



Mr. John "JW" Clark

November 26, 1954 - March 25, 2024

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isaiah 40:31

Today, our hearts are broken as we all mourn the loss of our beloved brother. His bright light and big heart have gone to be with the Lord, but we will remember his warmth, love, and kindness. John taught us all some fundamental lessons while he made his journey through life. Of which, the most memorable was to develop a sense of impenetrable generosity. He was a wonderful father, son, brother, nephew, and uncle who was always there when we needed him. He also had many friends and was a well-loved member of the community.

The Blessed Life of John Wash Clark "J.W." began Friday, November 26, 1954, born to the late Charlie Clark, Sr. and Florida Ross-Clark in Mellwood, Arkansas. He was the fifth child born following Rosemary, Charlene, Charlie, Johnny, and Shirelene; followed by Everette, Henry, Sharon, Mary, Marilyn, and Nina.

Over the years John took on the role of Father for many of his nieces and nephews; he had a special place in his heart and he loved them as he loved his own children . His first love was God, after that he showed his family and

friends unconditional love. John seemed to enjoy helping people. He had special pet names and relationships with each of them. John spent his late childhood and early adulthood in Chicago, Illinois under the parentage of the late Annie Jordan "Q. T." John was reared in a household where Christian values, education, hard work, and the love and support of family were a priority and these attributes became the foundation on which he built his life.

Two phenomenal events of his life were the birth of his two children; sons, Jason Duvall Clark and Justin Jay Clark. He took so much pride in raising and nurturing his children. After becoming a grandfather to Jayden and Kloe, John seemed to have been given a new lease of life. He took so much pride in spending weeks vacationing, going on long road trips, and he loved spending quality time with them. He loved and cherished his children and grandchildren and created so many memorable years. John will forever be remembered by his warm and kind spirit. When it came to caring for others, he would stop and drop everything he was doing to lend a helping hand.

Aside from loving to be with family members, he had many things that he enjoyed doing. He loved growing house plants and had a real green thumb. Most of all, John was very genuine with the love he showed to family and friends, never meeting a stranger. He had a loving relationship with every member of his family and they will miss him dearly.

John accepted Christ as his personal Savior at an early age and was baptized by water. He was active in his local church throughout his adult life and enjoyed fellowshiping with them serving as: an usher, and volunteering in any auxiliary where there was a need. His relationship with God was very visible through his stewardship.

John lived in Kansas City, Kansas for a great number of years, where he married Arline the mother of his two sons. In 1994 he relocated to Saginaw,

Michigan where he spent the rest of his life around his siblings, nieces, nephews, and cousins. While in Saginaw John was a very dedicated employee at Eaton Corporation as a Machine Operator and Production at Means Industries. In addition, John studied Heat and received his certification in 2008 at Delta College in Saginaw.

In his spare time, he enjoyed spending time with his family. He often spoke of his precious grandchildren Jayden and Khloe, whom he often referred to as his prince and princess. He also enjoyed visiting the homes of his cousins for cookouts, attending church, family events, and traveling.

Early on a blessed and beautiful Monday morning, March 25, 2024, at 12:12 a.m. John answered the call of Jesus and traded mortality for immortality. An eternal life that had been planned sixty-nine years ago. God prepared a place just for him. May we all walk as John did with faith and confidence knowing we are all children of the One God.

Surviving family he leaves to cherish his memory and forever keep his legacy alive, son, Justin Clark, Kansas City, KS; granddaughter, Khloe, Kansas, City, KS; grandson Jayden, Kansas City, KS; daughter-in-love, Brittney, Kansas City, KS; sisters, Rose Lee Mubiru, Detroit, MI; Missionary Charlene Powell, Saginaw, MI; Mary (Robert) Slater, Memphis, TN; Marilyn (James) Golden, and Nina Ross, Benton Harbor, MI; brothers, Charlie (Jeanette) Clark, Saginaw, MI; Johnny (Cheryl) Ross, Raytown, TX; sisters-in-law, Vera Clark, Saginaw, MI and Jerlester Gordon-Freeman, Marvell, AR; uncle, Henry (Brenda) Burrell, Saginaw, MI; life partner, Susan Furman, Saginaw MI; special friends, Faye Cole and Katrina Harry; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. John "JW" Clark was preceded in death by one son, Jason Clark; parents,

Florida and, Charlie, Sr.; Annie Jordan "Q.T."; sisters, Rosemary Goodwine, Shirelene Gum, and Sharon Johnson; brothers, Everette Clark and Henry Ross; brothers-in-law, David Goodwine, Sr., Izah Broadus and Jefery Johnson; aunts, Neomia Williams, Elizabeth Lewis, Mary Lee, Lorsteen Webster, Vinnie C. Robinson and Georgia Burrell; uncles, Oscar Lewis, Rufus Lee, Louis Burrell and Richard Burrell; nieces, Maria Goodwine, Lashun King, Kelsey Williams, and Jenna Ross; baby nephews, Tyrone Goodwine and Brandon Ross.

"In life we had pleasures with our loved ones we have sorrows and joy but thank God for the memories that death cannot destroy"

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 AM Saturday, April 6, 2024 at New Birth Missionary Baptist Cathedral, 3121 Sheridan, Saginaw, MI 48601. Bishop Larry Camel, Host Pastor and Pastor Andre Faulkner will officiate. Visitation will take place from 2:00-7:00 PM on Friday.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 5. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 North Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607

Funeral Service

APR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Birth Missionary Baptist Cathedral

Tribute Wall

JS

“ With heartfelt sympathy to the Clark family during this difficult time. You have our love and prayers.



