



Clayton Russell Dearstyne

February 21, 1968 - August 31, 2025

Clayton Russell “Clay” Dearstyne, 57, of Fort Myers, Florida, passed away on August 31,

2025. Born on February 21, 1968, Clay was a devoted son, father, and friend whose warmth and steady presence touched the lives of all who knew him.

Clay will be remembered most for his devotion to his family. A hardworking man, Clay was

thoughtful and reserved, someone who showed his love through quiet dedication. He found

peace in the outdoors, especially fishing. In later years, his greatest joy came from spending time

with his grandchildren, who were the light of his life, and from the loyal companionship of his

dog, Hazel. Those who knew him best will remember him as a loving and passionate man who valued family above all else.

Clay is survived by his sister, Carol Virano; his son, Bryce, and his wife, Tara; and his daughter,

Callie, and her husband, Kurt, along with their children, Kurt III, Kinley, Margot, Vivian, and

Kasen Clay.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 11:00

a.m. at Crossroads

Baptist Church, 10721 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers, Florida.

Those wishing to honor Clay's life may do so with a donation to the American Kidney Fund (<https://www.kidneyfund.org/>), an organization that provided meaningful support to him and continues to help others in need.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Crossroads Baptist Church
10721 Palm Beach Blvd.
Fort Myers, FL 33905

Tribute Wall

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“Katie W & Moriah W purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Clayton Russell Dearstyne.



Katie W & Moriah W - September 25, 2025 at 09:08 PM

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“When I met Clayton I had no idea what I was in for. I started working with him at a local trash company and we became friends as he took me under his wing to teach me the ropes. We drifted apart the last 5 years or so but I will forever cherish meeting him and getting to know his wisdom and genuine kindness he had for others. RIP Clayton, I know a lot of people will miss you.

T Brown - September 20, 2025 at 04:23 PM

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“I will really miss my neighbor Clayton. He was such an amazing human being with such a great sense of humor. He was one of the very first neighbors who spoke to me when I first moved into the neighborhood and made me feel welcomed. We developed a friendship and our dogs became friends. He was so funny I remember the first time I spoke to him and asked him if Hazel was pregnant he replied “nah she’s just fat” he made me laugh. Throughout the 2 years I have lived here we would sometimes cook dinner and bring him some dinner since we knew he lived alone. He was recently very happy and proud to share with me the picture of his new triplet grand babies and he was so proud of his beautiful family. Rest easy Clayton.

yolanda guzman - September 09, 2025 at 06:35 PM