



Gene Alan Clark

February 2, 1947 - October 6, 2020

Gene Alan Clark was born February 2, 1947 in Tulsa, Oklahoma to Walter ("Dub") and Ruth Kenslow Clark. He passed from this life October 6, 2020 at age 73 in Tulsa. Gene was raised and educated in Tulsa, where he graduated from Memorial High School. His attendance at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah for two years was interrupted by his enlistment in the U.S. Army and his deployment to Vietnam. He fought in the 1968 Tet offensive.

Gene was married to Mary Lou Stepp Murphy from 1975 until her death in 1991. Together they raised Mary Lou's four young daughters and later two grandchildren, all of whom knew him only as "dad". Gene married Helen Akins Gamble in 1996. Together they raised Helen's two young children and Gene's younger grandchild.

Gene worked in his father's company, M&S Tile, until the business sold in 1980, and then became an independent flooring contractor. In 1996 Gene pursued formal education in Novel intranet design, implementation, and administration and through his company Covenant Network Support delivered small business network engineering support services. Gene was a 32nd degree Mason. Throughout life Gene was guided by his intense love and unwavering faith in his Savior, Jesus Christ. He was a member of Church On The Move for the past 20 years.

Gene had a big heart and a wit that lifted and enriched family, friends, and acquaintances all through the years. His ability to make people happy and laugh will be sorely missed.

He is survived by wife Helen; daughters Tammi Thacker, Tina Murphy, Teri and husband Jim Summerlin, Traci Popejoy, and Talisha Thacker, all of Tulsa, and Aundrea and husband Jere Holt of Dallas, TX; sons Trevor Thacker and Andrew ("A.J.") Gamble of Tulsa; brothers Don and wife Kay Clark of Tulsa and Scott Clark of Key West, FL.; 18 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and countless beloved friends.

Viewing will be Friday, October 16, 2020 from 10AM - 8PM with visitation from 4PM - 6PM at Moore's Southlawn, 9350 E. 51st, Tulsa, OK. (face coverings required). Funeral service will be 1:00 P.M., Saturday, October 17, 2020 at Moore's Southlawn Chapel, Tulsa. Interment to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Moore's Southlawn 918-663-2233

Events

OCT **Visitation** 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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Moore's Southlawn

9350 E. 51st, Tulsa, OK, US, 74145

OCT **Funeral** 01:00PM

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Moore's Southlawn Chapel

9350 E. 51st, Tulsa, OK, US, 74145

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Moore Funeral Home - October 17, 2020 at 01:05 PM



“ It was a beautiful service. You can tell how loved Gene was and how much he loved others. His family's is blessed to have had him in their lives.

Stephanie Scott - October 17, 2020 at 04:28 PM



“ What a tribute to Gene. Awesome service. Sorry, I couldn't be there. My prayers go out to all of you. Gary Witt

Gary R Witt - October 17, 2020 at 08:53 PM



“ I served with Gene in the Army Security Agency in the late Sixties, in the Orient. Met him in 1968, and he was the epitome of the word Friend.

I was extremely fortunate to have known him then, and then to have found him again years later after the military - (I looked for him for about 20 years).

Gene was 5 days older than I was, and he was the kind of person who just naturally slid into the job of "older brother" so easily.

He was my sounding board, my mentor, and he kept me out of trouble, as well as helped me beat my drinking problem, which I will be forever grateful for.

Space will not allow for me to properly say all that I could say about Gene here, but know that you may likely increase by ten, whatever anyone does say here about him.

He was, and is, your best friend - he was mine.

Gene - Vaya con Dios, mi hermano.

~peace...

hank mudge - October 18, 2020 at 10:59 PM



“ Sheila Boughers and family purchased the Garden Accent Stone - Our family chain... for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



Sheila Boughers and family - October 17, 2020 at 03:53 PM



“ When we were little, probably about 7 or so, aunt Ruth, brought the boys Gene and Don to Kansas City and spent a week or so with my brother Joe and me. Gene and me were glued at the hip. We went all over our neighborhood and played until dark. The event in question is Gene and me went across the street, to a neighbor, where there were toys left out. This house was above ours by about 12 feet or so, with steps cut into the ground and stone walls, probably regular size. Gene got on a tricycle and was showing me how close he could come to the stairs it worked fine until he got going too fast and down the stairs he went, bouncing all over the stairs and walls. He got beat up pretty bad, and I went down and got him off and across the street where his mom took control, she asked what happened, Gene replied he went down the stairs, aunt Ruth asked why didn't you put on the brakes? Gene said I did the stairs were too steep! There were many, many more stories like these.... I will miss Gene Allen Clark deeply....

William Herron - October 16, 2020 at 08:10 PM



“ Love, Kristin and Donnie Maner purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



Love, Kristin and Donnie Maner - October 16, 2020 at 02:27 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



October 15, 2020 at 09:52 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



October 15, 2020 at 09:04 AM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



October 14, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



October 14, 2020 at 08:56 AM



“ Angela Knight purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



Angela Knight - October 13, 2020 at 07:29 AM



“ Helen, Henno and I are so sorry for your loss. We will never forget you and Gene taking us to dinner, a tour of your beautiful home and helping us along as we were making our decision to move to Tulsa. Gene is now home with the Lord, take comfort in that and know that he is there watching you, rooting for you until you are once again reunited. God Bless you and your family during this sad time. Sharon and Henno Heymans.

Sharon - October 12, 2020 at 07:19 PM



“ Bill, Sheri, Tammy and Chris Herron purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



Bill, Sheri, Tammy and Chris Herron - October 12, 2020 at 05:19 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Gene Alan Clark.



October 11, 2020 at 03:37 PM



“ 10.06.2020—This morning my Uncle Gene received his angel wings. Gene never knew a stranger, would help anyone whether he knew them or not, and hands-down had the best belly laugh of anyone I've ever known. He helped raise close to a dozen kids (none of whom were biologically his) and was a father figure to at least twice as many. He was not only the best friend of my father, since childhood, but decades later married my Aunt Helen, the baby sister of my father. Gene served our country in Vietnam, alongside his best friend (my dad). He was a selfless man. A giving man. An incredibly wise man. He treated my grandpa Akins like a dad and, funny enough, the older Gene became, the more he acted just like my grandpa Akins. I can hear those two cutting up in Heaven now. We have lost a great man here on earth but Heaven has gained an angel. Selfishly, my heart hurts; though, I smile because he is no longer in pain and dancing around heaven with his loved ones long passed. May God be with our family, especially my Aunt Helen who loved him more than words. I can only hope he will watch over me. I love you forever and always! Until we meet again...

Beth Akins - October 09, 2020 at 08:59 PM