugo Charity lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley*

Hugo Charity - March 04 at 11:26 AM



EC

“ To the Family we remembered when cousin Skip worshipped and ushered at New Vine. He always had a warm and welcoming spirit. We all loved him and he will be missed. We thank God for him. Sending prayers and condolences to you all.



Eugene and Judy Crump - March 04 at 10:07 AM

GJ

“ Take your rest Uncle Kip! I know you cutting up with Nana, Aunt Cora, Cam and for sure Pokie!

Gena Jones - March 04 at 02:59 AM

RJ

May god bless the family

Robert Jones - March 04 at 03:24 PM

LJ

“ Lisa Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Lisa Jones - March 04 at 02:18 AM

FB

“ *Cousin Kip will be missed. He has been healed.
Prayers lifted for all.*

Felicia & Bert



Felicia P. Brown - March 03 at 11:32 PM

DA

“ *Kip was always a kind and funny man. He
always had a joke and a smile for me.*



Darlene M Adkins - March 03 at 07:56 PM

DP

“ *Doreen Presley lit a candle in memory of
Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Doreen Presley - March 03 at 06:02 PM

YB

“ *Yonne Bradby lit a candle in memory of
Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Yonne Bradby - March 03 at 05:33 PM

BP

“ Kip..I find myself standing at the door waiting for sight of you coming down the road on your scooter. You never could get the blue tooth going, just listened to it as is. Wanted me to find some gospel song concerning missing your mama. You and I argued over everything while I was finding something good for you to eat. You'd get mad when I teased you had caught a fish even though it wasn't in the boat yet!! So many different memories, so little time. I love you and I'll miss you so much....Elaine Paige



bettie paige - March 03 at 04:22 PM

FG

“ Freddie & Pamela Ghee lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Freddie & Pamela Ghee - March 02 at 05:47 PM

SJ

“ Silene Crawley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Silene Crawley Johnson - March 02 at 09:04 AM

TU

“ *Tracie Upshaw lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Tracie Upshaw - March 01 at 07:47 PM

TU

“ *Mr. KIP...I'm already miss visiting you and the conversations we always had. The meals and laughter that got you through some days. I will always cherish the moments I had with you! Rest in Heaven! Until we meet again ❤️*
Love, Tracie Upshaw

Tracie Upshaw - March 01 at 07:42 PM

IP

I will never forget your love and care for Kip, I can still see the enjoyment he got from reading your valentine card that he kept on the table. May God richly bless you for sharing your love

Irving Paige - March 02 at 05:53 PM

TU

Yes....he cherished his Valentines Day card. 🥰🙏

Tracie Upshaw - March 03 at 01:48 PM

BG

May God bless all of you and keep you, during this time of grief and sorrow. Remember, "Ain't it funny how memories linger on, long after you are gone. Those precious memories that will make all of you cry, but you keep holding on to them because God prepared all of us, that's why." You were blessed to have his stories and laughter, they too will sustain you.

*Family is forever,
Phyllis Charity, and her girls: Julie, Bonnie,
Joie, Sharon, Linda and
Marsha*

Bonnie Gardner - March 04 at 06:09 AM

IP

So true, thank you Bonnie💕

Irving paige - March 06 at 12:11 AM

LJ

“ *RIP Cousin Kip, Gone But Not Forgotten*



Lisa Jones - March 01 at 01:35 PM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - March 01 at 07:09 AM

TS

“ *Tomya Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Tomya Smith - February 28 at 12:11 PM

WM

“ *Rest In Peace Cuz Kip!* 🙏

William Miles - February 28 at 11:40 AM

KT

“ *Kenneth Tabb lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Kenneth Tabb - February 28 at 08:48 AM

EC

“ *Edith Crawley lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley*



Edith Crawley - February 28 at 07:48 AM

AJ

“ Anthony And Ebony Jones lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Anthony and Ebony Jones - February 28 at 04:10 AM

CP

“ Rest in Peace cousin RIP.



Charlotte Peterson - February 27 at 10:32 PM

BJ

“ Butch & Susie Jones lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Butch & Susie Jones - February 27 at 09:00 PM

WB

“ Warren And JoAnne Bell lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Warren and JoAnne Bell - February 27 at 08:45 PM

VG

“ Rest in Heavenly Peace Kip



Valerie Bowman Gardner - February 27 at 08:45 PM

AB

“ Rest in Peace, Cousin Kip. You will be sorely missed💕💕.



Adrienne Crawley Burrell - February 27 at 05:08 PM

SM

“ I will always remember you, Even when My Heart is Blue, You were So Kind and Soft Spoken, Always wanting to Share your Vegetables from your Garden with me, always saying” Turn around in the yard, don’t back out in that road. I hadn’t seen you in awhile, but always asked about you. You said you wanted to live to get 90, and God granted you your Wish. I adopted you and Called you Dad, and that’s all I have to say about that. Kip I Will always Love You, Rest Easy Soldier, Thanks for Just Being You. Love Sharon



Sharon Miffin - February 27 at 04:10 PM

GA

Rest in peace Kip. I will miss you.

Gloria Allen - March 03 at 04:34 PM

CD

“ Carson G. Daugherty sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Carson G. Daugherty - February 27 at 03:57 PM

VC

“ VA Home Based Primary Care lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



VA Home Based Primary Care - February 27 at 01:58 PM

RJ

May god bless the family

Robert Jones - February 27 at 03:34 PM

JW

“ Jessica White lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Jessica White - February 27 at 01:47 PM

SM

“ Sara Miles lit a candle in memory of Ernest Clifton Crawley



Sara Miles - February 27 at 01:18 PM

MK

“ To the Family of Mr. Crawley,
May our Lord bless and comfort you during this time of grief.
Heaven has gained a beautiful soul and now there's an angel
protecting you. Sending prayers for peace and solace. I pray his
soul is resting in eternal peace.

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also
in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so,
would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for
you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and
take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.” John
14:1-3

Missionary Kitchen - February 27 at 12:44 PM

BG

May God bless you and keep you during this time of sorrow.
Bonnie Gardner

Bonnie Gardner - February 27 at 09:52 PM

CJ

My condolences to the family 🙏

Claudine Alphonse Jones - March 02 at 10:09 PM