



Richard Amel Clark

January 24, 1939 - February 16, 2013

Richard Amel Clark, age 74, of Jumping Branch, West Virginia passed away on Saturday, February 16, 2013. Dick was born and raised in Miami, Florida, graduated from North Miami Senior High School, and retired to Jumping Branch W. Virginia. Dick was one of four children born to the late Amel and Louise Clark of N. Miami FL. He was beloved husband of Lois Clark, celebrating 19 years of marriage. He was preceded in death by his siblings, Brooks Clark and Merle Blocker. He is survived by his younger brother Robert Clark. He will forever be remembered in the hearts of his children Deborah Guignet, Don Clark, Todd Clark, and Diane Jay. He was proud to be "Papa" to his many grandchildren, and was deeply touched when his precious daughters became grandmothers. He served in the U.S. Air Force Fire and Rescue from 1960 -1964. He retired from the Miami-Dade County Fire Department after 33 years of dedicated service. He was deeply gratified when his sons Don and Todd Clark, and son-in-law James Jay also entered the Fire Service. It seemed natural that during his Fire Department career he earned the nickname "Hook", a credit to his fishing skills and humorous narratives. Dick was a very active member of Stanton Memorial North Shore Baptist Church in Miami, FL while raising his family. Recently Dick and Lois were worshippers at the Nimitz Baptist Church in W. Virginia. Dick was an ardent outdoorsman, who relished daring and adventure as a young man with the same passion he felt in retirement feeding his deer by hand in W. Virginia. Growing up in Miami he was drawn to the ocean where he spent many hours

free diving plus both salt and fresh water fishing from his jon boat. He learned early in life the value of a good friend, a faithful dog, as well as the deep and abiding love of family. His love of creating and engineering swamp buggies, trekking through the Florida Everglades, and hunting each season was highlighted with an annual camping trip, a special time of family renewal and revitalization. A lifetime supporter of the NRA, he fondly reminisced about events from his many outdoors trips over the miles and through the years. He had a special knack for simplifying the most daunting tasks and encouraging mutual creativity. He touched the lives of those he met, but his enduring friendships were dearest to his heart. His passion for song, guitar, and self-taught piano playing enriched the time spent with his family. Dick felt immeasurable pleasure with his children's love of the Lord and the warmth they created in their own homes. Dick will be remembered first and foremost by everyone for his trademark charm and sense of humor. This special touch unflinchingly upheld and encouraged his children through the days till he departed for a reunion with His Lord and family. A visitation will be held from 10 AM to NOON followed by a Memorial Service on Saturday, February 23, 2013 at the First Baptist Church of Lehigh Acres, 507 Sunshine Boulevard N., Lehigh Acres, Florida 33971. Arrangements for Richard's final care have been entrusted to Anderson-Patterson Cremation and Funeral Services, 2701 Lee Boulevard, Lehigh Acres, Florida 33971, (239) 368-7080. Please sign the guestbook to express online condolences to the family.

Tribute Wall



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October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



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