



# Richard "Dick" Demuth Clark (Lebanon)

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**R**ichard Demuth Clark, son of Henry B. “Bud” and Dorothy Demuth Clark, was born January 13, 1938, in Springfield, Missouri. He departed this life Sunday, May 8, 2022, in his home, near Lebanon, Missouri, at the age of eighty-four years, three months, and twenty-five days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, James Whitley Clark; and several aunts.

“Dick”, as he was called by his family and friends, is survived by two sons, Tony Clark, and his wife, Tara, of Boston, Massachusetts, and Ryan Clark, and his wife, Amy, of Kansas City, Missouri; four grandchildren, Hollen, Darren, Brendan, and Mason; as well as a host of other relatives and many friends.

He was born and raised in Laclede County, near Lebanon, Missouri, and was a direct descendent of two Lebanon Pioneer families, both the Clarks and the Demuths, who were instrumental in the development of the Lebanon Wholesale Grocers. Although Dick was very humble and quiet about his family history, he was proud to be associated with the business history that began with his family.

Dick graduated from Lebanon High School and then attended Drury University for a couple of years, where he played golf and basketball. He founded and operated Clarks Men’s Wear in downtown Lebanon, a business which he ran for fifty years.

He was a longtime member of First Christian Church of Lebanon, where again his family was a part of the church history for many years.

He belonged to the Lebanon Country Club and enjoyed playing golf throughout his life. He liked sports of all kinds and was a huge fan of the St. Louis Cardinals. He enjoyed listening to their games, and often had the radio playing in the background at the store whenever there was a game on. He was very faithful and devoted to his store which a fixture in downtown Lebanon for a number of years. He loved his family dearly and especially enjoyed having time with his grandchildren.



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Dick was a loving father, grandfather, and was a caring neighbor and friend. We celebrate his life and know that his family and friends will hold tight to the wonderful memories he made for them during his eighty-four years.

A memorial has been established to First Christian Church and donations may be left at the funeral home.



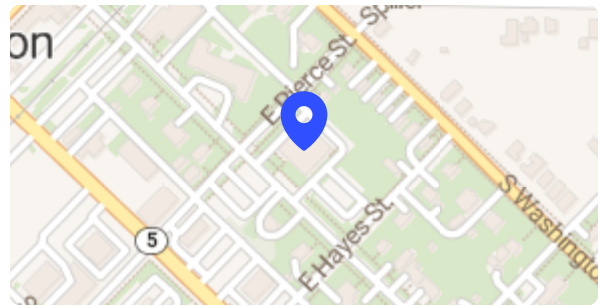
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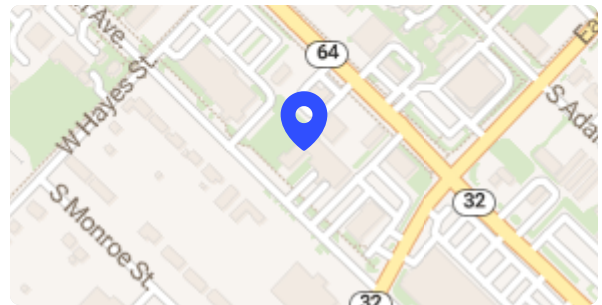
### Visitation

- Thursday**, May 12, 2022
- 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM CT
- Holman-Howe Funeral Homes Lebanon**  
320 S. Adams Ave, Lebanon MO 65536



### Funeral Service

- Friday**, May 13, 2022
- 2:00 PM CT
- First Christian Church**  
500 S. Madison Ave., Lebanon MO 65536



### Cemetery Details

- Lebanon City Cemetery**  
601 Lynn st, Lebanon MO 65536





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JF

**Jeff Fohn** posted:

Dick was a great friend to our family! Jeff and Carla Fohn Arien and Evan Fohn

May 13 at 1:32 PM

BN

**Bob North** posted:

Dick Clark was the "cool guy" who always had time for young guys trying to find their way in life. He always had a smile and laugh for you. Now that I am the older guy, I appreciate his friendship even more. RIP my dear friend. You are missed Bob North

May 13 at 3:07 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Clark (Lebanon) family.



May 12 at 1:48 AM

AP

**A Foreman Pranger** posted:

Dick, thank you for letting me and my kids be a part of your life in the past. You were a kind loving man. Prayers to the family, Annette

May 11 at 5:04 PM

DM

**Deanna Massey** posted:

Richard, you've always had a special place in my life and my heart. Rest In Peace, Deanna

May 11 at 5:02 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Clark (Lebanon) family.



May 11 at 2:18 PM



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**Anonymous** sent a Pretty Please to the Clark (Lebanon) family.

May 11 at 10:30 AM



**Leah B.** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Clark (Lebanon) family.

May 11 at 6:45 AM



**Pat Bauer** posted:

Dick was a wonderful boss, role model, and friend to me. I was blessed to work at Clark's Men's Wear for eight years, and I saw firsthand what a great person and businessman Dick was. He put the customer first and always, 100% of the time, lived his life with integrity. During quiet times at the store he often talked about his family. He was so proud of each of you and loved you very much. I am extremely grateful for the four decades of friendship I got to share with Dick. He made a huge impact on my life. Sending thoughts and prayers to your family.

May 11 at 4:07 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Clark (Lebanon) family.

May 11 at 2:32 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Clark (Lebanon) family.

May 11 at 1:52 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Clark (Lebanon) family.

May 10 at 6:33 PM





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DC

**Donna Capps** posted:

My deepest sympathy to the family. Dick was a special man and so kind to everyone. I remember his smile. I remember wrapping gifts at Christmas time for Clark's Menswear. He was great to work for. I know you boys have so many great memories. Donna Brown Capps Youngsville, LA

May 10 at 9:39 AM

HH

**Holly Beck Hendrick** posted:

My deepest condolences to you and the family Tony. Your dad was such a fixture and an icon in the Lebanon Community. Prayers for peace and comfort. Holly Beck Hendrick

May 10 at 6:22 AM

JM

**Johnnie&Sue Montgomery** posted:

Dick was a great friend to our family, sure will miss him.

May 10 at 3:22 AM

KB

**Kathy Brockman** posted:

We are so sorry for your loss Kathy and James Brockman

May 9 at 4:36 PM

KR

**Kevin & Anita Reid** posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss..He was a very special neighbor/friend for over 30 years..praying for the family..will be missed a lot RIP Dear Friend

May 9 at 1:14 PM

TS

**Tim Scott** posted:

Dick was the king of mens clothing. I can still remember getting my tuxedo for my prom in 1973. Dick talked me into getting a red and black crushed velvet jacket which believe or not looked great. He was definitely a longtime fixture on the Lebanon business scene. Prayers for the family. Tom Scott, Daytona Beach

May 9 at 9:11 AM



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**Carole Southard Long** posted:

My deepest sympathy at your loss. Dick was a wonderful friend to my late father, Fred Southard. Dad always enjoyed stopping by the store, calling to share latest gossip, or grabbing a cup of coffee with him. Even after losing his vision, and an accident that left him chairbound, Dick would drop by with pie, or some other much appreciate treat. Visits were just too much trouble or too depressing for other 'friends', but never Dick. Our whole community lost a valuable member. Keep him close in your hearts. He was one of a kind!

May 8 at 6:47 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Richard "Dick" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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