



## Cleo Calvin Clark

July 28, 1966 - October 24, 2024

Cleo Calvin Clark passed away on October 24, 2024. He was born feet first into the world on July 28, 1966, the son of Chester Clark, Cleo lived 58 years to the fullest. He worked for 22 years at Cutler-Hammer in Lincoln before taking the truck driving industry by storm. Cleo drove over a million miles all across the US, something he was very proud of. Cleo loved spending time working in the garden, watching his 3 dogs play in the yard, picking up seashells on the beach, riding his motorcycle, and attending his grandkid's soccer games and chess matches. Cleo never met a stranger, as any gas station employee or barista in central Illinois could attest. He was always ready with a funny story or witty advice. He was absolutely a memorable character and he will be missed by more people than we will ever know. Cleo is survived by his wife of 38 amazing years, Ruth Clark, his 2 daughters Megan Clark (Javier Moreno) and Sarah Shawgo (Ben Shawgo) and his legacy, 4 grandchildren: Ryan, Nora, and Miles Shawgo, and Stella Moreno. He taught us many things, chief among them, "If you can't dazzle them with your brilliance, baffle them with your bullshit." We plan to make sure The Legend lives on even when, "it's a brutal old struggle for the biscuit." We will miss you.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, November 9, 2024 at the Easton Fire House from noon until 3:00 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made in Cleo's name to Pets Without Parents.



# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

NOV 9. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Easton Fire House  
102 E. Main St.  
Easton, IL 62633

# Tribute Wall

RC

“ Thank you to every one of you who have called, sent cards, left messages and memories here. The loss of our Legend is more than we can bear right now. These comments and words of love and care for Cleo and who he was give us so much comfort! Thank you for being a friend of Cleo's, he certainly loved meeting and chatting with people, he loved trucking and being able to drive all over this country! He was a larger than life personality and yet he was so incredibly proud of our girls, loved our son in laws and adored being Poppa to our 4 grands. There was nothing better than having my driver to go watch the girls play soccer, or spend the day watching Ry at chess tournaments. Traveling was always interesting because he never really needed a gps and he knew all the best places to stop! I will miss our yearly trips to Sanibel with family! It's so unfair that he was so looking forward to retiring in 2028 and immersing himself in gardening, traveling and grands. He will hopefully be keeping watch over us from heaven. He was truly an amazing man and we will forever love and miss him and all his legendary stories!💔🌹

Ruthie Clark - November 08, 2024 at 06:08 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Cleo Calvin Clark.



October 31, 2024 at 03:13 PM

PO

“ Worked with Cleo at Eaton with very funny and so kind . Would always speak and tell a funny story.  
Prayers to his wife and family .  
Peggy and Guy Overbey

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**Peggy Overbey** - October 29, 2024 at 06:15 PM

MC

“ Ruth and family so very sorry for your loss,my deepest sympathy to you all!



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**Melinda Combs** - October 29, 2024 at 06:06 PM

PR

“ Worked at Cutler Hammer / Eaton with him , always spoke and joked .Consider him a friend. I am so sorry to all his family!  
Paula

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**Paula Rutherford** - October 29, 2024 at 10:13 AM

LH

“ Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Cleo Clark



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**Larry and Mary Hundt** - October 29, 2024 at 08:39 AM

KZ

“ so very sorry for your loss. Kay Zimmerman



Kay Zimmerman - October 29, 2024 at 08:01 AM

BF

“ I worked with him at Darling and spoke with him every day, he was a good friend who loved his family

Brett Frakes - October 29, 2024 at 07:16 AM

LD

“ Larry Dunham lit a candle in memory of Cleo Clark



Larry Dunham - October 28, 2024 at 10:41 PM

DH

“ So sorry for your loss.

Dona Hudgins - October 28, 2024 at 06:14 PM

VW

“ I am sorry for your lost - unfortunately I didn't know Cleo even though we were cousins - His Grandma (Maude) was my dad's (Austin) sister I wish i had. From his smile - he was a happy spirit My heart goes out to all of you 💕

Vicki Wilson - October 28, 2024 at 05:49 PM

VW

“ Vicki Wilson lit a candle in memory of Cleo Clark



Vicki Wilson - October 28, 2024 at 05:39 PM

TA

“ Worked with Cleo at DarPro until I quit. He would stop often & give me his report 😊. I will miss him personally myself. So sorry for your family's loss 🙏

todd arnold - October 28, 2024 at 03:16 PM

MB

“ Im so sorry for the loss of your Dad n Ruthie the loss of your love!! He was such a very good cousin n all around good guy. I'm here for all of ya if ya need anything or just chat.



Melinda Ballinger - October 28, 2024 at 02:58 PM

TE

“ Ruth , we are so sorry for the loss of Cleo. You and the girls and your family have our deepest sympathy. We will miss Cleo.

Rick and Terrie Elrod

Terrie Elrod - October 28, 2024 at 02:20 PM

JF

“ Ruth, and family I am so very sorry for your loss, 💔

Joy Fischer - October 28, 2024 at 12:39 PM

SN

“ *Ruth and family we are so sorry. Our hearts go out to you all. Cleo was a super guy. You are in our thoughts at this very difficult time.*  
*Sharon and John*

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**Sharon Bale and John Nelson** - October 28, 2024 at 12:37 PM

JF

“ *Joy Fischer lit a candle in memory of Cleo Clark*



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**Joy Fischer** - October 28, 2024 at 12:35 PM

DP

“ *Ruthie, Sarah, Megan and family, my heart breaks for you all. Cleo was an amazing man who loved his family (including the furry ones) and God with all his big heart. I never met him in person, only on the phone through trucking and Facebook, but, he was always respectful and full of life. Reading of his death hit me hard, because I realized that there would be no more wonderful messages about his daughters, grandbabies and you, Ruthie, the love of his life. I will miss his greetings every holiday, and his humorous comments on my birthday because I was older than him! I know he is home with our Lord, whom he loved with all his heart, but he will be missed by every life he touched. You all are in my heart, my thoughts and my prayers.*

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**Donna Pauling** - October 28, 2024 at 10:22 AM

AJ

“ *My Favorite Customer There Was Never A Dual Moment When you Walk Through Those Doors Every Wednesday Morning You Will Be Missed Truly From Your Dunkin Family 🥰*



aaliyha johnson - October 28, 2024 at 10:11 AM

TO

“ *Cleo was always jovial and fun to travel with. You never had to worry about directions because he knew every route in the country. You've traveled to your final destination and won the race. :)*

Tony - October 28, 2024 at 09:49 AM

GL

“ *Good morning Ruth this is Grace Larson I should share your sorrow your life will change I've been going through it for 10 months now trying to make sense of it all with Bob so I know it's rough in that just remember take care of yourself now and be with your friends and family they need you and you need them my prayers are with you*

Grace Larson - October 28, 2024 at 09:46 AM