



Dennis Clark

April 7, 1943 - May 10, 2020

Dennis Clark, 77, of Battle Ground passed away Sunday, May 10, 2020 at his residence. He was born April 7, 1943 in Lafayette to the late Robert and Helen (Brenner) Clark. He was a graduate of Lafayette Jefferson High School. On February 20, 1960 he married Bonnie Braugh at Redeemer Lutheran Church and she survives. He was a member of St. James Lutheran Church.

Dennis owned Lafayette Glass Company and Central Indiana Glass Company. He was the Director of the National Glass Dealers Association for many years and was the first president of the Indiana Glass Association. He was honored as the Glass Digest Dealer of the Year in 1986 and was inducted into the Glass and Metal Hall Fame in 2002.

Dennis was a car enthusiast with memberships in the Antique Car Club of Lafayette and the National Antique Auto Club. He was a founding member of the Black Widows Car Club in Monticello. He was even featured on American Pickers where he sold them a Broncho. He loved the hunt of auctions and flea markets and couldn't pass up a deal. His favorite quote was "He who dies with the most toys wins" and he claimed he was ahead. His mottos were "If it is cheap or free, you gotta have it" and "If you really, really, really want something, how can you pay too much?".

Dennis was also a life-time member of the Lions Club and the NRA. His favorite night was Tuesday, guys night out with the Wildcat Creek Hunt Club. He had a great fondness for westerns and was a huge fan of Gene Autry and truly lived by the Cowboy Code.

Surviving along with his wife, Bonnie, are his children: Mick Clark (wife, Mary) of Del Ray Beach, FL, Becky Kosten (husband, Eric) of Leonardtown, MD, Chris Clark of Lafayette, and Aimee Clark also of Lafayette; brother Edward Clark (wife, Janis) and brother-in-law Frank Hayden. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Brenton Clark, Kaitlyn Kirby (husband, Chris), Joseph Kosten, Matthew Kosten, Mia Clark, Hannah Clark, Jaeda Clark; and great-grandchild Eliza Kirby.

Dennis is preceded in death by his parents, sister Ginny Hayden and daughter-in-law Kelly Clark.

His family would like to thank his friends who honored him with a parade of 122 antique cars the week before his death. It was very special and meant a lot to him and his family. Private family service to be held. Hippensteel Funeral Home assisting family with

arrangements. Memorial contributions may be directed to St. James Lutheran Church.
Please share memories and condolences online at www.hippensteelfuneralservice.com
<https://webcasts.lifetributes.com/1067079>

Comments



“ I met Denny at the Auburn Auction a few years back. He wanted to buy a gas pump I had restored but didn't have any room to haul it home. Next thing I know he buys this little ford van to haul the pump. We kept in touch after that and he always looked me up at the shows. We then realized we had homes close by in Florida and so we went to swap meets and flea markets. I really enjoyed Denny's company and will miss him very much. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
David& Danna Kimpel

David Kimpel - May 22 at 06:57 PM



“ Denny was a great compassionate person.
He will truly be missed. Our deepest sympathy to Bonnie and Family. Bill and Mary Hancock

mary Hancock - May 16 at 01:37 PM



“ Denny is one of the first people I did business with in Lafayette. He always was honorable and provided quality service. Since I am a car nerd our conversations always included some car talk.

RIP Denny. Cruise on.;)

tom walgamuth - May 14 at 09:54 AM



“ Rest in peace Denny. My sympathy to Bonnie and family for your loss. He will be missed by many. We treasure the memories and good times. I am honored to have known Denny and his family. Joe Lanoue

Joe Lanoue - May 13 at 05:50 PM



“ So sad to hear this. He came to my restaurant in Flora and bought a couple of signs (one was a Jake sign from our old restaurant at Purdue) and some neons. He planned on coming back to buy a few more. What a great man! He was a great storyteller and had a wealth of knowledge. His family should be very proud of who he was. Prayers to the family. Angie Brown - Cutler

Angie Brown - May 13 at 08:33 AM



“ What a great guy. Always had fun with Denny at our auctions and car shows. We will all miss him.
So sorry for your loss
Del Harper Toy Manager
Kraft Auctions

Del Harper - May 12 at 10:39 PM



“ Becky and family,

So sorry for your loss. Becky always spoke so highly of her father, I'm sure this is a difficult time.

