

*Memorial Service To Celebrate the Life and Legacy of*

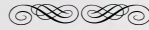
**ELDER  
EDWARD CLARK, JR.**

SUNRISE: JANUARY 13, 1939 | SUNSET: MARCH 16, 2026

SERVICE

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026 | 1:30 P.M.  
MONUMENT OF FAITH CHURCH  
319 HENRY ST. EDEN, NC

# Obituary



Elder Edward Clark, Jr., a highly respected man of God, devoted husband, loving father, cherished uncle, and incredible friend, entered his eternal rest on March 16, 2026. Born on January 13, 1939, in Axton, Virginia, he was the beloved son of the late James Edward Clark and Gladys Terry Clark. His life was a reflection of faith, commitment, and a deep love for both God and family.

Edward received his early education at Carver High School before answering the call to serve his country in the United States Army.

Following his military service, he built a remarkable and enduring career as a commercial truck driver, dedicating 54 years of faithful service to Warren Trucking. His strong work ethic, discipline, and dependability earned him the respect of colleagues and all who knew him.

While his professional accomplishments were notable, Edward's greatest calling was his commitment to God. Affectionately known as "Ed," he gave his life to the Lord and faithfully served as a Deacon and licensed Minister before being installed as Pastor of Glenn Grove United Holy Church in 1984. For 34 years, he led with wisdom, humility, and unwavering dedication. Under his leadership, lives were transformed, faith was strengthened, and the church remained a place of spiritual growth and community. He also served honorably as a District Elder for the Western North Carolina District of the United Holy Church, further extending his influence and leadership throughout the region.

Elder Clark's life stood as a testimony that faith must be lived, not just spoken. He loved the Word of God and found joy in reading his Bible, sharing wisdom, and guiding others in their walk with Christ. His voice, presence, and counsel left a lasting impact on countless lives.

Beyond the pulpit, Edward was a man who deeply loved his family and cherished every moment spent with them. He was united in Holy Matrimony to the love of his life, Frances Lee Wilson Clark, on August 3, 1959. Their 66-year union was a beautiful example of love, partnership, and enduring commitment. Together, they were blessed with four sons, building a legacy rooted in faith and family.

Edward was well known for the joy he brought into every gathering. He was, without question, the family's Grill Master, famous for preparing mouthwatering steaks that brought everyone together. Those cookouts were more than meals—they were moments of laughter, fellowship, and love. He also enjoyed playing golf, where he found both relaxation and friendly competition, and he valued the simple pleasure of time well spent with those he loved. He carried himself with quiet strength, kindness, and authenticity. Whether as a pastor, father, uncle, or friend, Ed made people feel seen, supported, and valued. His presence was steady, his love was genuine, and his legacy is lasting.

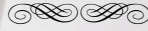
In addition to his parents, Edward was preceded in death by his brother, Earl Hosea Clark; his sisters, Mary W. Clark and Christine Dillard; and his beloved son, Jonathan Clark.

He leaves to cherish his precious memory his devoted wife of 66 years, Frances Clark; his sons, Corelandus Clark of Belmont, NC, Everett Clark (Loretta) of Whitsett, NC, and Jarvis Clark of Eden, NC; his sisters, Doris M. Perkins of Axton, VA, Carnelies Ann Clark of Jamestown, NC, and Delma Marie Clark of Atlanta, GA; and his brother, Norman Sylvester Clark (Sharon) of Aurora, CO. He is also survived by seven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members, and dear friends.

Pastor Edward Clark Jr. will be remembered as a pillar of faith, a dedicated servant of God, a loving family man, and a man whose life reflected integrity, joy, and unwavering devotion. His legacy lives on in the lives he touched, the family he nurtured, and the faith he so faithfully lived each day.

# Order of Service

**PRESIDING: ELDER LEONARD THOMPSON**



**MUSICAL PRELUDE**

**THE PROCESSIONAL**

**MUSICAL SELECTION**

**THE SCRIPTURE**

Old Testament  
New Testament

**PRAYER OF COMFORT**

**MUSICAL SELECTION**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OBITUARY**

**RESOLUTION AND RECOGNITION OF CLERGY**

**CLERGY REFLECTIONS**

**MUSICAL SELECTION**

**FAMILY REFLECTIONS**

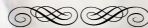
**MUSICAL SELECTION**

**THE EULOGY**

**BENEDICTION**

**THE FUNERAL DIRECTORS IN CHARGE**

**RECESSION**



**INTERMENT**

**Western Sub District Choir**

**Elder Renee Enoch  
Pastor Keith Ellison**

**Bishop James Brooks**

**Bishop Harry Cohen**

**Sister Angela Harriston**

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**Bishop Elijah Williams  
Bishop Greg Hargrave**

**Bishop Roland Cohen**

**Loretta Clark  
Kathy Tanner-Herriot**

**Western Sub District Choir**

**Elder Derrick King**

**Perry and Spencer Funeral Home**

**Hairston's Family Cemetery  
174 Shady Grove Road | Eden, NC**

# *Last Journey*

By: Timothy Coote

There is a train at the station with a seat reserved just for me  
I'm excited about its destination as I've heard it sets you free

I hope that you will be there to wish me on my way  
It's not a journey you can join in it's not your time today  
Many friends I know are waiting who took an earlier train  
To greet and reassure me that nothing has really changed

We'll take the time together to catch up on the past  
To build a new beginning one that will always last

One day you'll take your journey on the train just like me  
And I promise that I'll be there at the station and you will see

That Life is just a journey enriched by those you meet  
No one can take that from you it's always yours to keep'

But now as no seat is vacant you will have to muddle through  
Make sure you fulfill your ambitions as you know I'll be watching you

And if there's an occasion to mention who you knew  
Speak kindly of that person as one day it will be you

## *Casket Bearers*

Grandsons and Nephews

## *Floral Bearers*

Granddaughters and Nieces

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## *Acknowledgements*

The family acknowledges with great appreciation a special Thanks to Ancora Compassionate Care.

We would also like to thank the community, friends, and family  
who have shown us support and love during our time of bereavement.

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