



## Mr. Jerry Eugene Clark

September 27, 2019

Jerry Eugene Clark was born November 7, 1935. He passed from this life September 27, 2019 surrounded by loving family members. There will be a funeral service held in his honor on September 30, 2019 at 11AM at Kimbrell-Stern with a visitation an hour before. Interment will be at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Jerry was the son of Philip James Clark and Wilma Elizabeth Cleveland Clark Commander. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Philip James Clark, Jr and Thad Cleveland Clark. He is survived by his younger brother Jackie Walter Clark husband of Harriet Woodard Clark from Hazlehurst. Other surviving family members include nieces and nephews Clay Clark, Reid Clark, Cecelia Clark McLoon, Todd Clark, Wes Clark, Terri Clark Manley, Philip Neal Clark, and Lyn Clark McRainey. The family of Norma Ford was very special to Jerry for many years.

Jerry attended the University of Georgia where he was on the diving team and the baseball team. He later graduated from Georgia Teachers College in Statesboro, Georgia. He earned his masters degree from Georgia Southwestern College and his educational specialist degree from Middle Tennessee State University.

Jerry retired from the Dougherty County School System after a 31-year career in which he was a teacher, coach, and administrator at Albany Junior High School (assistant principal and principal), Albany High School, and Westover High School. He is remembered by many as "Coach Clark" and over the years was loved by many students and athletes who attended the Dougherty County School System.

Jerry was president of the Dougherty County School System Secondary Principals Association. He was inducted in the Albany Sports Hall of Fame in 2001. Jerry was an avid golfer and a member of First United Methodist Church in Albany, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Dougherty County School System, ATTN: Lakesha Bryant, 200 Pine Avenue, Albany, Georgia 31701 to fund a Jerry Clark Memorial Scholarship.

To share your thoughts with the Clark family, you may visit our website at <http://www.kimbr ellstern.com>.

# Cemetery

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## Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd.

Albany, GA, 31707

# Events

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**SEP** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Kimbrell-Stern

1503 Dawson Road, Albany, GA, US, 31707

**SEP** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Kimbrell-Stern

1503 Dawson Road, Albany, GA, US, 31707

# Comments

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“ Mr. Clark was our assistant principal, and then, our principal at Albany Junior High. In the 8th grade, I was assigned to interview him, and it was the first time I had ever interviewed anyone "official." He was very easy to talk to, and called it like he saw it. Mr. Clark was a big encourager, and that meant a lot to me during my two years at AJHS. I'm thankful to have known him.

**Paul Ladd** - November 30, 2020 at 12:06 AM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Eugene Clark.



June 01, 2020 at 09:54 AM

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“ I knew Jerry most of his life. He came to Albany, behind his Cardinal Baseball brother Phil. Both worked for the School System with me. Phi- a wonderful 2nd Father to my son at Merry Acres-and Jerry and I worked closely many years at Albany Jr. Him and his Golf. Hope he is still getting that pleasure. Gerry Hill

**Gerry Hill** - April 02, 2020 at 10:59 AM

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“ DeLora Staines Rogers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jerry Eugene Clark



**DeLora Staines Rogers** - October 01, 2019 at 04:19 PM

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“ Jerry, “coach Clark” was my next door neighbor, coach and teacher in Jr. High. He bought a new “59 Chevy convertible” when I was in the 7th grade and he would take me to McIntosh Jr High with him. I thought that was pretty special. The four Clark boys all were older than me. Jackie, Jerry, Cleve, and Phillip and I idolized them as sports heroes and bigger than life. Cleve played football at UGA, and brother Phillip played for a while with the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team. I remember them all fondly and will miss them. Jackie I would love to see you, and sorry for your loss. I ran into Cleve a few years ago at a UGA football game. My sister Tina is living in Tucson Az. With my niece. GOD bless the family. Thad Joiner, Buford, Ga.

**Thad Joiner** - September 30, 2019 at 07:31 PM



“ Hi Thad. I'm Lyn, Philip's oldest child. I remember you living next to Mama C. Thanks for the comments!

**lyn clark mcrainey** - October 09, 2019 at 11:45 PM

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“ I have such fond memories of Jerry. I taught him my first year of teaching and then he was my principal many years later. He was truly a great guy and will be missed. My sympathy goes to the family.

**Carleen Newell Flowers** - September 30, 2019 at 09:22 AM

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“ Coach Clark and he's been a part of our lives since we were born. He was one of daddy's assistants in the 60's at Albany High and a great friend of the family since then.. He was my Head football coach at Westover in the 70's. I remember when I came to Westover, I already had a few bad habits. He brought in his office and said " Now, Waaahh, I have heard you have some bad habits and I expect those are all cleaned up now!" I said, " yes sir!" My Senior year, he lost about his whole football team after the first game to redistricting. I always respected how the coaching staff handled that. Coach Clark was definitely one of the good guys.  
Love, Warren and Connie Field



**Warren P Field** - September 29, 2019 at 10:16 PM

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“ I never had him as a teacher. He was a neighbor in the 1960s and was always kind to my family. He contributed a lot to our community. He will be missed.  
Karen Holloway Ross.

**Karen Holloway Ross** - September 29, 2019 at 08:39 PM

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“ When my family moved to Albany in 1958 Coach Clark was my homeroom teacher in 7th grade at McIntosh. We moved to Albany just a few months before my father suddenly died from a heart attack. The day my father died Coach Clark came by our house to see me. Its the kind of thing you remember. I will always remember.

**Charles R Parmelee** - September 29, 2019 at 07:36 PM

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“ Terribly sorry to hear of the passing of Coach Jerry. I started with him in 1959 in the seventh grade and as I moved on to Jr. High and then Albany High as a student, he moved on as a coach, teacher , and friend.I remember him as a tremendous softball player in the old City League and over the years I would sometimes run into him around town.He, along with the other coaches from those days, kept all of us young kids in line. Albany was a better place for them and I will always fondly remember Coach Jerry as my favorite, he was an unforgettable character. Tommy Weekley

**Tommy Weekley** - September 29, 2019 at 04:51 PM

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“ Jerry was a wonderful friend for many years. His dedication to the students of Dougherty County, love of life (and the game of golf) and great sense of humor endeared him to everyone. He held his friends on a high pedestal, and he loved each of them with all his heart. I will miss him.

**Brenda Horton** - September 28, 2019 at 07:47 PM

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“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry Eugene Clark.



September 28, 2019 at 04:37 PM

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“ As s teacher at Albany Jr. High School when Jerry was Principal, I respected him in every way. We will miss him as a friend.

**Dot Majors** - September 28, 2019 at 10:22 AM



“ I remember you teaching me science at Albany Jr High.

**melissa shirley** - September 29, 2019 at 07:44 PM