

## Mr. Clovis OJ Britton

September 11, 1927 - October 5, 2022

Funeral services for Mr. O.J. Britton, 95, of Carthage, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 7, 2022, at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Freddy Mason officiating. Burial and Masonic Rites will follow in the County Line Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Visitation will be 6:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday night at Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Mr. Clovis O.J. Britton was born on Sunday, September 11, 1927, in the Dotson Community of Panola County, Texas. He passed this life on Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at his Carthage, Texas home. O.J. was one of four children born to the marriage of Relous Mose and Bernice Dillard Britton. He was raised and schooled in Carthage graduating with the Bulldog class of 1945. He obtained his bachelor's in mathematics and a minor in physics at Stephen F. Austin State University in 1951. Mr. Britton served his country through the U. S. Navy. O.J. married his love Nelda Janice Tinkle on Friday, May 26, 1950, and they celebrated 64 years of marriage and four children before she preceded him in death in 2014.

Mr. Britton worked in seismology as a geo-physicist. He traveled extensively in his career across the globe setting up seismology labs worldwide. Much of his career was in Albuquerque, New Mexico where he began the Roadrunner Little League still active today and a baseball field named after him for his service to the league. O.J. was an active member of the Carthage Masonic Lodge A.M.& F.M. and the Carthage Noon Lions Club. Both organizations awarded him accolades in longevity of membership, dedication, and service

awards. He was a longtime member of the Cedar Grove Baptist Church. He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Bill Britton and Ray Drost, sister, Leona Britton Entwistle and son in law, Les Wood.

Mr. Britton is survived by his children, Tony Britton and wife Donna of Longview, Donna Wood of Beckville, Clay Britton of Carthage, and Stacey Britton of Carthage; brother, Joe Dean Britton of New Boston; granddaughter, Nicole Wood; great grandchildren, Deven Hardie, Ashton Raabe, Dawton Pierce, Slayton Pierce, Ethan Kelley, Martin Kelley, Alena Pierce, and Willow Pierce; numerous great great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a host of friends.

# Cemetery Details

## County Line Cemetery

Rusk/Panola County Line, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **6**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel  
307 W Wellington St.  
Carthage, Tx

## Funeral Service

OCT **7**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel  
307 W Wellington St.  
Carthage, Tx

# Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton



Hawthorn Funeral Home - October 06, 2022 at 01:30 PM

KP

*I knew O. J. from the Shrine. I never saw him that he wasn't smiling. He was a dedicated Mason and Shriner. He always made my visits to the Panola County Shrine Club special.*

Kenneth Pierce - October 06, 2022 at 08:45 PM

JB

*O J was the best ( Big Brother ) one could ever have. Loved him for 84 years*

Joe Dean Britton - October 08, 2022 at 11:50 AM

EH

“ Stacey, Nikki, and Donna, I'm so sorry I didn't know sooner, Mr. Britton was such a nice person. No matter where we were when I ran into him he always remembered who I was and had the nicest things to say. I'm so sorry for y'all's loss. Love y'all always Evelyn (Willis) Harvey

Evelyn J Harvey - October 24, 2022 at 07:40 PM

DB

“ O. J. was a good friend. Enjoyed his Shrine work. Donald and Margaret Bates

Donald Bates - October 08, 2022 at 10:58 PM

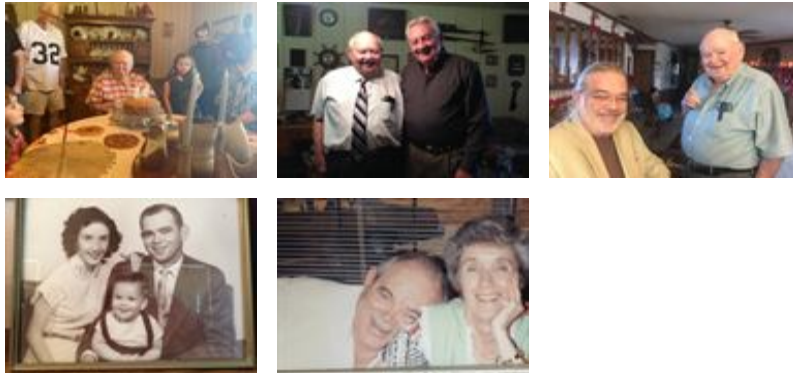
EH

Hey I'm so sorry Stacey and Nicole for your loss! I just saw this! Prayers!!!!

Evelyn J Harvey - October 13, 2022 at 09:51 PM



“ 11 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - October 06, 2022 at 05:11 PM

JL

“ Jerry and Jean (With all our love) purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.



Jerry and Jean (With all our love) - October 06, 2022 at 02:02 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.*



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October 06, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *34 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Hawthorn Funeral Home** - October 06, 2022 at 01:18 PM



“ *Larry and Vicki Sexton purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.*



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**Larry and Vicki Sexton** - October 06, 2022 at 12:22 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.*



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October 06, 2022 at 10:55 AM



“ *Our family and many others lost a dear friend (OJ Britton) early this morning. Not only a friend, but a part of our family for many years with our association with Roadrunner Little League here in the NE Heights/Albuquerque. One of the founders of RRLL, you could find him there just about every evening and Saturdays from Mid February and into August each year. It seems he was either the Board Chairman or President from the first time I met him in the early 70s until his retirement and move back to Texas to take care of his Mom. From the time we met, we bonded and had a very special relationship that I have always cherished. When he wasn't doing some kind of improvement at the fields, you would also find him umpiring behind the plate many days during the week and a few on Saturdays as well. A True gentleman, kind, caring, and giving man to our RRLL families. We loved him and his wife Janice (Gecie) dearly and send our love and prayers to all of his family in East Texas. Heaven has received another powerful angel!!*

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**Lyle and Esther Russell** - October 05, 2022 at 09:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.*



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October 05, 2022 at 08:28 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.*



October 05, 2022 at 07:10 PM



“ *1 file added to the album OJ and Lyle*



**Lyle Russell** - October 05, 2022 at 05:52 PM



“ *Lyle, Esther, Greg and Mike Russell purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Clovis OJ Britton.*



**Lyle, Esther, Greg and Mike Russell** - October 05, 2022 at 05:46 PM



“ *My condolences.*



**Kim Henigan** - October 05, 2022 at 04:49 PM