



## Charles "Chuck" E. Clements

August 18, 1945 - April 14, 2023

Charles "Chuck" E. Clements, 77, of Indianapolis and formerly of Monrovia, completed his earthly journey on Friday, April 14, 2023, while in the care of Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis. He was born in Beech Grove on August 18, 1945, to the late Richard William and Edna Pauline (Kempter) Clements.

Raised on a farm in the country life of Morgan County, Chuck and his 7 siblings learned the value of hard work at an early age. When time allowed, the tight-knit Clements kids spent their summers swimming in the old mud hole, cooling themselves off from the summer heat of Indiana. As a boy, he played baseball, once pitching a no hitter. A proud graduate from Monrovia High School with the class of 1963, he went to work for Link-Belt, before being drafted by the United States Army to serve and see action in the Vietnam War. When Private First Class E4 Charles E. Clements was wounded by grenade shrapnel two years into the conflict, he was bestowed the highest of honors, receiving a Purple Heart.

He met the love of his life, Lillian, while out for a night on the town and the two were united in marriage in the summer of '77. The couple spent 27 glorious years together before her passing on March 30, 2004. A hard worker, Chuck devoted more than 30 years as a talented Millwright for General Motors, deservingly retiring in 2008. He was a member of the Lavelle Gossett VFW

Post 908, spending many a night hanging out with his cronies sipping on a Miller Lite.

Chuck enjoyed hosting hog roasts, bowling, vacationing on the sunny beaches of Cocoa Beach, and especially playing poker. Playing volleyball in his brother Mike's backyard in the summers was a must, as well as trips to Dale Hollow with the family, and he was gifted with the talent of finding the biggest morel mushrooms known to man. A truly good soul, Chuck was a real people person, making friends with all who crossed his path. Quite the jokester, he had a sensational sense of humor, loved his family wholeheartedly, and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Along with his parents, Chuck was preceded in death by his wife, Lillian A. (Capps) Clements; siblings, Annamarie Clements, Barbara Cline, and Jerry Clements; and sister-in-law, Patty Clements.

He leaves behind his brothers, John Clements, Larry Clements (Carolyn), Mike Clements (Linda) and James Clements (Kathy), all of Monrovia; his adored furbaby, Blackjack; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, from 3:30pm to 6:45pm at the funeral home, with a Military walk-through beginning promptly at 6:45pm, and a Celebration of Life Funeral Service starting at 7pm, with Travis Noel officiating. A graveside service will be held on Thursday, April 20 at 11am at Holy Cross and Saint Joseph Cemetery, 2446 S Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN 46225 with full Military and Honors. Memorial Contributions may be made in Chuck's memory by mail to Lavelle Gossett VFW Post 908, 3011 S Lockburn St, Indianapolis, IN 46241., and envelopes will be provided at the funeral home. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in his memory, please visit Chuck's tribute page at

[www.lightmemorial.com](http://www.lightmemorial.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross and Saint Joseph Cemetery

2446 S. Meridian St  
Indianapolis, IN 46225

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 19. 3:30 PM - 6:45 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel  
585 East Main Street  
Monrovia, IN 46157  
(317) 996-2101  
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

## Military Walk-Through

APR 19. 6:45 PM (ET)

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## **Celebration of Life Service**

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**APR 19.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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## **Graveside Service with Military Honors**

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**APR 20.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Cross and Saint Joseph Cemetery  
2446 S. Meridian St  
Indianapolis, IN 46225

# Tribute Wall



“ *To the Clements boys, I am so sorry for your loss. Many fond memories of Chuck in our younger days. I share your sadness.* ”

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**Steve Willett** - April 21, 2023 at 09:06 AM



“ *44 files added to the album Life Tributes* ”



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**Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel** - April 18, 2023 at 02:32 PM



“ *Virginia Page Austermiller lit a candle in memory of Charles "Chuck" E. Clements* ”



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**Virginia Page Austermiller** - April 17, 2023 at 07:30 PM

MC

“ I was sad to hear. I remember Charlie as I would call him the reader. I meet him first through Marsh grocery store where I often waited on him. We often would swap books, usually James Patterson, Tom Clancy books. we enjoyed some of the same authors. I later meet him again at post 908 after my husband joined and I started going there too.. Rest in peace. 🇺🇸🌺🙏🕊️

Mary Crider - April 17, 2023 at 04:55 PM

RS

“ Charlie was kind enough to let us rent a house of his. He was the best landlord ever! I never met a kinder man than him. He will truly be missed!!



Rita L Spear - April 17, 2023 at 12:57 PM

BM

Sorry to hear of Chucks passing. He was a classmate and friend at Monrovia High School. He will be missed by many.

Beverly Martin - April 20, 2023 at 09:09 AM