



## Charles Joseph Clinton

April 29, 1942 - September 21, 2022

Charles J. “Chuck” Clinton passed away unexpectedly on September 21, 2022 in Alexandria, VA. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio on April 29, 1942, the first of four children to the late Mary Hennessy Clinton and Charles J. Clinton. His first wife G. Mary Johnson pre-deceased him as did grandchild Joseph V. Bombardier. He is survived by spouse Suphinant “Kathy” Somngam, and daughters MaryAnn (&Tom Bombardier) and Meghan (&Amin Chawki); grandchildren Sarah and Ryan Chawki, step grandchildren Tonya Bombardier (&Kevin Watson), Tom Bombardier II (&Brooke), and two step great-grandchildren. His sister, Connie French, (wife of Jim) predeceased him and he is survived by sisters Caroline (&Jim Farrar) of Cleveland, Ohio and Cathleen of Washington, DC.

Chuck launched the DC Energy Office (DCEO) where he served as director for 29 years under the first four District mayors. After retiring from there, he became a founding officer of the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO). He traveled frequently nationally and internationally and enjoyed spending time with his family and at their home in Weston, Florida. An enthusiastic organizer, he loved to give tours of DC and to arrange family vacations and reunions and create written and photo summary booklets of each such occasion.

Visitation will begin at Holy Trinity Church at 9:00 am, 1315 36thSt. NW,

Washington, DC on Friday, October 7th, prior to the 10:30Funeral Mass at Trinity. (no parking available so transportation services recommended) The service will be live-streamed: click here (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KZWLextqOXU>)

Memorial tributes should be given to the charity of your choice. Please view and sign the online guestbook

# Previous Events

## Gathering

OCT 7. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
1315 36th Street  
Washington, DC 20007

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
1315 36th Street  
Washington, DC 20007

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Joseph Clinton*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *Chuck and I had very memorable times together. In particular we had a wonderful time at Lake Louise travelling from Tacoma to Canada by car. Chuck and I saw less of each other after I retired from my work to devote full time to the Washington State Legislature. I am so glad that I was able to have dinner with Chuck and Kathy a couple of months ago when I attended a meeting in Washington, D.C. It was like old times as we once again kidded each other. Chuck and I were friends since the early 80's. A wonderful and long friendship.*

**Jake Fey** - October 07, 2022 at 10:41 AM



“ *We all are richly blessed by your leadership, friendship, and mentoring. Chuck laid out the vision and allowed his team to blossom. Thank you for being my first Director in public service at the DC Energy Office showing me how to serve the entire DC community. Thank you for encouraging us to work and commune as a family. Your door and ear was always open to listen and offer sage guidance and advice. Thank for sharing your home for gatherings. To the family I pray you are surrounded by much love and support during this time. Peace be with you. Eternal rest grant unto him , O Lord , and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest In Peace. Amen*

*From Sabrina Williams*



**Sabrina Williams** - October 07, 2022 at 07:37 AM

JP

“ *Jeff & Diane Pillon purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.*



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**Jeff & Diane Pillon** - October 06, 2022 at 01:14 PM

FM

“ *Fr. Raymond Guiao, John Morabeto purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.*



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**Fr. Raymond Guiao, John Morabeto** - October 06, 2022 at 01:08 PM

AW

“ *The Citizens of Washington, DC have reaped the many energy benefits of You and Your Staff's hard work through the first four mayors. Our working for and with you in accomplishing the many challenges before us was only possible with your stellar leadership. Your longevity of service in this industry is groundbreaking, and such an outstanding career is truly inspirational. Well done you. Our heartfelt condolences,  
Mr. and Mrs. Anton Wood*

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**Anton Wood** - October 06, 2022 at 12:52 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



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October 06, 2022 at 11:07 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



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October 06, 2022 at 10:06 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



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October 05, 2022 at 10:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



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October 05, 2022 at 08:02 PM

CW

“ TO; Kathy, Mary Ann, Megham, and the entire Charles Clinton Family

FROM; Carl Williams and family

SUBJECT: IN MEMORY OF Charles Clinton

*I had the pleasure of working with Chuck for 27 years at the District of Columbia Energy Office. Chuck would always end his correspondences in email or letter before his signature with the words, All the Best. I think this symbolizes how it was to work for and with Chuck. It appeared to me that Chuck was a tenacious worker and expected his employees to do the same. That is why we became the best Energy Office in the country as a result of his leadership and staff.*

