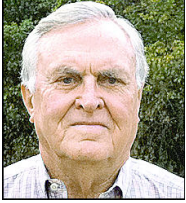

William Cline Sr.

William Brather Cline, Sr. "Bill" CHARLOTTE - William Brather "Bill" Cline, Sr., age 81, passed away on November 9, 2015. He was born November 13, 1933. A native of Charlotte, and was one of eleven children. He graduated from West Mecklenburg High School in 1952. He attended Coyne Electrical School in Chicago, Illinois. Bill served in the US Army from 1955 to 1957 as a Radar and Communications Specialist in Fort Lee, Virginia. It was there that he began his baseball career where he played 3rd base and outfield positions. He played from 1957 to 1961 for various teams including the Charlotte Hornets and was associated with the Minnesota Twins, New York Yankees and Philadelphia Phillies. He was a successful electrical contractor, business man and owner of Cline Electric Company, Inc. for over forty years. Bill was an avid golfer and he enjoyed hunting and fishing as well as a good joke. He was a one-of-a-kind father, grandfather, brother, friend and man. He is survived by a son, William "Bill" Cline, Jr. and daughter-in-law Ruth Cline; a daughter LeAnn Cline; two grandchildren, Casey Alexander Cline and William Brather Cline, III. He is also survived by two sisters, Carole Cathcart and Linda Hudson and a brother, Wayne Cline and many nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends at the Pine Island Country Club Pavilion, 1701 Stoneyridge Dr., Charlotte, NC 28214 on Thursday, November 19th, from 5 to 8 PM. Condolence messages may be sent to the family by visiting www.woodlawnfuneral.org. Woodlawn Funeral Home is serving the family.

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