



Linwood Graham Clarkston Jr.

February 1, 1944 - September 7, 2020

Linwood Graham Clarkston, Jr. (Buster, Woody, Dee) was born February 1, 1944 to Linwood G. Clarkston & Germaine Porcea Clarkston in Chestertown, Maryland.

Linwood attended school in Kent County, Maryland, graduating from Garnett High School in 1962, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and served at a Strategic Air Command Base at Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota. He served his country through 1968. He worked in North Dakota. Upon receiving his honorable discharge, he went to work for Chrysler Motors in Newark, Delaware. He was a member of U.A.W. Local 1183. He retired August 31, 2001 after 34 years. He then went to work as a security guard in various parts of Maryland and ended that career in June 2011 after serving for six years as security guard for Kent County Sheriff John Price at the Kent County Courthouse. He then fully retired from working.

During his tour of duty, he met Verna Betty Dempsey of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. They married on March 11, 1967. To this union, one son was born, Kevin Lloyd Clarkston. He was a faithful, devoted husband to his wife of 53 years and a wonderful father. He loved dogs and provided safe haven for many over the years

Linwood was a faithful member of Asbury United Methodist Church all of his

life. He served as church organist from 1970 to October 2012. He left this position temporarily. He resumed playing for the church and then fully retired his position as church organist August 15, 2016. He was a member of Asbury's Group of Praise. He was organist/keyboardist for several gospel groups: The Jeremiah Gospel Jubilee and The Asbury Ensemble. He studied music for eight years and played piano, organ as well as keyboard. He was read in as a member of Asbury's Trustees and was instrumental in working on the church's renovation project.

Linwood was Scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 138 for a number of years. Georgetown Road echoes still with his cadence call to the young scouts as he taught them how to march. He was recognized for his many years of outstanding service as a Scoutmaster at a banquet held in his honor at Asbury U.M. Church Hall.

Linwood loved jazz and gospel music. He played piano in a local band, The Roulettes, when he was a teenager. He enjoyed travelling, especially to Canada. Linwood learned to play golf and tennis over the years. He was a member of the Super Kilowatts CB Club. He also held a Green Belt in Isshirhyu Karate.

Linwood was preceded in death by his father, Linwood, Sr., in 1987 and his mother, Germaine Clarkston, in 1999.

Linwood is survived by his son, Kevin; his wife, Verna; two sisters-in-law; two brothers-in-law; along with a host of cousins, relatives and friends.

Lovingly Submitted,
Verna and Kevin Clarkston

Memorial Donations may be made to a charity of your choice, or to Asbury

United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 669, Chestertown, MD 21620. Services are private.

To God Be the Glory!

Tribute Wall

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“ Verna and Kevin - got to know Woody when he was security guard at the Courthouse. Saw him almost daily for several years. He was always courteous and a gentleman. My sister, Brenda, spoke highly of him; and all she said about him was so true:) I am glad I got to meet and know him. You are both in my prayers. Love, Sue Turner

Sue turner - October 03, 2020 at 06:21 PM

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“ This gift of nature is a tribute to the service Buster gave throughout his life. Peace and blessings to Vera and Kevin. Love Annette and Yvonne

Annette Stone Blake - September 13, 2020 at 08:53 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Iris and John Adamson - September 09, 2020 at 01:08 PM

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“ To our dear sister, Verna, and our nephew, Kevin, and extended family, we send our heartfelt condolences, in the passing of Dee, who was like a brother rather than a brother-in-law. We wish we could be there to comfort you as you grieve; please know that we are holding you in our hearts, always. Love, Iris and John Adamson

Iris and John - September 09, 2020 at 01:01 PM

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“ *Trees are the lungs of life. Linwood "Buster" Clarkston will remain in our hearts forever. Sending the family peace , comfort and courage*

Joan/Matthew Bessicks - September 09, 2020 at 10:51 AM