



Kenneth Leroy Clark

February 20, 1944 - March 10, 2023

Kenneth LeRoy was born February 20, 1944 to Mildred (Critchfield) and Claude D. Clark in Penokee, Kansas. A devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, he passed peacefully surrounded by loved ones on March 10, 2023 at the age of 79 years and 18 days. Although he was faced with insurmountable health challenges, he never lost his sense of humor and engaging spirit.

He grew up in Morland, Kansas with his two brothers where his claim to fame was being a member of an undefeated 8-man state championship football team and a Golden Gloves boxer.

In 1964, Kenny married the love of his life, Donna Hoopes thanks to a divinely orchestrated blind date. Kenny and Donna moved to Alva in 1964 after letting destiny decide their new home when Kenny closed his eyes and put his finger down on a US map. He never doubted this decision to move to Alva and found it to be the perfect place to raise their two children, Brian and Lynette and spend the rest of his life.

Kenny became well acquainted in the Alva Community as the long-time owner of the Palace Barbershop, Charter Member of the Moose Lodge, long-term member of Lions Club, Friends Church, Card Club, Senior Nutrition Board, Salt Fork Square Dancers and Cemetery Board. Nearly every day, Kenny could be found at 818 or McDonalds sharing entertaining stories, jokes and conversation with his dear friends.

Anyone who stepped in Kenny's barbershop or met him, became quickly

aware of his outgoing personality, keen sense of humor, generous nature and love of people. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Kenny was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Victor and Darrell. He is survived by Donna, a loving wife of 59 years in May, a son Brian Clark (wife Lisa), and a daughter Lynette Brown (husband Jimmy), grandchildren: Taylor Wilson (husband Wade), Trevor Clark, Brendan Brown, Austin Clark, Raegan Brown and two great-grandchildren Kasen and Kally Wilson.

Memorial Contributions may be made in his memory to Friends Church or Meals on Wheels (Alva Senior Citizens)

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 13. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wharton Funeral Chapel, LLC.
1302 W. Oklahoma Boulevard
Alva, OK 73717

Family Visitation

MAR 14. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside

MAR 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

Forest Park Cemetery
Anthony, KS 67003

Tribute Wall



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Kenneth Leroy Clark*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - March 14, 2023 at 12:44 PM

LL

We are so very sorry for your family's loss: Kenneth's father and my mother were siblings. Growing up I loved to be around Uncle Claude and Aunt Mildred and the family. They had the biggest hearts ever! Kenny loved to tease but he made us laugh hard! He always was a good guy! When we met Donna we just thought they made the sweetest couple and loved her too. My husband Garry got so many laughs being around Kenny! It was always a good time! Kenneth was so proud of his little family: He loved telling stories of cute things his grandkids did. He liked them a little ornery! He felt like they got it from him! His Witt is unmeasured! God bless his whole family! Linda (Anderson) Longworth and Garry Longworth

Linda Longworth - March 15, 2023 at 09:51 PM

LB

So sorry for your family's loss. Kenneth's Father and my Father were cousins. So we were cousins. I have enjoyed being friends on Facebook with you and following your family's happenings. Sending love and prayers to you. Linda Paintin Blancett

Linda Blancett - March 19, 2023 at 01:04 AM

RF

“ *Rhonda Fields lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Leroy Clark*



Rhonda Fields - March 27, 2023 at 02:56 PM

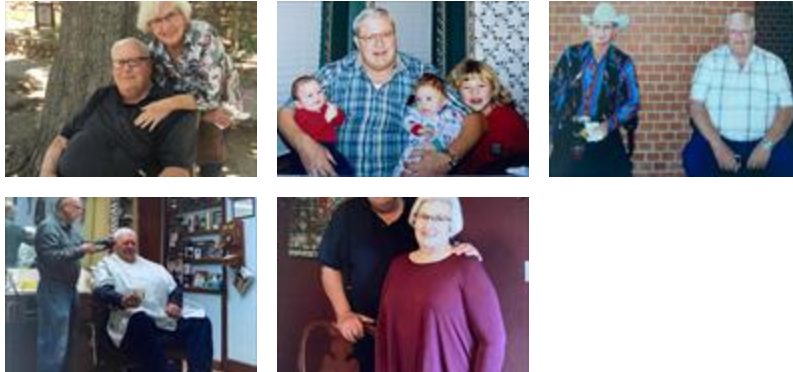
PO

“ *My sincere condolences to his family! I have known them for many years and played cards with them! What a fun man to be around, always a smile, always a joke and always thinking of others! We'll all miss Kenny!*

Peggy ONeil - March 15, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *135 files added to the album Kenny Memories*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - March 14, 2023 at 12:50 PM

SF

“ Steve Lawrence Family purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Kenneth Leroy Clark.



Steve Lawrence Family - March 13, 2023 at 12:17 PM

BB

“ Many memories through the years. Most haircuts with the boys (3). Then there was Great Grandpa Bill, Grandpa R.M. BEELER and Bill Beeler and I think a time or two with Kevin's son Eric. Donna and family our prayers are with you for lots of comfort.



Bill/Linda Beeler - March 12, 2023 at 10:00 PM

RS

Mr. Clark gave our son his first haircut. Bless all of you

Rita seaman - March 13, 2023 at 04:38 PM

JS

“ Prayers to the family ,with my Deepest condolences.



Jennifer 's Salon - March 12, 2023 at 09:49 PM

AS

“ Donna and family , keeping all in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss seeing him at McDonald's giving him a hard time.



Annette Schwerdtfeger - March 12, 2023 at 09:00 PM

GB

“ Donna and Family, we are so very sorry for your loss. We are also sad that we will not be able to make it to his service. Know that we will be giving you hugs from afar. We have good memories of Kenneth, especially how he loved to tease. With love, Greg and Janet Jackson Baldwin

Greg and Janet Jackson Baldwin - March 12, 2023 at 06:42 PM

RW

“ Lynette, we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Our prayers and condolences are with you, your mother, and your family.



Rodney & Chris Weidenmaier - March 12, 2023 at 03:06 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kenneth Leroy Clark.



March 12, 2023 at 02:43 PM

JR

“ Jeannie Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Leroy Clark



Jeannie Rhodes - March 12, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Kenneth Leroy Clark.



March 12, 2023 at 01:55 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth Leroy Clark.



March 12, 2023 at 11:56 AM

VS

“ Sincere condolences, Donna & family. May each of your hearts be warmed with special memories of one so dear to you! He was one of a kind, and will be sorely missed by all who knew him!

Vaughna Schmidt - March 11, 2023 at 09:48 PM

LW

“ *Donna and Family, We send our deepest sympathy to you and your family!!*

Larry and Carolyn Woods

Larry Woods - March 11, 2023 at 09:39 PM

IE

“ *I will dearly miss his teasing, and his ability to accept it when I returned it. He suffers no more, Donna. We'll tease him again in heaven.*

Ida Evans - March 11, 2023 at 08:56 PM

LS

“ *Love, Kim and Sonny Shotwell purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Kenneth Leroy Clark.*



Love, Kim and Sonny Shotwell - March 11, 2023 at 08:32 PM