



Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn

December 8, 1937 - June 4, 2026

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Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn, 88, of Newport, Tennessee, passed away peacefully on June 4, 2026, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. A devoted husband, father, and friend, Clyde lived a full and vibrant life marked by service, dedication, laughter, and love.

Born on December 8, 1937, in Etowah, Tennessee, to parents whose values of hard work and perseverance shaped his life, Clyde spent his early years in Etowah, Maryville, and Oak Ridge. He attended Etowah High School before enrolling at Columbia Military Academy, where the structure and high expectations instilled in him a discipline and determination that became guiding forces throughout his life. Graduating as salutatorian, Clyde went on to attend the University of Tennessee in 1955, majoring in Business Administration. A member of the ROTC program, he was recognized as Outstanding Junior Cadet in Leadership and Command and graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate with the rank of Second Lieutenant.

While at UT, Clyde was also a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, where he formed lifelong friendships he cherished and maintained throughout his life. Working to support himself through college, he developed a strong work ethic and drive that would define his professional and personal life. After earning his degree in 1960, he married the love of his life, Mary Parrott, on July 30, 1960. Their marriage, spanning more than six decades, was the cornerstone of his life.

Following a brief honeymoon, Clyde began his military service as a personnel officer at Fort Stewart, Georgia. In 1962, he and Mary welcomed their first daughter, Lindsay, and soon relocated to Fountain City, Tennessee, so that Clyde could attend law school at the University of Tennessee. While pursuing his degree, he worked at a brokerage firm and welcomed his son, Boe. His professional journey began in Charlotte at North Carolina National Bank in the trust department before the family settled in Newport, Tennessee, in 1966. Soon after, daughter Lucy was born, followed by Courtney and Rachel. In Newport, Clyde embarked on a long and successful career as an attorney. He devoted nearly six decades to serving his clients with fairness and integrity. His ability to think on the fly and shoot from the hip was unmatched. He also served as County Attorney and President of the Bar Association.

1991 marked the start of another great passion—the Newport Theatre Guild. Clyde's first role as Nathan Detroit in *Guys and Dolls* sparked a love of the stage that would carry him through nearly forty productions with his last role being the Wizard in *The Wizard of Oz*. His commanding presence, sharp wit, and charm made him a beloved member of the theatre community. He served as president of the Guild and on its board, finding in it a second family and endless joy in the friendships and memories created.

An avid golfer, Clyde was a longtime member of Smoky Mountain Country Club and later Holston Hills, where he enjoyed countless rounds, went on many golf trips, and made great friends while doing so. He was fortunate to play Augusta National in 1983, a lifelong dream. He once remarked, "I will play as long as the Good Lord permits." He did.

Clyde was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Lucille Dunn; his brother, Dan Dunn; and his son-in-law, James Rufus Graham, Jr.

Clyde is survived by his beloved wife, Mary; his children, Lindsay McNabb (Steve), Clyde Augustus "Boe" Dunn, Jr. (Margot), Lucy Hooper (Ben), Courtney Graham, and Rachel Dunn (Johnny Williams). He is also survived by his grandchildren, Clyde Augustus "Zack" Dunn III (Ariel), Ben Walter Tige" Hooper IV (Julia), Sydney Claire Dunn, Theodore Dunn Hooper (Cara), Jon

William “Will” Woods, Jr., Mary Isabella “Bella” Mathis (Ike), and Meredith Allyson “Ally” McNabb; and his great-grandchildren, Ben Walter “Walt” Hooper V and Bennett Wade Hooper.

The family will receive friends Sunday, June 7, 2026 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary of First United Methodist Church Newport with funeral services following at 4:00 p.m. Burial will be in Union Cemetery on Monday June 8, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. His family invites all who knew him to join in honoring his memory.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to First United Methodist Church or the Newport Theatre Guild.

The family extends special thanks to Hanna Cancer Associates, Dr. Christopher L. Brett, Dr. Wahid T. Hanna, and Smoky Mountain Home Health and Hospice for their compassionate care and support.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m., Sunday, June 7, 2026 with funeral services following at 4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church with David Woody and Marta Cogburn officiating.

