

H. Clinton "Clint" Foust

Oct. 15, 1929 - Sept. 11, 2008

H. Clinton "Clint" Foust, Jr., 78, died Thursday, September 11, 2008, following several years of declining health. He was born in Alamance County on October 15, 1929 and was a son of the late Harvey Clinton Foust, Sr. and Aileen Thompson Foust. Mr. Foust was a U. S. Army veteran serving in Italy during the Korean conflict. Clint graduated from Pheiffer Junior College and then transferred to UNC-Chapel Hill where he earned a BA degree in recreation administration. He was the assistant director of recreation in Mooresville before moving to Morganton in 1958 to become director of the Recreation Department of the City of Morganton. Under his direction Collett Street Recreation Center was built and additions were made to the Mountain View Recreation Center. He oversaw the construction of Shuey Park, Carbon City Park, the Children's Park, Shadowline Park, the skeet range, softball fields at Edwards Nursery, Gene Turner Park and Freedom Park. He served as president of the NC Recreation and Parks Society in 1967 and in 1969 was honored with the organization's highest recognition, the Fellow Award. Besides his career as a public servant to the citizens of Morganton, Clint was an outstanding member of his community serving in the Morganton Rotary Club where he was past president and recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow. In 1980 the Morganton Rotary Club named him Man of the Year. He also was active in the Morganton Jaycees and in 1961 was honored as Young Man of the Year. He served and was president of the Burke County Fair three times, president of the Freedom Athletic Foundation, and served on the Christmas Cheer, Inc. board of directors. Clint was a devoted and active member of First United Methodist Church teaching Sunday School and serving on the administrative board and board of directors. Surviving are his wife, Rosetta Follette Foust, of the home; sons, Harvey C. Foust, III and his wife, Young Soon, and C. Michael "Mike" Foust, all of Morganton; grandchildren, Barbara K. Foust, Evan Foust, and John-Flam Foust; and a brother J. D.

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Foust and his wife, Betty Jean, of Raleigh.Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 13, 2008, at Forest Hill Cemetery with Rev. Dr. Sydnor Thompson III officiating. The family will receive friends following the service in the

Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Good Samaritan Clinic, 305 W. Union St., Morganton, NC 28655, Burke Mission Station, 305 W. Union St., Morganton, NC 28655, or to the Morganton Recreation Foundation, PO Box 348, Morganton, NC 28680. Sossoman Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.