*Thanks to Chuck leadership, my family, the energy office employees , District residents, and the public and private sectors benefitted in many ways by the services provided by the agency.*

*Thanks Chuck, “ALL THE BEST”, Rest in Peace!*

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**Carl Williams** - October 05, 2022 at 07:47 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



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October 05, 2022 at 12:14 PM



“ With our love, Bill and Judy Jeffress purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



With our love, Bill and Judy Jeffress - October 05, 2022 at 09:32 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



October 04, 2022 at 03:50 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



October 04, 2022 at 12:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



October 03, 2022 at 09:25 AM

CC

“ *It was lucky for me to spend a perfect weekend luncheon outing and walk on the boardwalk of Washington, DC's Wharf just days before his unexpected death. It was one of our best shared moments ever. Rest In Peace, my brother.*

*Cathleen Clinton*



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**Cathleen Clinton** - October 02, 2022 at 03:12 PM

JP

“ *Chuck and Kathy visited with us many times over the years in South Florida. He was a wonderful man with a deep sense of our family history. Kathy and Chuck are two of the most positive people we know. He passing is such a shock. He was always on the move and never seemed to stop to even take a breath. It is hard to think of Chuck not here and planning for the future. We shared many good meals. Chuck is now at peace in the arms of God. Kathy Joanne and I reach our arms around you. May Chuck Rest In Peace .*

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**James K Pedley** - October 01, 2022 at 03:44 PM

DA

“ While I only knew Chuck through his professional work at NASEO and the DC Energy Office, you seemed to know all about him beyond that anyhow; his kindness, his love for family, love for travel and most of all that he was always going to be your friend. Chuck rooted for you, wanted to help with your life aspirations and most of all just cared that everything was going well in your life outside of work. It was always my experience that Chuck did not "put on airs". Chuck was sharp as a tack and never forgot anything. I marveled at his ability to recount history. I will truly miss him, but I think he would be proud to know that he taught me a lot, without ever "teaching me". I will value my memories and attempt to carry forward his spirit into all of my forthcoming professional endeavors.  
Dave Althoff - Energy Director, State of Pennsylvania

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David A Althoff - October 01, 2022 at 03:32 PM

GN

I met Chuck in the early 1980's and quickly realized that he was truly a leader in the Energy Resources world. He shared his expertise with energy managers throughout the Metropolitan Washington area. His professionalism, love of family, contribution to energy resources management and contingency Planning can not be measured! Rest In Peace until we all meet again!

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George L Nichols - October 02, 2022 at 09:34 AM

BP

“ I've always remembered Chuck as a kind and thoughtful gentleman, caring for others and supporting those in need. He will be missed. May he Rest In Peace. Bill Plato

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Bill Plato - October 01, 2022 at 07:11 AM

ER

“ Chuck Clinton is my uncle through marriage relationship. I will forever remember and cherish his unmatched generosity whenever we would visit the capitol DC. What a wonderful host and tour guide!! I learned American history through Chuck’s generously organized DC tours and his talented ways of telling specific stories, that were uniques for every block corner of DC.

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**Egide Ruzindana** - October 01, 2022 at 06:37 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Joseph Clinton.



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September 30, 2022 at 11:07 PM

TB

“ I will always remember Chuck’s kindness and generosity, especially when Penny and I visited DC. Also, many happy memories in seminary together.

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**TOM BACKMAN** - September 30, 2022 at 09:52 PM

CC

Thanks, Tom. I've never seen this photo before of our family.  
Cathleen Clinton

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**cathleen clinton** - October 02, 2022 at 03:25 PM

TB

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



**TOM BACKMAN** - September 30, 2022 at 09:33 PM

KA

“ Dear Chuck.

