



Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley

June 15, 1946 - October 18, 2018

Leonard “Butch” Boyd Kindley, 72, of Charlotte, died October 18, 2018, at Novant Medical Center Presbyterian Campus in Charlotte.

Butch was born in Asheville, NC, on June 15, 1946, the son of Leonard Boyd Kindley Sr and Marie Ogle Allen. While in the hospital, Marie shared a room with another woman and together, they agreed to nickname their children “Butch”, and though he was born a Leonard, he lived as Butch. He moved to Concord at a young age, living with various family members before graduating from East Mecklenburg High School. He attended CPCC and worked at the Barclay Cafeteria on Independence Blvd. There, Slug Claiborne, the owner, took him under his wing and at the age of 17 he met the love of his life, Diane Hartis, who also worked there. In 1966 they were married. Butch went on to work for Glidden Paint and he and Diane lived in Charlotte until 1976 when they moved to Charleston, SC, to open the Glidden Paint operation there. In 1984, they returned to Charlotte where Butch took on the role of District Manager for Glidden Paint. After 45 years of faithful service, he retired from Glidden in 2009.

Butch enjoyed many things in life, but they were always centered around people and his beloved dogs that he cherished. Even with his challenging childhood of living with various family members, Butch grew to be a people person and someone who never met a stranger. In fact, more often than not,

Butch knew someone wherever he went! When not working, he served his community as a member of the Matthews Masonic Lodge and Shriner. He officiated lower college and area high school football, basketball and baseball games for 25 years. As his children got into sports, he took a more direct role with them in coaching for his daughter's softball team and for his son's basketball and football teams. Even when not involved in sports, he never sat still. He loved tending to his annual garden (especially the tomato plants that he was known for), visiting hotel and casino resorts, travelling, socializing, parades, the county fairs, eating and going on cruises. Later in life, he became dependent on an oxygen tank yet he never let that slow him down. He was an amazing storyteller. If you let him tell you a story, it was known to be a bit more embellished than the last time you heard it. If you stopped by his house, you were treated like one of the family! You were treated to the sounds of 1950's beach music and the sight of four televisions as he took in all he could through these electronic windows to the sports world. If you happened to stop by during the holidays, you were also treated to pie!

As clearly evident, Butch loved life, and most of all about that life, he loved spending it with friends and family.

Butch is survived by his wife, Diane; a son Mitchell "Mickey" (wife Ivon) Kindley of Charlotte and their children Claire and Aiden; a daughter Danna (husband James) Sanders of Mint Hill, NC, and their children Cameron, Harley Daniel, Abby, Jayse, Annalyse; and a daughter Jill (husband Mark) Love of Charlotte and their children Desirae Kindley and her daughter, Aubrey; JR Hall, Mackenzie Love and MaKayla Love. Butch is further survived by his sister, Shirley Allen of Charlotte and her son, Scott Allen; as well as numerous other relatives and friends.

Butch's family has given the family of Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home the privilege of caring for them. Visitation will be held Monday evening from 6 to 8 pm, and

on Tuesday from 12:30 until 1:30 at the funeral home, 4715 Margaret Wallace Road, Matthews, NC 28105. At 1:30 on Tuesday, all present will gather in the funeral home chapel for a service led by Mr. Michael Neddo to celebrate the life, love and blessing of Butch. Following the service, all are invited to join in formal procession to Butch's final place of earthly rest at Sharon Memorial Park.

Cemetery Details

Sharon Memorial Park

5716 Monroe Rd
Charlotte, NC 28212

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends and Family

OCT **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life Service

OCT **23**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley

October 05, 2023 at 07:26 AM



“ Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley

October 24, 2022 at 08:52 PM



“ 3 files added to the album LifeTributes



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“ Sorry to hear of Butch's passing. It brings back fond memories when we worked football in Charlotte. I will always remember and enjoy going to these games with Butch and Milt Villas. We always had a good time and fun together. But mostly will remember how Butch treated me as a person. Rest in peace my friend.

