



Richard Ura Clark

December 24, 1928 - February 20, 2025

Richard Ura Clark, age 96 of Newnan, GA passed away on February 20, 2025.

He was preceded in death by his ex-wife, Cynthia Anne Clark and his great-grandson Lucas Michael Washer.

Richard was born in Memphis, TN on December 24, 1928, to his parents, Ura Richard Clark and Mary Margaret Moore. He attended Memphis State University and enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served on the USS Saufley DD Class Destroyer based in Key West, FL.

After Richard transitioned back to civilian life, he and "Anne" relocated to Cincinnati, OH after Richard accepted a position at the General Electric Aircraft Engine facility near Cincinnati, OH. Richard (who was given the nickname "Tennessee" by his coworkers) worked as an Emissions Technician Specialist for 35 years until his retirement.

Richard had a passion for aviation and flew his Cessna 140 for many years. He belonged to the Lunken Airport Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association and for a time served as the association's Treasurer.

Richard loved doing machine work in his basement workshop and enjoyed

listening to classical music while he worked. Richard was known as a highly intelligent man, enjoyed working with technology, and was an avid reader. Richard had a lifelong love of learning. He enrolled in college to learn French and travelled to France after he retired from General Electric.

Richard was an animal lover, from his parakeet Tweetybird to the many ferrets he cared for over the years. He developed an interest in microbiology and DNA later in life and used his knowledge to volunteer at an exotic animal clinic, where he assisted veterinarians with collecting and analyzing DNA samples.

Richard is survived by two children: daughter Patricia (Darrell) Hempel, and son Todd (Kathleen) Clark; three grandchildren: LeeAnne (Joey) Gifford, Lindsay Hickey (Tony Lopez), and Greg (Robin Brucker) Hickey II; and seven great grandchildren: Riley, Justice, Austin, Landon, Libby, Leo, and Louie.

In lieu of services, there will be a private family celebration of Richard's life. In lieu of flowers, please feel free to donate to "Tunnels to Towers" since Richard was in the service.

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