



Sidney E. Grisell

February 1, 1940 - August 24, 2020

Sidney Elmer Grisell, age 80 of Glen Dale, WV passed away Monday, August 24, 2020 at Sunrise Senior Living, Upper St. Clair, PA.

He was born February 1, 1940 in Glen Dale, WV the son of the late Elwood Griffith and Helen Louise Chambers Grisell.

Sid graduated Moundsville High School and attended WVU where he would graduate with a B.S. Degree in Secondary Education in 1961; it was at WVU that Sid would join the Kappa Alpha Fraternity, he had a lifelong dedication to KA and received many high honors and awards for his devotion; he would help with the design of their new fraternity house in 2005. His love for WVU was evident as a lifelong season ticket holder for WVU Football, strong supporter of the Mountaineer Athletic Club, B-MAC and the Alumni Association, where he served on the Association's Graduate Emeritus Board of Directors; in 2012 Sid and Bonnie established the Grisell Hall of Traditions at The Erickson Alumni Center and received the Paul "Buck" Martin award in 2014 recognizing their efforts to preserve, maintain, and promote the traditions of WVU.

He graduated Cum Laude from Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science in 1963. In 1980, Sidney succeeded his father as President/CEO of Grisell Funeral Home. He would move the Funeral Home from its 5th Street location to its current location on Jefferson Avenue in 1980 and move forward in growing the business to five locations before his retirement in 2005. Sid was very active in his association with Selected Independent Funeral Homes

having served as past secretary/treasurer. He was a member and past president of the Northern West Virginia Funeral Directors, a member and past board member of the West Virginia Funeral Directors Association, and a member of the National Funeral Directors Association.

Community service was very important to Sidney and a high priority. He has served as President of the Board of Directors of the Moundsville Economic Development Council, a past board member of the Regional Economic Development Partnership, Reynolds Memorial Hospital Board of Directors, The Friends of Wheeling Board of Directors, The Strand Theatre Preservation Society Board of Directors, Board of Director with Valley Hospice and the Board of Directors of BB&T Bank.

Sid also served as former chairperson of The Marshall County Easter Seals, a member of B.P.O. Elks #282 and K of P Lodge 79.

One of his favorite organizations though was Lions Club International. He loved being a part of the Moundsville Lions Club where he served as President twice and Secretary/Treasurer for three terms, and twice voted "Lion of the Year". Later in life, the club would become his best friends and they made sure Sid was always able to get to Moundsville every Tuesday for the weekly meetings.

He was a member of the Gideon's, The Farm Bureau of Marshall County, the Advisory Board of the Belmont County Salvation Army, Marshall County Historical Society where he was awarded WV History Hero Award, Cockayne Preservation Society and a member of the Wheeling, New Martinsville, Bellaire and Marshall County Chambers of Commerce's. He served as President of the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce and received their Lifetime Achievement Award in 1991 and Community Service Award in 2001 and served as Grand Marshall in the Moundsville Christmas Parade in 2009. Sid and Bonnie opened the Bonnie Dwaine Bed & Breakfast in 1997 in Glen Dale, WV; this was a lifetime dream for both of them. Upon opening the Bed and Breakfast they became members of WV Bed and Breakfast Association and National Association of Professional Innkeepers.

Faith was essential part of Sidney's life; he was a member of Simpson United Methodist Church where he served in many capacities. He was a Lay Leader, Finance Committee, Administrative Council, Sunday School Teacher and Board of Trustees.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Dwaine Grisell Hess on April 2, 1975; and his beloved dog, Muffy.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie Mason Grisell; five children, Anne (George) Williams of Richmond, VA, Darren (Missy) Toms of Lakewood, OH, Eric (Dawn) Grisell of Corbin, KY, Connie Grisell of Glen Dale, WV and Elliott (Lorri) Grisell of Glen Dale, WV; 11 grandchildren, Conner, Addison and Brice Williams, Max Toms-Snodgrass, Gabrielle and Parker Toms, Erika, Evan and Kara Grisell, Allison Twigg, and Zada Grisell; several nieces, nephews, and extended family, including a nephew, David E. Hess of Bridgeport, WV, a very close niece, Kimberly (Greg) Hess Heavner of Flintstone, MD, and Sam (April) Adkins of Siler City, NC.

Family will receive friends on Thursday 6-8pm and on Friday from 2-4 and 6-8pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville, WV where funeral service will be held Saturday at 11am with Rev. Tim Wilt and Pastor Annette Carper officiating.

