

MOVING UP HIGHER

with *Joyce Meyer*



Being a Christian is all about having a relationship with God, not following a bunch of religious rules and regulations. When we accept Jesus Christ as our Savior and give our lives to Him, we begin a lifelong journey that leads us to the best life we could ever have.

In our journey, God's will is for us to be led by the Holy Spirit, or live with divine guidance (see John 14:26). He has a purpose and plan for each of our lives, and we discover how to walk it out as we learn to hear His voice.

It's an uncomfortable place to be when you don't know what decision to make. We often run to people to ask their advice, and it's not wrong to do this, but we can end up running to others for direction more than we're seeking God, expecting Him to give us guidance and wisdom.

The truth is God cares about every detail of your life and He wants to be involved in everything you do. He does speak to you, and you can learn how to hear His voice.

Isaiah 30:21 (AMPC) says, "And your ears will hear a word behind you, saying, This is the way; walk in it, when you turn to the right hand and when you turn to the

left." There are two things to note in this verse: God tells us the way, and then we walk in it. This is a great promise from God! He will give us guidance in every situation, as long as we walk in His ways.

We learn God's ways as we study the Bible and spend time with Him in prayer, and the Holy Spirit, who lives in us as born-again believers in Christ, works in our hearts. John 16:13 says He is "the Spirit of Truth" and He guides us "into all the Truth (the whole, full Truth)"; He tells us "whatever He hears [from the Father...]" and declares "the things that are to come [that will happen in the future]" (AMPC).

God knows we need help to walk out the good plan He's laid out for us, so His Spirit—the Holy Spirit—lives in us and gives us His instructions. He is IN us and WITH us all the time, leading us in the way we should go.

The Holy Spirit knows the counsel of God—He knows the mind of God. And because He lives in us, we have "the mind of Christ (the Messiah) and do hold the thoughts (feelings and purposes) of His heart" (1 Corinthians 2:16 AMPC).

One reason we have trouble hearing from God is we don't always like what He's saying. Facing truth is not easy, especially when we need to face the truth about ourselves

and take responsibility for our mistakes or bad choices. There are also times when we have a way we want things to work out, so we go to God with our plan, asking Him to make it happen, instead of asking Him to do what He wants to do.

We need to remember that there is no error in God's ways. His ways are perfect (Psalm 19:7) and He "will perfect that which concerns [you]" (Psalm 138:8 AMPC).

God's ways are higher than ours (Isaiah 55:9), and whatever He does, it's for our good. We simply need to trust Him and do what we know to do. As we partner with God in accomplishing His plans, He will always do what we can't do.

It's also important to understand that God leads us step by step, and we usually only see one step at a time. 1 Corinthians 13:9 says, "For we know in part and we prophesy in part..." (NKJV).

Hearing from God is a progressive process. There will never be a time when we know everything or have everything figured out. But we can be confident that God will always be with us to take us through the challenges we face.

I want to encourage you to take time to be still in God's presence and listen for His still, small voice speaking to your heart. Study His Word and pour out your heart to Him in prayer. Trust His love for you and His promise to show you what to do at all times. He is faithful, and He wants to guide you every step of the way, in every situation in your life!

Captain Clifford C. "Cliff" Gadoway 1944-2017



Captain Clifford C. "Cliff" Gadoway, 72 of Cottage Grove, OR passed away on April 5, 2017. He was born on November 24, 1944 in Rome, NY to Clifford and Mildred (Bones) Gadoway Sr. Cliff had a varying career from cowboying to a TV news photographer, captain in the merchant marine and an engineering manager for a computer company. He married Linda (Bachus) on March 1, 1975 in Phoenix, AZ. He enjoyed anything mechanical and had a love and passion for cars, boats, radio controlled airplanes, and motorcycles. Cliff is survived by his beloved wife of 42 years, Linda Gadoway; sister, Sandy Reilly; nieces and nephews, Michelle Morehead, Denise Morehead, Amy Arnn, Dr. Bill Schueler, David Schueler, Ben Bachus, and Jennifer Ryerson. A Memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 11 AM at Living Faith Assembly Church, 467 S. 10th St., Cottage Grove, OR. Arrangements in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel.

DEATH NOTICE

Sheri Lee Schneider of Cottage Grove died on April 24, 2017, at the age of 70. No service is being planned. Arrangements in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Deborah Sue Cowlshaw, 61, of Cottage Grove passed away April 15, 2017. Arrangements under the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, 123 S. 7th St., Cottage Grove, OR 97424

IN MEMORIAM



Lorelei Dollarhide 1945-2017

Lorelei "Lori" Ann Dollarhide, 71, of Cottage Grove died April 9, 2017.

She was born April 17, 1945 in Bellingham, Wash. to John and Fern (Severson) Dollarhide.

Lori had various jobs for some years, and worked in several nursing homes in Salem, Oregon. She then went back to school and earned

a degree as a Medical Assistant.

Lori was an accomplished guitarist and entertained her family and friends. She loved gospel and country music. She loved to cook and was excellent at it. In her spare time she liked to fish, crochet, and watch TV. Lori had a quick wit and a sense of humor, and loved telling jokes. She was very family-oriented.

