



## Howard Glenn Boyd

March 5, 1930 - December 13, 2022

Howard Glenn Boyd was born March 5, 1930, in Wewoka, Oklahoma and received his eternal reward on December 13, 2022, after a long, full life of devotion to his family, friends, and his Lord. Glenn was dearly loved and admired by his family, friends, and all who knew him. His loving spirit, patience and kindness were evident to all, and in every situation, Glenn could always be found with a smile and referred to as a gentleman. Mostly, Glenn's lifelong unwavering love, dedication and service to the Lord is what always stood out. His Christian example and legacy will live on and continue to reach people around the world.

He is survived by his second wife, Betty Davis Boyd, three children, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren and three stepsons. He was preceded in death by his parents, Homer Green and Ethel Mae Carruth Boyd, his first wife Shirley Catherine Pegan Boyd of 58 years, three brothers Vernon, Eldon, Jess Paul and four sisters Joyce Elaine, Mary Sue, Anna Jean, and Leah Ruth Boyd.

Glenn was born the youngest of 8 siblings and came from a very close, loving, Christian family where he recalled his family "always centered around the Church". Growing up Glenn enjoyed singing, especially harmony (alto, tenor, then bass). He sang with his family, in church, in the school chorus, and two quartets as bass. As a young man, Glenn was already very responsible and

held several jobs, working in his father's grocery store, a paper route, dry cleaners, and others but always knew he wanted to be a preacher and song leader. Glenn attended Harding College in 1948, where he met his future wife, Shirley Pegan. After graduating, Glenn and Shirley were united in marriage on December 19, 1952 at College Church of Christ.

Glenn and Shirley moved to South Point, Ohio, where Glenn served in his first "full-time" preaching position. In March of 1958 Glenn and Shirley moved to Karlsruhe, Germany as missionaries with a small established church, Gemeinde Christi. In 1966, they were invited to move to Heidelberg, where he served as director of the Pepperdine Year- in- Europe program, in addition to continuing to preach at the church in Karlsruhe. Glenn and Shirley both taught German at Pepperdine and helped establish the Heidelberg Bible school. While in Germany, Glenn and Shirley were blessed with the adoption of their first two children: Janet born in 1958, and John born in 1961; In 1968, they received another blessing when Shirley gave birth to Jayson.

In 1973, the Boyd family moved to California, continuing their work with Pepperdine, teaching German, serving with the Year-in-Europe program where Glenn worked as director, and preaching at various congregations, including helping to establish Conejo Valley Church of Christ, where Glenn served as an elder. In August 1981, the Boyd's were invited to Searcy Arkansas, where Glenn was asked to serve as president of the African Christian Hospital foundation, later to become International Health Care FDN. He worked as president until he retired in 2000, but continued to work until 2006 and still volunteered two days a week until 2021. Glenn and Shirley were active members of College Church of Christ, where Glenn served as an elder for over 30 years.

April 7, 2012 Glenn and Betty Davis were married in Searcy Arkansas and were blessed with 10 years of marriage. Glenn and Betty enjoyed many

celebrations, trips, visiting with friends and family and continued to actively serve the Lord at College Church of Christ.

Glenn received a M.A. degree in Bible following a B.A in Music, Harding College/University. A Degree Zertifikat (certificate) in German Language and culture/ Lehrer für Ausländer equal to a M.A degree, University of Heidelberg. Organized and taught the Dale Carnegie courses. Received a M.A. in Missiology, Fuller Theological Seminary. Doctor of Missiology, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School.

Glenn will be missed by his three children and their spouses: Janet and Andreas Reinhardt of Germany; John and Candy Boyd of Texas; Jayson and Elvira Boyd of Texas. His Six grandchildren Tabea and her husband, Ryan Bakke, of Wisconsin; Jonathan and his wife, Lianne Reinhardt, of England; Miriam and her husband, Grant Pinkston, of Germany; Benjamin Reinhardt of Germany; Cody Boyd of Texas and Taylor and her husband, Justin LeMoine, of New Mexico. Great-grandchildren Florian, Finn, and Kealia Bakke and Jonah, Abner, Gabriel and Ephraim Pinkston and Three stepsons, Steve, Larry and Mike Davis and Davis grandkids and great grandchildren. He will further be missed by nephews, nieces, other relatives and friends.