*When i chatted with you and you were at Harrods cafe Hamad airport i never expected that that would be one of the last times.*

*You took time to send me some information for Jonathan and we were discussing how to help him. I am still waiting for the follow up.*

*They say people come and goes in your life. Some just touches your memory some stays in your heart forever.*

*You will Always stay in our hearts.*

*My mom and dad are also in heaven, i know you will like them alot. Say hi to them.*

*We will meet again*

*Kim and Jonathan*

*Hua hin Thailand*



**Kim Anderson** - September 30, 2022 at 07:54 PM

BW

“ We'll miss Chuck. He was the King of Warren Street, and a true friend. Bob and Anita Wellen

**Bob and Anita Wellen** - September 30, 2022 at 07:07 PM

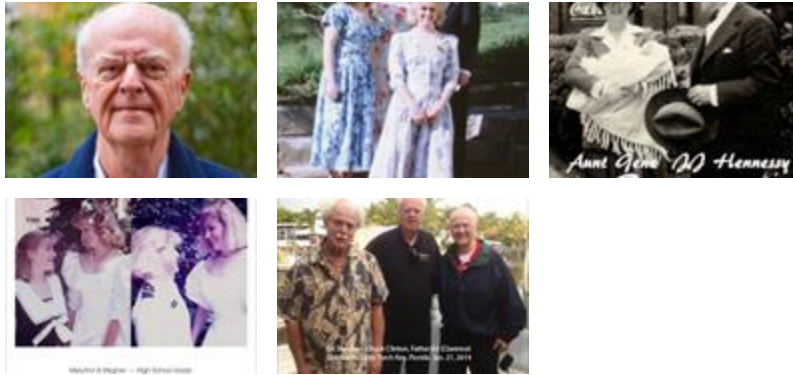
DB

“A man of infinite jest”, Chuck was what the Jeggies call, “A man for others”. He was a true friend of many with an irrepressible sense of humor and a devilish twinkle in his eyes. We will miss you, Chuck.

Dan Burns - September 30, 2022 at 10:50 AM

ME

“ 151 files added to the album Memories Album



Meghan - September 29, 2022 at 07:10 PM

CE

“ I’ve been a Neighbor Of Chuck’s since he moved into his second Home here in Weston. I would always connect with him whenever he was here. He was a very Special Person and Friend and I will fondly remember the Memories and Talks we always shared together. 💕💕

Christine Ertelt - September 29, 2022 at 04:58 PM

LA

Chuck has always been in my heart as it was both he and Mary that were with me on the house boat in Minnesota when my husband passed away. Chuck and Mary were my Lifesavers. They are always in my thoughts and prayers.

Lamirande...Joan - September 30, 2022 at 05:48 PM



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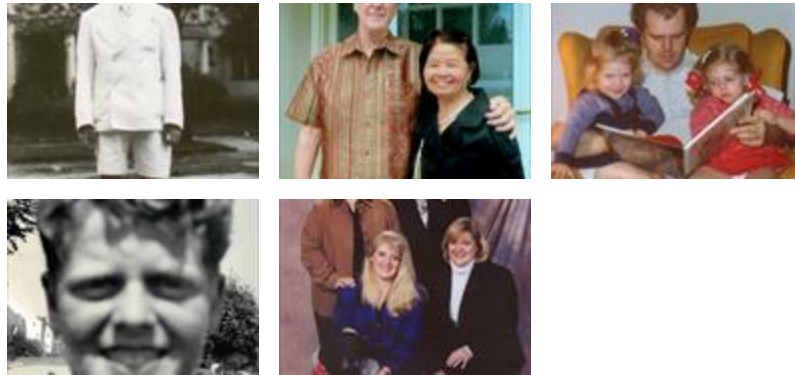


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September 29, 2022 at 04:19 PM



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Jefferson Funeral Chapel - September 29, 2022 at 01:19 PM

VS

*I worked for and with Meghan for 17 years. I respected her as a boss and love her as a friend. It's through her and at Sarah's and Ryan's games I met Chuck and Kathy. Have you ever met anyone who you couldn't say anything negative about? Well that was Chuck Clinton. Every time I saw and talked to Chuck it was always pleasant, cheerful and very interesting. He always made me feel like I was one of his closest friends. I never forget it when I was a contestant on The Wheel of Fortune, he asked to do a story about me so he could put it into his family newsletter. Wow, did that make me feel good, and that's the way he was, always lifting someone else up. Then there was the time he surprised me with a team sweatshirt for Sarah's high school basketball team. Yes, that was Chuck always thinking about some else. I truly thank God that had the pleasure and honor of knowing a person of his extreme kindness, thoughtfulness and generosity. He will truly be missed. A grateful friend, Veronica Sanford.*

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Veronica Sanford - October 02, 2022 at 04:48 PM