Interment will follow at Riverview Cemetery, Moundsville, WV.

Memorial Contributions may be made in Memory of Sidney E. Grisell to: Erickson Alumni Center, 1 Alumni Drive Morgantown, WV 26505; UPMC Alzheimer's Research Center, UPMC Montefiore, 4 West 200 Lothrop Street, Pittsburg, PA 15213; or Simpson UMC, 800 7th Street, Moundsville, WV 26041.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home
400 Jefferson Ave.
Moundsville, WV 26041

Visitation

AUG 28. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

AUG 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

AUG 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - Moundsville
400 Jefferson Ave
Moundsville, WV 26041
(304) 845-0400
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Sidney E. Grisell*



Grisell Funeral Homes - August 27, 2020 at 02:43 PM

NC

Absolutely beautiful!!!

Nancy E. Clark - August 28, 2020 at 12:06 PM

JD

Beautiful tribute...

Joann Drnach - September 03, 2020 at 06:18 PM

DR

“ *He was a great person*



David Richmond - March 03, 2023 at 08:21 PM

JW

“ *Sorry loss we praying for you and members working Giselle funeral home in Moundsville Wv we him blessing heaven with gods blessing lot*

Jeffrey Wright - October 21, 2020 at 04:41 AM

JW

“ Jeffrey Wright lit a candle in memory of Sidney E. Grisell



Jeffrey Wright - October 21, 2020 at 04:39 AM

RH

“ Just heard about Sid's passing. Tiauanna and I want to pass along our most sincere condolences to Bonnie and the entire family.

*Bob and Tiauanna Harler
Crittenden, KY*

Robert M Harler - September 10, 2020 at 03:05 PM

BB

“ So sorry to hear of Sid's passing. He was an old friend. Prayers to the family.

Bill Barth - August 28, 2020 at 10:33 PM

J(

“ Bonnie, Connie and family Sorry to hear about Sid. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Joni (McWhorter)Morris - August 28, 2020 at 07:15 PM

MD

“ Madhu and Amy Dharawat purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.



Madhu and Amy Dharawat - August 28, 2020 at 12:27 PM

RC

“ Sid and I were classmates at PIMS. Together, we went to Washington and watched the JFK funeral procession from the street. I always liked Sid and will never forget him.

Richard Cook

Richard Cook - August 28, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.



August 28, 2020 at 10:47 AM

JM

“ Sid was a wonderful man who will be missed. He took the Grisell business and, through hard work, a keen business acumen, and compassion for his fellow man, made Grisell Funeral Homes the success it is today. His greatest legacy, however, is the family he raised. I know Elliott and Connie personally, and I'm sure that Sid was most proud of who they've become, and thrilled that they carry on the tradition of the business he built. Prayers for all.

Joe Myers - August 28, 2020 at 09:16 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.*



August 27, 2020 at 08:09 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.*



August 27, 2020 at 07:23 PM



“ *Much love to you all!
Taylor, Michele and Steve Norman*



Taylor, Michele and Steve Norman - August 27, 2020 at 03:30 PM



“ 166 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Grisell Funeral Homes - August 27, 2020 at 02:29 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses* was purchased for the family of *Sidney E. Grisell*.



August 27, 2020 at 09:16 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Sidney E. Grisell*.



August 26, 2020 at 09:46 PM

SB

“ Sue and Bill Brewer purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.



Sue and Bill Brewer - August 26, 2020 at 12:03 PM

DF

“ Dear Bonnie - you and your family have my deepest sympathy. May God's comfort and your wonderful memories give you peace at this era sad time.
Dottie Fisher

Dottie Fisher - August 26, 2020 at 11:00 AM

JH

“ Prayers for Bonnie and the family. Our class of 57 getting smaller.
Jim Howearth

James Howearth - August 26, 2020 at 10:54 AM

RO

“ Sidney handled my father's service in 1975 and he was such a peaceful and calming presence. Have always appreciated that. He was wonderful man and got to know him well having stayed at the Bonnie-Dwaine Bed and Breakfast many times. He certainly had a towering love for his dear wife Bonnie and that love continues even now. He will be so missed by so many.

Russell Osmianski - August 26, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.*



August 26, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.*



August 26, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ *Bonnie, Connie and family - my thoughts and prayers are with you. May God guide you and give you peace.*
Ann

Ann Koegler - August 26, 2020 at 08:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.*



August 26, 2020 at 06:12 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.



August 25, 2020 at 07:45 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Sidney E. Grisell.



August 25, 2020 at 05:39 PM