By John and Candy Boyd

Special appreciation to all the nurses, caregivers and staff at Harding Place, Southern Caregivers and Arkansas Hospice.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to International Health Care Foundation, 102 North Locus, Searcy Arkansas 72143.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, December 27, 2022, from 5:00pm - 8:00 p.m. at Powell Funeral Home in Searcy. Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, December 28, 2022, at 10:00a.m. at the College Church of Christ in Searcy. Interment will follow in the White County Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)

# Cemetery Details

## White County Memorial Gardens

Eastline Road and Park Avenue  
Searcy, AR 72143

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)  
2602 W. Beebe-Capps Expy  
Searcy, AR 72143  
(501) 268-7220  
searcy@powellfuneralhome.net  
<https://www.powellfuneralhome.net/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

College Church Of Christ  
712 E Race Ave  
Searcy, AR 72143-4421  
(501) 268-7156

## Interment

DEC 28 (CT)

White County Memorial Gardens  
Eastline Road  
Searcy, AR 72143

# Tribute Wall

KR

“ We just learned of Glenn's passing from *The Christian Chronicle*. So many great memories. In 1972-73 our family --Kevin, Shirley, Janice and Kent Ramsey were transferred to Colmar, France for some international exposure. As members of the Church of Christ, we located the nearest English speaking congregation in Karlsruhe, Germany where we met Glenn, Shirley and the Boyd children. As often as possible we drove the 100 miles from Colmar to Karlsruhe for Sunday services and fellowship. We visited the Boyd's in Heidelberg and Colmar. Each month there was a combined English-German service where Glenn spoke a paragraph in English and then the same paragraph in German. Very impressive! We deeply appreciated the Boyd's and their impact on this congregation and on us.

One small story out of many. As Glenn was preparing to leave Heidelberg in 1973 he purchased a nice Mercedes Benz sedan to be used in California. it was parked in front of the Karlsruhe building one Sunday. As Glenn stepped to the pulpit we heard a loud crash. Someone had smashed their car into Glenn's new Mercedes. He yelled "Kevin, you have got to preach" as he headed out to examine the damage. That was the most excited I ever saw Glenn. What a tremendous servant of the Lord. Rest in peace, dear friend.

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Kevin Ramsey - March 12, 2023 at 02:18 PM

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“ Janet, John, and Jayson, your father was one of our great heroes of the faith. I have such fond memories of our times at the Conejo Valley Church of Christ and working together on the African Christian Hospitals Foundation. We look forward to reuniting with him and your mother in heaven. Blessings to all of you as you mourn our loss and celebrate his victory. Mike O'Neal

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Mike O'Neal - December 29, 2022 at 09:31 AM



“ H. Glenn Boyd was my uncle. His first wife, was my Aunt Shirley, my mother, Mary May's, baby sister. Glenn was a humble, kind, mild mannered, gentleman. He enjoyed vocal music and during family gatherings we would all sing various hymns together. He influenced so many church related missions, in Germany, Africa, and the US. Many souls were touched. I remember when he and Betty, his second wife, came to Michigan to visit my mother. We had a great time together, and my mother enjoyed meeting Betty. Our love, and prayers go out to his children, my cousins and their families. We Love You!!!  
Ernie, Ginny, Caitlin May, and Peggy May



ERNIE MAY - December 27, 2022 at 12:11 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Howard Glenn Boyd.



December 27, 2022 at 10:09 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Howard Glenn Boyd.



December 26, 2022 at 02:59 PM

DM

“ In 1963, Glenn and Shirley invited my parents to come work with them at the little church in Karlsruhe. When they moved to Heidelberg my father became the preacher for the Karlsruhe church, and also taught a European Music Appreciation class every week at Pepperdine in Heidelberg. We lived there from 1963 to 1971, so to say the Boyds had an impact on the future of my entire life would be an understatement. Later I saw Glenn and Shirley several times when I would visit Harding, where I had also studied in the 70's. I can still hear Glenn's voice in my head and can still see the little Borgward car he was driving in 1963. He will be greatly missed.

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**Dave Morris** - December 24, 2022 at 05:53 PM

 Rose Talbott

“ Chet and I knew Glenn in Germany many, many years ago. A good friend and example of a Christian. Fond memories. Rose Talbott

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**Rose Talbott** - December 22, 2022 at 12:12 PM

RS

“ I have only known him for a few short months at Harding place but you could tell from the start he was a true distinguished gentleman and very kind he will be missed.

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**Rebecca Sample** - December 21, 2022 at 10:13 PM

CM

“Glen’s presence has woven through the 55 years of our marriage. We met in the 1965/66 Pepperdine Heidelberg Year in Europe where Glenn was teaching a course in religion. We learned he was a thoughtful, ever-smiling teacher and a hold-on-to-your hat driver!

We married the spring of our senior year, and after two years in the Peace Corps returned to Pepperdine and were asked to work in Heidelberg where Sharyn assisted Glenn, and Chip taught international relations. From then on Heidelberg was our touchstone as we returned off and on living and working there, took student trips together, shared dinners and church gatherings which continued when we were all in California. Our last in person time together was when Glenn and Betty had come to the Pepperdine lectureship and we had afternoon Kaffee und Kuchen sharing so many memories of the love we shared for people and places that formed so much of our life.



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Chip and Sharyn Moore - December 21, 2022 at 06:10 PM