Praying for your family,

Kelly Dombrosky

Kelly Dombrosky - May 12 at 06:18 PM



“ I remember Denny from Lake Freeman, his parents and my parents used to play cards together! Out of all the kids I was the youngest, and teased by my Brother & Denny. As being the youngest I got to see all the fun things Denny and the rest of kids did.. He was the life of the party with that smile and never knowing a stranger. My brother was part of the Lafayette Car Club, boy they all had a lot of fun finding old cars and giving them new life. I remember the last time I saw Denny he and my brother stopped by my daughters house, to see me and my little granddaughter, I hadn't seen Denny in many years, but it's like he hadn't changed a bit. He tried to get my little granddaughter to smile, but as usual she would just look at adults, like what are you doing, ha! I remember his wife Bonnie, of course being 10yrs old I thought all of them were cool! And Denny always Stayed young at Heart. My thoughts and prayers are with Bonnie and all her family and I'm sure they will carry on the Quality of Family as Denny & Bonnie did.
Sincerely
Sally Sage Cooper

Sally Sage Cooper - May 12 at 01:47 PM



“ What a good time we used to have at Lake Freeman. Denny was always the life of the party. Praying for Bonnie and the family. May the Lord be with you.

Ron Alkire - May 12 at 11:46 AM



“ Denny was truly a friend to many, he never met a stranger. Prayers to all the Clark family. He will be missed by so many people. Car shows and cruise ins will not be the same without him. RIP in peace my friend.

Phil Shoaf

Phillip Shoaf - May 12 at 11:46 AM



“ Dennis was somebody I looked up to. Always there for his friend with a kind word and always willing to help others.

Brian Roark - May 12 at 11:13 AM



“ I have known Denny all of my life. I have a lot of fond memories going on trips to Hershey, PA and Iola, WI with Denny. Not to mention all of the auctions and flea markets we attended. I will always remember him for his kindness and always willing to help out someone in need. What a great guy, always upbeat, positive, happy and laughing. That's what made it so fun to be around him. My heart and prayers go out to his entire family. He will be missed by many.

Lynn Senesac

Lynn Senesac - May 12 at 10:27 AM



“ Mrs. Clark, Mickey, Becky, Chris and Aimee,

So sorry for your loss. May your memories bring comfort during this time.

Tina Overley-Hilt

Tina Overley-Hilt - May 12 at 10:09 AM



“ Bonnie and family,

Denny was one of a kind and will be truly missed by many. Robert enjoyed his many years at the “deer shack “ with him and the guys! Out thoughts and prayers are with you.



Robert & Jan Koehler - May 12 at 09:04 AM



“ Dear Ed & Janis,
Sorry to read of Dennis passing. He will be missed by many. Thinking & praying for you with special thoughts.
Barbara Mourning Amos & John

Barbara & John Amos - May 12 at 08:02 AM



“ RIP MY FRIEND. MISS YOU BUDDY. PRAYS FOR BONNIE AND FAMILY.

Ed Hainje - May 12 at 09:55 AM



“ Bonnie and Aimee and Jaeda and family, My Condolences are with you all at this time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all and here's to many more years of great memories of Dennis!

Erin Culverhoue - May 11 at 03:08 PM



“ Kevin and Jill Parker purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Dennis Clark.



Kevin and Jill Parker - May 11 at 02:13 PM



“ Dennis and I have been friends since the 1950's. (both founding member of the Black Widow Auto Club during our high school years). Many great memories of a great guy. Dennis was unique in his ability to relate to anyone he met and share a smile and his awesome sense of humor. Love and Prayers for Bonnie and the Family

in their loss RIP my friend.

Mike Washburn
Jacksonville ,FL

Mike Washburn - May 11 at 01:37 PM