



Clyde Taylor Obituary

Clyde Taylor III

Clyde Taylor III of St. Simons Island, Georgia, passed away peacefully at his home on Nov. 25.

Clyde was born on April 17, 1933, in [Brunswick, Georgia](#), to Clyde Taylor II and Hildreth Fricks Taylor. He grew up in Historic Brunswick at 8 Hanover Square. Clyde's father served as mayor of Brunswick from 1972-1980.

Clyde graduated from Glynn Academy in 1951 and enrolled at Georgia Tech. He graduated in 1955 as a distinguished military graduate with a bachelor of science in electrical engineering. After graduation, he served in the U.S. Army Chemical Corps stationed at Ft. McClellan, Alabama. In 1956, he entered the Allis-Chalmers Graduate Training Program in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, during which time he was granted a leave of absence to pursue a master's degree in industrial management at Georgia Tech. There he met his future wife, Sue Wells of Decatur, Georgia, a

student at Emory University. They married in August 1958. They returned to Milwaukee as newlyweds, and in 1959 Clyde accepted a position as a sales engineer in Allis Chalmers's St. Louis office. While in St. Louis, the couple had three children: Martha, JoAnn, and Clyde.

In 1969, Allis Chalmers transferred Clyde to Pittsburgh where he worked as a marketing manager until 1975. In 1975, Clyde accepted a position as vice president of marketing with Interpace Corporation's electric insulator plant in LeRoy, New York. In 1978, Clyde became general manager of a new Interpace division -- Bethea Electrical -- in Birmingham, Alabama, which provided cast iron and aluminum fixtures for the electric utility industry. In 1984, Clyde and a group of investors purchased Bethea, and Clyde served as President until 1988. In 1988, Clyde and Sue moved to Atlanta to be closer to Sue's family, and Clyde purchased and led another business, Eastern Manufacturing, a custom plastic parts manufacturer. In 1999, Clyde and Sue retired to St. Simons Island.

Upon moving to St. Simons, Clyde and Sue joined Golden Isles Presbyterian Church where Clyde served as an elder and Sue served as President of Women In the Church. Clyde was a 45-year Rotarian and served as President of the Rotary Club of St. Simons Island from 2003-04. From 2009-2010, Clyde served as district governor for Rotary District 6920 covering Southeastern Georgia.

In 2010, Clyde was elected as an at-large member of the Glynn County Commission and served from 2010-2014. During his tenure as commissioner, Clyde served as Chairman of the Brunswick-Glynn County Joint Water and Sewer Commission.

In addition to his professional activities, Clyde was an avid saltwater sportsman and spent over 75 years fishing Coastal Georgia's saltwater marshes and offshore. Clyde and Sue took classes in ballroom dancing most of their married life and enjoyed dancing at every opportunity, especially at the Jekyll Island Club. Clyde took great joy and pride in his three children and three grandchildren.

Clyde will be remembered for his wisdom, integrity, generosity, steady faith, fashion sense, and dedication to family and friends.

Clyde Afton Taylor III is predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Sue Wells

Taylor, and his brother Joseph Walker Taylor. He is survived by his children, Martha Greenway (Mike), Josephine Ann Taylor (Mauricio Milazzo) and Clyde Taylor IV; grandchildren, Alexandra Greenway, Forrest Greenway (Madelyn), and Lorenzo Milazzo Taylor; and niece Terri Taylor, nephews Joe Taylor Jr. and Billy Taylor of St. Simons Island.

A private burial will be held Dec. 5 in Atlanta. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at Golden Isles Presbyterian Church.

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." Hebrews 12: 1-2

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of the Golden Isles or Golden Isles Presbyterian Church.

Edo Miller and Sons Funeral Home is assisting the family.

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