



## Delbert Charles Clark

June 18, 1929 - February 9, 2024

Del "Red" Clark passed away February 9, 2024 in the same farmhouse near Malinta, OH where he was born June 18, 1929. He was the youngest son of Charles E. and Viola (Erford) Clark.

He married Marylin Kelly on February 8, 1958, at St. Pius X Church in Toledo OH and together they raised four children: Michael (Wendy) of Fort Collins CO, Kathleen of O'Fallon MO, Jeffrey (Cassie) of Tega Cay SC, and Anne (Kent) Thomas of Bradenton FL.

Del was a 1947 graduate of Malinta-Grelton High School. He was a lifelong farmer and was proud to have carried on the family legacy. He was an avid NASCAR fan and enjoyed watching college football. He was an active member of the VFW in Napoleon OH and the Eagles in Ottawa OH.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers: Arthur of Traverse City MI and Robert of Nashville IN.

In addition to his wife of 66 years (and one day) and his children, he is survived by eight grandchildren: Zachary (Kiley), Connor, Charles, Matthew, and Ryan Clark; Noelle, Bryce, and Chloe Thomas; and two great-grandsons: Will and Crawford Clark.

The family greatly appreciates the kindness, compassion, and expertise of the staffs of Elera Caring Hospice, Interim Healthcare, and Visiting Angels.

Friends and family are welcome to pay their respects from 12 pm -1 pm Thursday, February 15, 2024, at the St. Joseph Annex at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Defiance OH. A funeral mass will be held immediately following, at

1:00pm. The celebrant will be Fr. Jason D'Souza.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Food Pantry at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Defiance OH or a charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon. Online condolences may be left for the family at [rodenbergergray.com](http://rodenbergergray.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **15**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
715 Jefferson Ave  
Defiance, OH 43512

*All Services to be held in the St. Joseph's Annex*

## Mass

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Charlie & Donna Kurtz & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Delbert Charles Clark.

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**Charlie & Donna Kurtz & Family** - February 14, 2024 at 12:03 PM

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“ Charlie & Donna Kurtz & Family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Delbert Charles Clark.



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