Burial will be at 11 a.m., Monday, June 8, 2026 in Union Cemetery.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

JUN 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
212 Washington Ave
Newport, TN 37821

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Service

JUN 7. 4:00 PM (est)

First United Methodist Church Newport

Burial

JUN 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

Union Cemetery Inc
420 Mineral St
Newport, TN 37821-3900
(423) 623-6918

Tribute Wall

KM

“ *Mary and all the family, I was sorry to hear about Clyde. Even though he had been very sick, I still know it was a shock He was very kind to me when I needed it the most. I will always remember him fondly.*

Kathy Mccarter - June 17 at 09:17 PM

JH

“ *Prayers!*



Jimmy Hux - June 10 at 04:33 PM

TB

“ *Tammy Presnell Binkley lit a candle in memory of Clyde Dunn*



Tammy Presnell Binkley - June 10 at 07:10 AM

TM

“ *Tammy Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Clyde Dunn*



Tammy Maxwell - June 09 at 04:02 PM

EA

“ Courtney & family, Sending lots of love and prayers to your family. We are so sorry for your loss. Emma & Shane Allen (Ellis & Addison)

Emma Allen - June 09 at 09:18 AM



“ SamnSheryln Eli lit a candle in memory of Clyde Dunn



SamnSheryln Eli - June 08 at 01:49 PM

DW

“ David Winters lit a candle in memory of Clyde Dunn



David Winters - June 08 at 10:33 AM

NR

“ Mary and family, we are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you today and the difficult days ahead. Dale, Nancy and Gerald Raines.

Nancy Raines - June 07 at 11:11 PM

JD

“ Scutter was a friend to me as well as many who were fortunate to know him. He will be greatly missed.

Jimmy and Karene Dunn - June 07 at 09:31 PM

CG

“ Mary and family, you all are in our thoughts and prayers 🙏
Cheryl and Cody Grooms



Cheryl Grooms - June 07 at 06:50 PM

BC

“ We are so sorry to hear of Scutters passing. Send love and prayers to all.
Barry & Becky Clevenger

Becky Clevenger - June 07 at 06:25 PM

AH

“ Lindsey and family I was sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Praying for your peace and comfort .

Anna Hance - June 07 at 03:07 PM

RR

“ Guys I'm so very sorry about precious Scutter. May God be with y'all during this very difficult time. Lots of prayers for all of you. Love you guys bunches ❤️😭🙏

Rhonda Rice - June 07 at 01:28 PM

SO

“ Mary and all the family, I am so sorry to hear about Scutter passing away. He was a good soul, loved and admired by everyone that knew him. Many many prayers for this precious family and many friends he leaves behind. I pray that God will give you comfort and strength in the days ahead. Scutter will sure be missed. I am so sorry. Rest in peace Scutter 💔



Susie O'Dell - June 07 at 12:32 AM

SD

“ Mary and family. Clyde was a wonderful man. We are praying that you will find some comfort at this time

Stacy and Marla Dalton - June 07 at 12:01 AM

WR

“ Scutter was my best friend. He had a unparalleled zest for life, love for his family and was devoted to his friends. Sandra and I will always cherish the sweet memories of so many adventures with Scutter and his beloved wife, Mary. Scutter's passing will be a loss to all who knew him but Heaven's gain.

Warren & Sandra Riggs

Warren & Sandra Riggs - June 06 at 07:29 PM

JB

“ A great friend always! You will be missed by all who have had the privilege of knowing you for many years! Your Family is very special to me and has been for many years. Thank you for coming to Newport with Mary--We are all better off for having known you!
Family Friend - Jeanne Birdwell

Jeanne Birdwell - June 06 at 03:14 PM

JC

With deepest sympathy, Jan Carpenter, Kay C. Jowers, Jennifer and Gordon Burnett

Jan Carpenter - June 07 at 09:23 AM

TW

“ *Tricia Whitmire purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn.*



Tricia Whitmire - June 06 at 01:01 PM

TW

“ *Tricia Whitmire planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn.*

Tricia Whitmire - June 06 at 01:01 PM

BW

“ *Very sorry to hear about Scutter. Thinking of all the family during this difficult time.*

Barry and Janice Webb - June 06 at 11:51 AM



“ *Prayers to all of you. He was a wonderful friend and I have good memories.*

Pat N Patricia Taylor - June 06 at 10:59 AM

KI

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers for the family.

Karen Greene Isaacs - June 06 at 09:55 AM

BP

“ Becky and Bobby Paris purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn.