Lori is survived by her brother, Mark Dollarhide of Cottage Grove; sisters, Janice Hurst and Jarilynn Kauffman, both of Cottage Grove; and sister, Barbara Colvard of Everett, Wash.

Private inurnment will take place at Fir Grove Cemetery in Cottage Grove. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 1-4 p.m. at the Riverstone Park Community Center, 77500 S. 6th Street, in Cottage Grove. Arrangements are in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

BIRTHS

Jeremy and Jacqueline Farris of Cottage Grove welcomed a baby boy on April 10 at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center-RiverBend.

David and Leiana Williams of Cottage Grove welcomed a baby girl on April 19 at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center-RiverBend.

Please join our family in celebrating

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Gary Wayne Mohr 1942-2017

Gary Wayne Mohr, 75, passed away peacefully on April 8, 2017 in Mount Vernon, WA due to complications from kidney cancer.

Gary is survived by his wife of 12 years Beverly J. Mohr. Beverly was Gary's everything. He is also survived by sons of his previous marriage Scott P. Mohr and Chad M. Mohr, grandchildren Mieesha L. Mohr, Ashiono E. Mohr, Ava I. Mohr and brother Gregory K. Mohr. On his wife's side he is survived by her daughters Becky Smith, Terrin Eichwald, and Danette Cox.

He is preceded in death by his parents Sigmund T. Mohr and Frankie J. Mohr. He is preceded in death on his wife's side by her daughter Cassandra Hinckley Carter.

Gary was born on March 7, 1942 at Emmanuel Hospital in Portland, OR. He graduated from Portland Community College in 1967 with a degree in Electronic Engineering Technology while also working for Exact Electronics in Hillsboro, OR fabricating electronic equipment for production and new products.

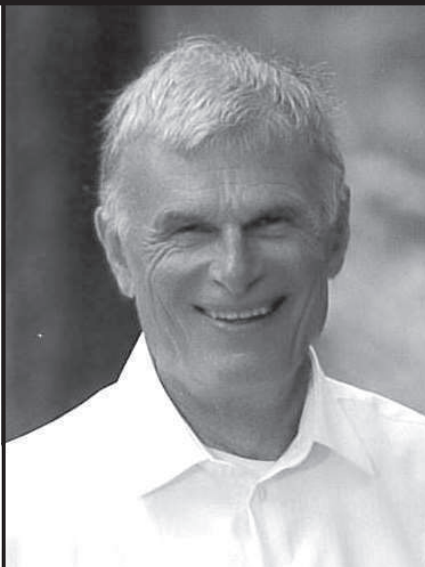
In 1968 he moved to Redmond, WA and accepted a position as an Electronics Design Technician at Sundstrand Data Control where he worked for 28 years progressing through Junior Design Engineer, Design Engineer and then to Senior Manufacturing Engineer. He primarily worked on accelerometers for the aerospace industry. He retired from Siemens Medical after working for 5 years as a Senior Manufacturing Engineer on ultrasound transducers.

At the age of 14 he acquired his amateur radio license with the station call sign W7CRW and maintained interest through retirement. He was primarily interested in building a variety of electronic equipment and trying out the various operating modes. Gary was a member of the Radio Amateurs of Skagit County radio club and did volunteer work with the Amateur Radio Emergency Services Organization. He acquired his private pilots license in 1967 and up to 1977 had flown/owned a 1946 Piper J-3 Cub (his favorite) and a 1948 Piper PA-16 Clipper- in 1977 he flew the PA-16 up to Alaska to sell. From a very early age he had an interest in photography that lasted through retirement including, from about 1977 to 1987, running a part time business repairing old cameras and setting up a dark room. In 1987 he developed an interest in sailing, joined the United States Power Squadron and received his award for completing all their courses of which celestial navigation was his favorite. In about 1999 he became a volunteer Celestial Sight Checker in their education department. Over the years of boating he owned a 26' Balboa and a 1964 Hinckley 35' Custom Pilot and did cruising that included single hand circumnavigation of Vancouver Island and a trip to Juneau, AK. In 1991 he acquired his open water scuba diving certificate.

A special gratitude to Gary's sons who have always remained loyal and loving to their father and stood by him throughout his life and during his passing. Gary loved his Aunt Colleen dearly and she was always a constant support to him. Also, thanks to Richard Rohweder and the Amateur Radio Emergency Services Organization who were always a friend to Gary. Bob Ruff, who worked with Gary was a constant and caring friend throughout his life.

A celebration of Gary's Life will be held on May 7, 2017 from 1:30pm to 4:00pm at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in Redmond, WA. 4330 148th Ave NE, Redmond, WA 98052.

Arrangements are under the care of Hawthorne Funeral Home, Mount Vernon, WA.



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An orientation meeting will be held Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 5:30-7:00 p.m. At Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce, 700 E. Gibbs Ave. Cottage Grove, OR 97424
Please call chamber for details Phone: 541-942-2411

Plan now to join Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce, with business leaders and friends for this once in a lifetime China Adventure. Space is limited.

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