



Donald Thomas Clark

January 25, 1934 - June 2, 2020

Donald Thomas Clark 86, of Ft. Myers, FL passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at his home. Donald was born January 25, 1934 in Big Stone City, SD a son of the late Jesse and Lucy (Werner) Clark.

Donald was a veteran having served in the United States Navy. After serving he went on to earn his master's degree, he worked for the Social Security Administration as a budget analyst.

He was a life time member of the V.F.W. Post # 521 and belonged to the American Legion, Liberty Post #122, in Randallstown, MD.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 56 years, Kathleen (Taylor) Clark; loving children, Donald T. Clark of New Hampshire, and Lucy Ann Clark of Colorado.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, June 7, 2020 at 1:00 PM at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community, 19680 Cypress View Dr., Ft. Myers, FL 33967

Guests must wear a mask at all times and social distancing will be implemented.

Inurnment will be at a later date at Sarasota National Cemetery with military

honors.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory. Family Owned and Operated Since 1978

Cemetery Details

Sarasota National Cemetery

9810 State Road 72
Sarasota, FL 34241
<http://www.cem.va.gov/>

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUN 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Dr
Fort Myers, FL 33967-6201
(239) 267-7088

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Thomas Clark*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Memories with Grandpa*



Kimberly Clark Emery - June 07, 2020 at 12:40 PM

DC

“ My deepest most heartfelt sympathies to the Clark family. Don was also survived by his four grandchildren named Kimberly Sara Emery, Kelly Beth Marohl, Tyler Storm Clark and Jesse Collin Clark all of whom had cherished memories of their grandfather. He moved to Florida when the girls were young. I remember long visits to our Maryland home once or twice a year as he watched his grandchildren grow. He was never one to really express verbally his love or talk on the phone, but he took advantage of the moments he had to engage when he could. He was a very intelligent man and I believe those genes were passed down to all his grandchildren. He would test their knowledge frequently by asking these off the wall questions and riddles. I could always sense how very proud he was of his family and thrilled beyond words when Tyler and Jesse were born to carry on his namesake. I share with my son, Tyler often that his grandfather was instrumental in helping him learn how to walk. As I write this, so many memories are flooding back including meals at the local buffet, listening to his classical music, playing pool, trivia questioning sessions, trips to McDonald's, pouring his ketchup packages from McDonald's into our ketchup container at home, stacks of used McDonald's coffee cups that he would reuse, lots of naps and snores, Sunday trips to the local Catholic church, family meal gatherings, playing and teaching chess with the family, etching his name on the back of everything he owned and boy could that man clean the meat off a chicken bone! He lived through the depression and told stories of how difficult those times were. He didn't want to waste anything and used the resources he had to even make his own soap. Don kept our homes stocked with his homemade soap that he made from leftover grease. He was a very resourceful man which certainly came in handy when we had household repairs and routine appliance maintenance to do:) Don did have a rough exterior probably because of his days in the Navy and living through the depression, but when he smiled you could see that man's soul and it was beautiful<3 Your memories and life will live on in those that loved you. Peace, love and God speed, Donald Thomas Clark and prayers for your family. Thank you for giving the best parts of you to your grandchildren.



Donna Clark-Koback - June 05, 2020 at 01:03 PM

KC

This was so beautiful of a eulogy Donna. It brought back so many memories although with the sadness of his passing but joy to feel the love and happy times that we & all the family have shared together. God Bless you all. Mom & Grama

Kathleen Clark - January 12, 2021 at 10:21 PM