Becky and Bobby Paris - June 06 at 09:10 AM

KS

“ I'm so sorry to learn of Clyde's passing. He was such a great person and attorney. He was such a great person as is Ms. Mary. Thoughts and prayers going out to the family during this difficult time 🙏🙏

Kathy Smith - June 06 at 08:30 AM

BE

“ Courtney, Will, and Bella,

We are praying for you and your family during this difficult time. May God bring peace and comfort in your time of need.

Benjamin Evans - June 06 at 08:27 AM

JR

“ So sorry for ur loss! Clyde was my lawyer and friend he always gave me good advice! He will be missed! Sending Prayers to the Family! 🙏



Jackie Raines - June 05 at 10:51 PM

KH

“ Sending love, hugs and many prayers to the family during this difficult time. Scutter was a jewel. RIP my friend. ❤️🙏
Roy and Kerri (Fielding) Hensley



Kerri W Hensley - June 05 at 10:18 PM

KH

“ Sending love, hugs and prayers to the family during this difficult time. Scudder was a jewel. RIP my friend. 🙏❤️



Kerri W Hensley - June 05 at 10:14 PM

KH

“ Prayers for his family. Such a nice guy !

Kim Hixson - June 05 at 09:37 PM

SS

“ Clyde was my Father and Mother's attorney for years. He was always such a great friend and advisor to them. My prayers are with the family during your loss.
Sandra Samples Steward

Sandra G Steward - June 05 at 08:26 PM

TL

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our prayers.

Tommy and Waynella Ivy Large

Tommy and Waynella Ivy Large - June 05 at 08:07 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn.



June 05 at 05:24 PM



“ Scutter was one one of those friends you met once and never forgot. Nor he you. Always a handshake and a smile. In God's arms now and at peace as we remember this remarkable human being.

Tom and Linda Rosberg - June 05 at 04:49 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn.



June 05 at 04:30 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Clyde Augustus "Scutter" Dunn.

June 05 at 04:30 PM

JS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for the days ahead. What a wonderful Legacy he leaves behind.. All my love Friends Janet Strange



JANET STRANGE - June 05 at 04:15 PM

DO

“ Mary and Family: We share your sorrow in the loss of Scutter. Our memories date back over 40 years to my having Lucy, Courtney, and Rachel in school, followed by the babysitting days when Amber believed she was the youngest Dunn. Flash forward to Guys and Dolls and our association through the Newport Theatre Guild. Special memories include our murder mystery production at Fox and Hounds, The Tall Woman, and my brief time with Annie. Scutter was amazing...he was born 'off book,' the consummate professional. We love you and will treasure our memories.

Duay, Kay, Amber, and Connor O'Neil - June 05 at 03:19 PM

KL

“ I'm so sorry. It's so hard to lose a parent. Clyde was a fine man and father. I know he will be missed. Prayers for you all

Kevin and Donna Lamb - June 05 at 02:48 PM

DF

“ Lindsey and Lucy, I am sorry for your loss, Your dad was so special and he will missed..My love and prayers for all the family.

Denise Fox - June 05 at 02:22 PM

CB

“ Our prayers are with each one of you at this time. ❤️🙏

Connie & Marsha & Amy Ball - June 05 at 01:42 PM

AD

My Prayers, Sympathy and Thoughts to your Family during this difficult time.

Adell S. Davis

Adell S. Davis - June 06 at 07:30 PM

CI

“ So sorry for your family’s great loss. All of you will be in my prayers. He was a good hearted person. Love you all.

Our deepest condolences

Don, Cindy & Kanan Wise

cindy - June 05 at 01:29 PM

CV

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and you, family and friends, are in my prayers. May God bless you and comfort you.

Cindy Valentine - June 05 at 11:49 AM

KH

I am so sorry to hear this, Scutter left a legacy which will be unmatched, I was fortunate to know him as a mentor and a friend in the Theatre Guild. I have so many happy memories which I will forever cherish. Keela Henson

Keela Henson - June 05 at 12:50 PM

JA

Mary and family,

We were deeply saddened to learn of Scutter's passing. Please know we are holding your family close in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We are sending you our love and deepest condolences.

With love and sympathy,

James and Pam Adkins

James Adkins - June 07 at 02:30 PM