



Edward Michael Cleary Jr.

November 28, 1921 - May 5, 2020

CLEARY - Edward Michael Cleary, Jr., age 98 of Monroe, GA, passed away on Tuesday, May 5, 2020. He was the son of Edward Michael Cleary, Sr., and Lottie Stipes Cleary. A Private Funeral Mass will be held at St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church, Snellville, GA, with Father Cyriac C. Mattathilanickal and Father John Welch serving as Celebrant. Interment will follow at Eternal Hills Memory Gardens, Snellville, GA. Born and raised in Martins Ferry, Ohio, Mr. Cleary worked as a tungsten carbide engineer for over 75 years and did not believe in retirement. Mr. Cleary never knew a stranger and will be remembered for his quick wit, storytelling, and positive outlook. He was a member of St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church, the St. Oliver Men's Club, The Knights of Columbus, and Loganville American Legion Post 233. He was a WWII Army Veteran, earning a Purple Heart Medal, American Theater Ribbon, European African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon and World War II Victory Ribbon. He was preceded in death by his Wife, Jeanne E. (Kidney) Cleary; Sons, Bob Cleary and Mick Cleary; Grandchildren, Nancy Leicht Kuykendall, Aaron Cleary, and Ryan Michael Cleary; and Great Grandson Matthew Kuykendall. Surviving are his Daughter, Peggy Leicht of Monroe, GA; Son, Tom (Janet) Cleary of Norristown, PA; Daughter, Mary Kay (Flynn) Clyburn of Madison, GA; fifteen grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made in Mr. Cleary's honor to St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church Men's Club, 3200 Brooks Drive, Snellville, GA

30078. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 2246 Wisteria Drive, Snellville, GA 30078. 770-979-5010. Please leave online condolences at <http://www.stewartfh.com>.

Cemetery Details

Eternal Hills Memory Gardens

3200 Stone Mountain Highway
Snellville, GA 30039

Tribute Wall



“ *Edward Michael Cleary Jr.*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss, I worked at the Loganville Post Office and Waited on Mr Cleary for years. He was the kindest man ever and reminded me of Dick Van Dyke. After talking about losing his wife And bringing tears to my eyes, I told him to have a good day and He made a comment I will never forget. He said coming in and talking to you Is the best part of my day. I only noticed his name looking up My wife's mother who passed on May 29th. Old Friend RIP, Terry*

Terry Jordan - May 31, 2020 at 01:53 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of getting to know Mr. Cleary at my place of work. Mr. Cleary always came in the office whistling and always spoke to whoever was in the waiting room. He always made me smile and lifted my spirits. I know I will miss his cheerful whistling and stories. Kelly Cyrus*

kelly cyrus - May 14, 2020 at 09:18 PM

CC

“ We first met Red and Jean when Christ Our Hope Parish was starting. He soon felt like our kids third grandfather. He was a wonderful friend to Wayne and I. Our whole family dearly loved him. Our grand kids always enjoyed his company at the St. Oliver Men's Club Fish Frys. He will be missed but we know that he is at home with Jean now.

Wayne and Carolyn Champion

Carolyn Champion - May 09, 2020 at 12:14 PM

BC

“ I am so sorry for your loss of such a kind soul. I attend St. Oliver Plunkett where he was a member and even though I had only talked with Mr. Cleary a handful of times, but greeted by him numerous times I had to let you know how much of an impression he left on me. I remember him talking of his dear wife and saw the love in his eyes as he spoke of her and I am sure many of you were mentioned as well. After hearing his grandsons heartfelt eulogy, I wanted to take up his challenge as well to be another Ed Cleary in the world. I know he is smiling down upon all of you with love!

Beverly Cochran

Beverly Cochran - May 08, 2020 at 12:50 PM

DG

“ I was so saddened to hear of Red's passing and although I'd not seen him in quite some time I definitely remember his laugh, wonderful conversations, sense of humor, and drive to live life to the fullest...so amazing. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time!

Dana (Leicht) Gordon

Dana Gordon - May 08, 2020 at 11:57 AM

JL

“ So many wonderful conversations and laughs with Ed. He always made me smile. He was one of the few men who besides my Dad called me Janie. Always a gentleman and always smiling, he will be missed. May your memories give you comfort, thank you for sharing this wonderful man with us.

jane layng - May 07, 2020 at 03:56 PM

KM

“ It was always a special time for the Martins Ferry Cleary's and Morans when we knew Uncle Mick and Aunt Jean and their gang were coming home for holidays. The celebrations could seem unending for days with grownups around Big Mom's kitchen table and kids finally falling asleep four to a bed or even on the front room floor.

Events always seemed bigger and better when Uncle Mick was involved.

My memories of those times, and my favorite Uncle will be with me always.

Ken & Debbie Mills and family

Ken Cleary Mills - May 07, 2020 at 11:28 AM

FG

“ Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.... Prayers for Edward and condolences to Ed's family. A wonderful person and a great friend. He will be greatly missed. Fr. Michael Grady.



Fr. Michael Grady - May 07, 2020 at 10:47 AM

AW

“ May Ed rest in eternal peace. A wonderful man full of humor and wisdom. One night after a Knights of Columbus meeting we spoke in the courtyard for what seemed like hours. Always had a smile and a laugh. He was certainly part of that famed Greatest Generation. Both our careers were/are in sales and he had many great stories to tell about his sales adventures back in the 50's and 60's. I admired him greatly. Every Sunday he would read the New York Times Sunday Edition cover to cover. May his life be an inspiration to us all. Thank you Ed. God bless you and your family.
Allen A. Wheeler

Allen A. Wheeler - May 07, 2020 at 10:17 AM

AC

“ My Ed Rest In Peace. He was a special friend to all and especially to Leonard Coverdale fellow Knight. So sorry to hear he passed. May he be with his fellow Knights looking after all of us. Ann Coverdale

Ann Coverdale - May 07, 2020 at 01:17 AM

RW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time. What a beautiful legacy he left to all who knew him. We loved his humor, the great stories he told and his love for his family and friends. We always felt good just being around him. So glad we were able to spend time with him at Todd and Chella's celebrating New Years. RIP 🙏❤️😭

Ron and Cathy Whitaker - May 06, 2020 at 09:39 PM

RZ

“*Mr. Cleary was a fixture to me and my daughters at Mass at St Oliver’s. We always seemed to sit near him and his smile and kind words to my daughters during sharing the Peace of Christ left a lasting positive memory on them. They would always respond to me “do you think that kind man will sit by us today?” May he Rest In Peace as we pray for the repose of his soul. May his family be at peace during the huge loss but fear not, he served the Lord during his lifetime. When I notified my twenty something year old daughters of his passing, their immediate response was we will pray for him. The Lord is greeting him saying well done my Son, you fulfilled my request while you lived. We loved him too!!!*



robert zendejas - May 06, 2020 at 08:55 PM