Mike Allred Sr.
Lincolnton N.C.

Mike Allred - October 25, 2018 at 11:00 AM



“ *Sympathy Fruits Abound* was purchased for the family of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley.



October 24, 2018 at 12:53 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley.



October 23, 2018 at 02:23 PM



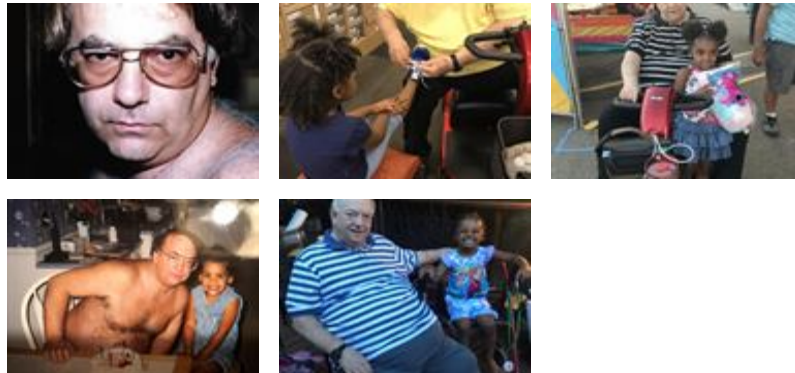
“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley.



October 22, 2018 at 10:21 PM



“ 147 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home - October 22, 2018 at 04:37 PM

DS

“ *Danny & Marcia Hancock ; Lamar & Betty Swann purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley.*



Danny & Marcia Hancock ; Lamar & Betty Swann - October 22, 2018 at 04:00 PM

VH

“ *Gov will always hold a special place in my heart. Thank you for sharing him with me.*



Valerie Harris - October 21, 2018 at 08:05 PM

JM

“ James and Midge purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley.



James and Midge - October 21, 2018 at 10:22 AM

JM

“ James And Midge lit a candle in memory of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley



James and Midge - October 21, 2018 at 09:18 AM

~B

“ ~BranchServ purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Leonard Butch Boyd Kindley.



~BranchServ - October 20, 2018 at 02:01 PM

BD

“ One summer day about 1955 a boy with very dark black hair showed up behind my house next door to E.L. Morrison Lumber Co. on Corban Ave. in Concord. Said his name was Butch and we became good friends. We played what we called then "Rubber Ball". We rarely had money to buy a ball so we took cloth and rubber bands and made a ball then got sticks from the lumber yard scrap pile to use as bats. Butch played many games with the Allreds, Furr, Fletchers other Kindley boys and myself.

Butch and his mother lived for a time in an apartment above the hot dog / hamburger grill called "The Pepper Pot" on Powder St. Butch would be around for several months then we wouldn't see him for a while because he lived with different family members.

Butch Kindley is the only person I know who had a Mickey Mantle baseball card. I tried my best to trade him many of my cards and even swap an old bicycle I had for that Mantle card but he just wouldn't let it go.....don't know what he ever did with it but it was a rare one.

My step-dad worked for a large paint contractor in Charlotte at the time Butch worked for Glidden Paint. He would always let me know how Butch was doing because he knew we were good friends.

In life we each move on our different paths but you never forget your close friends. I'll always carry fond memories of Butch. He is the first person named Boyd I ever met, I had never heard that name before meeting him.

I'll always hold Butch in high regard as he was and in my memory will always be a very good person with high morale standards and love for his fellow human beings.

I hope to see him again one day in Spirit.

Respectfully with Love and Friendship,

Bill Dickens

Bill Dickens - October 20, 2018 at 01:32 PM

DS

*I appreciate you sharing this story with us. I love to hear stories and things about his life. He was such a special person! One of a kind! 💕
love one of his daughters Danna*

danna sanders - October 23, 2018 at 12:44 AM