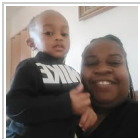
Josephine Smith - April 05, 2024 at 08:32 PM

HD

“ Condolences to the Clark Family in the passing of John. I was working at Eaton Corporation when I met John, a very nice person and dedicated worker. John always greeted you with a big smile and had a nice personality toward others. May his soul rest in peace.



Hazel Durham - April 05, 2024 at 04:03 PM



“ I am going to miss you uncle John every time I see you you always say hey sade tha do how are you doing on today you will always be in my heart.

Sade Henry Gregory - April 05, 2024 at 10:40 AM

CS

“ Charles A. Sledge sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark



Charles A. Sledge - April 05, 2024 at 10:26 AM

GP

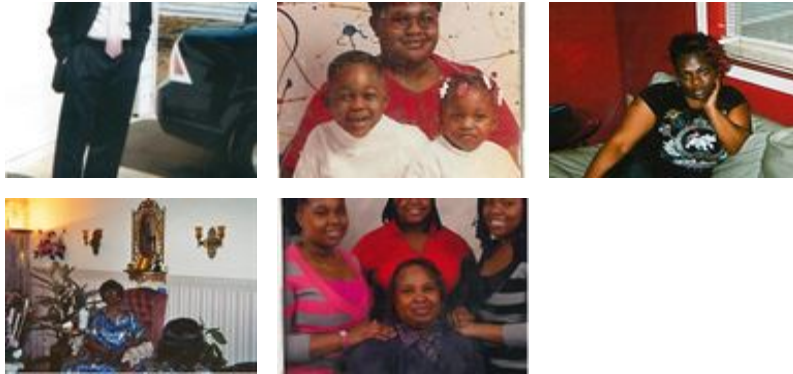
“ Gerald And Alberta Palmer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark



Gerald and Alberta Palmer - April 05, 2024 at 08:52 AM



“ 74 files added to the album Life Tributes



Browne's Mortuary - April 04, 2024 at 04:58 PM

PC

“ Our deepest condolences to the family of John Clark. We pray that the comfort of the Holy Spirit envelope and keep you. John served the Lord at Faith Harvest Church with such joy and kindness. Although we will miss John we rejoice knowing that he accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and he is with our heavenly Father forever.

Phyllis M Chipp - April 04, 2024 at 01:31 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mr. John "JW" Clark.



April 04, 2024 at 11:22 AM



“ Faith Harvest Church Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. John "JW" Clark.

Faith Harvest Church Family - April 04, 2024 at 11:22 AM



“ John was such a nice person. He was one of our patients and I enjoyed talking with him. Rest in peace John. No more pain.

Valerie Packard - April 02, 2024 at 07:54 AM



“ Our sincere condolences to the entire Clark family. Praying for all of you.



Gerald and Alberta Palmer - March 31, 2024 at 09:51 PM

TJ

“ *Trina V. Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Trina V. Jackson - March 31, 2024 at 05:46 PM

LN

“ *My condolences to the family*

I had the honor of working with John at Eaton he was a gentleman through and through, just a beautiful soul. Rest in peace my friend



Lanette Neumann - March 30, 2024 at 07:55 PM

KR

“ *Kim Ross lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Kim Ross - March 30, 2024 at 12:13 PM

RG

“ John you'll be surely missed on Sunday morning by me and all the kids in the nursery and children's church ,John was an active member in the ministry of helps at Faith Harvest Church for over 10 years working along side the brother's during maintenance,security and ushering ,the Gilmer family and his church family will be lifting his family up in prayers



Rochelle Gilmer - March 30, 2024 at 11:55 AM

PW

“ Patrice Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark



Patrice Williams - March 30, 2024 at 07:53 AM

BS

“ Betty Scott lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark



Betty Scott - March 29, 2024 at 09:46 PM

KW

“ *Kemeshia Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Kemeshia Walker - March 29, 2024 at 10:00 AM

VC

“ *You will be truly miss a brother in law forever you were a great uncle to my children we all will miss you Rest in peace my friend*



Vera Clark - March 28, 2024 at 07:23 PM

VC

“ *Vera Clark sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Vera Clark - March 28, 2024 at 07:16 PM

JG

“ *Janet Grays lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Janet Grays - March 28, 2024 at 05:02 PM

PC

“ R.I.P. John



Penny cole - March 28, 2024 at 04:52 PM

PB

“ Pat Brummell lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark



Pat Brummell - March 28, 2024 at 11:38 AM

PM

“ My deepest condolences to John's family in his passing. I knew him at Faith Harvest Church. He was very friendly and helpful to every body. May he rest in peace.



Pansy Murray - March 27, 2024 at 10:29 PM

CT

“ Cherie Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark



Cherie Thompson - March 26, 2024 at 08:22 PM

FC

“ *Faye Cole sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Faye Cole - March 26, 2024 at 07:28 PM

IY

“ *Isabel Yrlas-Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John "JW" Clark*



Isabel Yrlas-Wilson - March 26, 2024 at 04:47 PM