



## Donald Eugene Clark

December 29, 1948 - September 8, 2021

Donald Eugene Clark, age 72, was born December 29, 1948 the son of the late, Wallace and Irene Bowen Clark at his home town of Marmet where he later changed his home address to Hernshaw, WV and now to a Heavenly address on September 8, 2021 following a long illness.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jeannie Edwards Clark of Hernshaw, WV and two sons, Patrick Clark and Nathan Clark (Julie); sisters, Phylis Carver of Harrisonville, MO; brothers Vernon Clark (Diane) Basehor, KS, Wallace Clark (Becky) of Marmet, WV; three grandchildren, Justin Clark, Jordan Clark and Tyler Clark. sister-in-laws, Taima Clark, Linda Clark, Shirley Clark, Connie Clark, Peggy Clark, Geri Clark,

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by eight brothers, Frank (Josephine) Clark, Harold Clark, Ira Jack Clark, Emil Clark, James Clark, Charles Clark, William Clark, Roger Clark; one sister, Brenda (Robert) Fleming and one brother-in-law, Bob Carver.

Donald had a ministry in song that won many lives to his Heavenly Father. He combined his singing talent with his close walk with God as he preached the gospel whenever he had the opportunity.

Donald was a member of Chesapeake WV VFW Post # 8363. He was a

Certified Electrician with UMW and worked at Carbon Fuel Coal Company, US Steel and Tony's Branch Coal Company, Bloomingrose.

Donald was multiple times Past Master of Salina Lodge #27, Malden, WV. He was initiated into the lodge February 23, 1981, passed March 19, 1981, and was raised April 6, 1981. Donald had a deep love and commitment to the Salina Lodge, he was a good ritualist, and spent his entire life coaching many successful Masonic candidates. He was also a member of the Scottish Rite.

Donald loved all sports and excelled at most. When physical disabilities ended his days of playing sports, he used his knowledge and experience to become a football and baseball referee and coach. He refereed and coached little league and high school football and baseball throughout WV but he was especially proud of the years he spent as an assistant baseball coach at Capital High School. Far above all other sports, Donald's first love was the game of golf. He always told his golf buddies he may not be very good at golf but he sure had a good time playing with them.

Donald proudly told everyone he was going to graduate with a degree from WVU because he chose to donate his body there for medical science and research. Sadly, this dream was unfulfilled because current COVID restrictions prohibited him from being accepted by WVU.

Donald was a proud Vietnam Veteran who loved his country and displayed the American flag and colors on his prosthetic leg. He suffered many years from illnesses caused by exposure to Agent Orange while serving time in the US Army in Vietnam. But his suffering ended September 8, 2021 as he entered into Gods loving arms through Heaven's Gates singing everyone's favorite song, "The Lighthouse".

Donald's family would like to give thanks to his special caregiver, Marsha

Fields Burdette, Village Caregiving, who he loved dearly. Marsha always had something funny and encouraging to say to cheer Donald on his bad days and they had many jokes to share while she provided his care. Also many thanks to the staff of Pulmonary Associates of Charleston who provided loving medical oversight to Donald's care during his prolonged hospital stay.

Special thanks to Bro. Tom Burnside, pastor of Marmet First Baptist Church, and Bro. Duane Priddy, pastor of Chesapeake Apostolic Church and family, for all the times you visited with and prayed for Donald. He loved you both and had the utmost confidence in your ministries.

Donald's arrangements are in the care of Henson Kitchen Mortuary, 6357 East Pea Ridge Rd. Huntington, WV near Barboursville. His wishes were to be cremated.

A private memorial service will be conducted and dedicated to Donald by the Chesapeake VFW Post # 8363. Online condolences, memories and video tributes may be viewed and shared with the family by visiting [www.hensonandkitchen.com](http://www.hensonandkitchen.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ Donald Eugene Clark

October 23, 2023 at 01:49 AM



“ Patrick, I'm sorry to hear that your father passed. From reading his obituary, it sure sounds like he was a fine Christian man. You and your family are certainly in my prayers.

Jeff Bartlett - September 10, 2021 at 02:09 PM



Patrick Clark

*Thank you Jeff and family for your many prayers and comforting words. It's been an honor to know and work with you for many years. You are a fine Christian man who never had bad words to say and always tried to encourage, even in the worst of times. Thank you brother for all your hard work and friendship!*

Patrick Clark - September 11, 2021 at 12:59 PM



“ Patrick I am so sorry for you loss. You and your Mom will be in my prayers

Sean Smyth - September 10, 2021 at 10:54 AM



Patrick Clark

*Thank you brother, you as Jeff have been one of my saving graces at work and in personal conversations. You a good man and brother to me. Thank you for all the kind words you have said to me over the past few days.*

Patrick Clark - September 11, 2021 at 01:01 PM

GH

*“ I am so sorry to hear about Donald’s passing! He and I umpired together and became friends many years ago. His love for baseball with coaching at Capital High School and officiating football and baseball says a lot about Donald but his faith and his love for his family says more! RIP Brother*

**GaryButch Hughes** - September 09, 2021 at 10:15 PM

JC

*Thank you, Butch. Donald really enjoyed the years he got to umpire with you. He spoke very highly of you.*

**jeannie clark** - September 11, 2021 at 11:56 PM



*“ May God comfort you all and bring you peace. I will always love and miss him dearly. He was a great man!*

**Marsha Fields-Burdette** - September 09, 2021 at 06:22 PM

JC

*Thank you for all the wonderful days you spent with us. Donald and I love you so much.*

**jeannie clark** - September 11, 2021 at 11:57 PM

LS

*“ Jeannie, Patrick and Nathan. May God comfort you at this most difficult time. I am so very sorry for your loss.*



**Linda Shaffer** - September 09, 2021 at 12:13 PM



*Thank you Linda.*

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**Jeannie Clark** - September 09, 2021 at 07:25 PM