



Clarence "Rod" Clayton Huenergardt

November 27, 1936 - November 1, 2025

Clarence "Rod" Clayton Huenergardt age 88, passed peacefully on November 1, 2025, in Lubbock, Texas. He was born November 27, 1936, in Wichita, Kansas, to the late Erwin and Lida (Stuwe) Huenergardt. He married Sue Arnold on March 23, 1958, in Wichita, Kansas. He was the proud parent of one daughter, Nancy Huenergardt. He retired from the US Air Force as a Master Sergeant after 20 years of service. He served in Abilene, Texas; Germany; Thailand; Turkey; Lubbock, Texas; and Las Vegas, Nevada. He was employed as a service technician for 23 years with Cash Register Services, Inc., retiring in 2006. After hours, he enjoyed playing the pedal steel guitar with the Tiny Lynn Band since 1981.

He was a member of Christ Lutheran Church since moving to Lubbock in 1972, serving as a member of the spiritual board and a member of various boards and committees.

Service will be at Christ Lutheran Church, 7801 Indiana Ave., Lubbock, Texas; on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 2pm, with the Revs. Daniel Hinton and Alan Korinek officiating. Visitation will be at the church at 1pm.

His parents, one sister Carmen Hobbie, and two brothers, Paul and Richard Huenergardt, all of Wichita, Kansas, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Sue; his daughter, Nancy Huenergardt, of San Marcos, Texas; and brother George K. Huenergardt of Wichita, Kansas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank The Gardens at Shadow Hills, and Enhabit Hospice for their support and compassionate care.

Burial will be at a later date at Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your favorite charity.

Cemetery Details

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Road
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Christ Lutheran Church
7801 Indiana Avenue
Lubbock, TX 79423

Funeral Service

NOV 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JG

“ *My sincerest condolences to Ms Nancy and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*
Jeffrey Gyesi DFW



Jeffrey Gyesi - November 10, 2025 at 02:36 PM

HM

“ *My husband and I got to meet Mr. Huenergardt and his wife through our longtime friend, his daughter Nancy, back in 1995. He and his wife invited us into their lovely home in Lubbock. We had a pleasant time together, and I cherish the memory. Blessings go with him and his wife and Nancy, at this time of parting.*

Heidi Muensterer - November 08, 2025 at 01:11 PM

SC

“ *SM Birthday Club purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Clarence "Rod" Clayton Huenergardt.*



SM Birthday Club - November 04, 2025 at 03:16 PM

LB

“ *So sorry, Nancy. Clarence was my cousin. My mom, Dorothy, loved to hear him play the steel guitar. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your mom and George and family.*

Lizzy Buller - November 03, 2025 at 05:24 PM

GR

Nancy, I send my condolences to you and your family on the homegoing of your dear father. I pray God will comfort you and your mother in this time of loss. Keep your wonderful memories close my friend. They too are such comfort. Remember sbtent ffrom the body, present with the Lord. Sending prayers and love. Georgette 🥀🙏❤️

Georgette Ross - November 03, 2025 at 05:56 PM

GR

Absent from the body. Present with the Lord Nancy. ❤️

Georgette Ross - November 03, 2025 at 06:00 PM

JB

*My love sorey Nancy, my condolence with heartfelt sympathy to your father clarencr RoB Clayton so there are place within our hearts that can only be filled with momeries and there one places in our soul's that can only be healed by the gentle hand by time may you find comfort knowing that my thought are with you during this difficult time and may you find peace knowing that there is one more Angel in heaven
Love Joesph o' Brien*



Joseph o' brien - November 05, 2025 at 09:01 AM

RM

Dearest Nancy

Kaush and I would like to express our deepest condolences on the loss of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your mother and your family and friends. We pray that God gives you all the strength and courage that you all need to get through the very dark and difficult days ahead. May his soul rest forever in eternal peace. Love Raksha & Kaushik xx

Raksha Mehta - November 05, 2025 at 11:17 AM

SM

Nancy, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your mother.

Susan Moss - November 05, 2025 at 02:28 PM

DR

Rod was my one of my most loyal and enduring Air Force buddies in the 1960s. We were in the Reentry Vehicle section, 42 MMS, Dyess AFB, TX, a unit that shortly after we arrived found itself on the Cold War's hottest front line and soon filled its mission-critical role by helping pull JFK's bacon out of the fire during the Oct '62 Cuban Missile Crisis. How? Read on.

T'was a very fearful time for the entire world. In fact, the Chief of Operations for the Soviet Army said later: "Nuclear catastrophe was hanging by a thread...we weren't counting days or hours but minutes." Our R/V teams worked 24 hours straight installing warheads on Atlas ICBMs to convince the Soviets they'd best pull rapidly out of Cuba. They did.

I once asked Rod how he got his nickname. He said it was because he was fond of hot cars in high school. That was evident when he arrived at Dyess in a classic Porsche Coupe. See picture.

We R/Vers envied not only his ride but also his skill in playing pedal steel guitar as well as how attractive his wife and daughter were, plus how chic their Mid-Century Modern rental home in Abilene was.

During his, mine, and Mark Steele's conception, planning, and conduct of our section's reunions in 2011 & 2013 Rod was the lynchpin (person who holds various elements of a complicated structure together). In part, he did so by providing and operating the audio/video equipment that was essential to ensure the programs were tasteful, engaging, and on pace. That added greatly to the success of the multiple events we enjoyed on-base and then at a decommissioned missile site. I'm eternally thankful Rod knew to "Aim High" in all that he did.

David Jones, Major, USAF, Ret. - December 15, 2025 at 03:27 PM