



## Samuel M. Clark

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Arden Hills, Minnesota

It is with deep love that the family of Sam M. Clark shares his passing on October 17, 2025, at the age of 89. Sam passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family.

Born on April 26, 1936, Sam lived a full and meaningful life marked by love, laughter, and hard work. He shared 70 wonderful years with his beloved wife and high school sweetheart, Barbara (Heider) Clark, building a family grounded in love, humor, and faith.

Sam earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota while raising his young family in the 1960s. He devoted over 40 years to a successful career at 3M, where he began in the pilot plant at age 19 and rose to become a Sales Executive. He was also the author of several patents, a testament to his intelligence, creativity, and strong work ethic.

Outside of work, Sam was a man of many passions. A creative soul, he loved photography, travel, and later in life, woodworking. He and Barbara shared a love of travel, splitting time between their Lake Vermilion cabin and their home in Naples, Florida, enjoying every road trip in between.

Sam will be remembered for his quick wit, engaging storytelling, and warm sense of humor. He had a rare gift for making those around him laugh and feel at ease. Above all, he was a devoted husband, a loving father, a proud

grandfather and great-grandfather, and a loyal friend.

Sam is survived by his wife, Barbara Clark; children Jeff (Kathy) Clark, Julie Tilert, Lisa (Jay) Hollenback, and Jon (Jen) Clark; grandchildren Chris (Julie) Wright, Matt (Deneen) Wright, Ryan (Angie) Clark, Joe Hollenback, Katie (Alex) Armbruster, and Adele, Tom, and Sam Clark; seven great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Julia Clark; brother, Richard (Dick) Clark; and daughter, Debra Wright.

A Catholic Mass celebrating Sam's life will be held on Friday, November 7, 2025 at St. John's Catholic Church in New Brighton, Minnesota. Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m., followed by Mass at 11:00 a.m., with a luncheon to follow. Private interment will take place afterward.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Our Lady of Peace Hospice (<https://ourladyofpeacemn.org/>), whose compassionate care brought comfort to Sam and his family in his final days.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
835 2nd Avenue NW  
New Brighton, MN 55112

## Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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New Brighton, MN 55112

# Tribute Wall

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“ One of my favorite memories of Sam's professionalism and expertise occurred when Winnebago Industries was one of his major accounts.

Sam and I took a trip to Forest City, Iowa to review all of the processes and products used at Winnebago to build recreational vehicles. This information was taken back to my Technical Service personnel in the laboratory where a variety of tests and evaluations were conducted to support 3M Products.

We then returned to Winnebago with a presentation on the conversion of allbonding, sealing and coating applications being done with 3M Products.

Sam's presentation was outstanding and the total program was approved. Winnebago immediately initiated the necessary activities to totally convert to 3M Products.

Keeping with 3M's frugal policies, Sam treated me to an ice cream cone at the Bridgeman's store in Owatonna.

Rest in peace Sam.

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**Douglas Laska** - November 06, 2025 at 09:59 AM

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“ June and all the Rileys. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel M. Clark.

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**June and all the Rileys.** - November 05, 2025 at 10:40 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Samuel M. Clark.*



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“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Samuel M. Clark.*



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November 04, 2025 at 09:32 AM



“ *Love, Kathy & Rick Pugh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel M. Clark.*

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**Love, Kathy & Rick Pugh** - October 31, 2025 at 09:37 AM

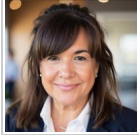


“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Samuel M. Clark.*



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October 31, 2025 at 09:37 AM



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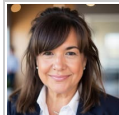
Lisa Hollenback - October 28, 2025 at 12:51 PM



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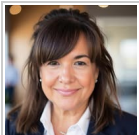


Lisa Hollenback - October 28, 2025 at 12:36 PM



Dad's favorite spot

Lisa Hollenback - October 28, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ Lisa Hollenback lit a candle in memory of Samuel M. Clark



Lisa Hollenback - October 27, 2025 at 04:15 PM