



Mr. O. Perry Clay

September 2, 1938 - October 2, 2018

On October 2, 2018, O. Perry Clay, 80, of Cranberry Township and of North Beach, NJ passed away. Beloved and devoted husband of 53 years to Joanne Clay and loving father, mentor and tireless supporter of family and friends.

Also survived by son, Michael P. (Robin) Clay of Wexford; daughter, Susan M. Clay of Mount Laurel, NJ; granddaughters, Nicole Clay & Megan, Meredith, Madison & Maison;

Born on September 2, 1938 in Cleveland Ohio his early years were spent in San Antonio Texas. He was a graduate of Southern Methodist University.

Previously employed by Westinghouse Electric Corp. for 23 years and Sharp Electronics Corp for 17 years where he retired as President.

He will be lovingly remembered for his compassion, humor, outstanding character and love for life.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to:

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society donate.lls.org or
Alzheimer's Association act.alz.org/donate (in support of his wife)

Arrangements were private and entrusted to Simons Funeral Home, Inc. www.simonsfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

RP

“Perry and I came to Sharp at almost the same time. We had a lot of great memories and a lot of long nights at the end of the month Sharp Madness. When we retired to Myrtle Beach and Perry and JoAnn moved to North Carolina we spent many times at our homes. I am going to miss our long telephone talks about old times. As you go through life you meet some very special people and Perry and JoAnn were certainly that. Mike and Susan tell your MOM that we are thinking about her.

Ron & Jan Poole - October 23, 2018 at 10:38 AM

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“I am very saddened by the passing of Perry Clay. May he rest in peace. My sympathies to the family. I worked with Perry as a Sharp dealer in the 1980's and 1990's. He was, far and away, the most professional executive I knew in our industry. I have many fond memories of Perry. I remember a meeting at Sharp headquarters sometime in the middle 80's. As a young arrogant buyer, I got angry and decided to walk out of this high level meeting. Rather than allowing it to 'blow up' further, Perry took me aside and counseled me in a most professional and kind way, leading to a resumption of the meeting, and the strengthening of a long fruitful business relationship. I hadn't seen him in more than 20 years, and wish that I had told him how much he meant to me.

Lee Schoenfeld

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MC

Thank you very much for your comments Lee. It was very touching to hear such kind words about my father and know how others truly felt about him. He was a unique person and left an impression with many people in more ways than I ever knew.

Michael Clay - October 15, 2018 at 07:51 AM

SH

“ I met and had the pleasure of working with Mr. and Mrs. Clay when they moved into Sherwood Oaks. Mr. Clay's sharp wit and easy smile always made our conversations interesting. He will be missed by all of us at Sherwood Oaks.

Sue Hoffman - October 12, 2018 at 01:37 PM

MC

Thank you Sue. You and your group do a wonderful job.

Michael Clay - October 15, 2018 at 07:53 AM



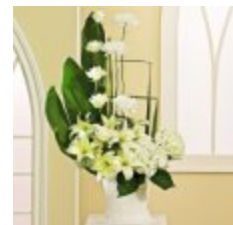
“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mr. O. Perry Clay.



October 12, 2018 at 11:54 AM



“ Eternal Grace was purchased for the family of Mr. O. Perry Clay.



October 12, 2018 at 08:54 AM

RP

“ I worked under Mr. Clay for 17 years at Sharp Electronics, Perry was one of the kindest and most understanding gentlemen I ever had the pleasure to work for and made a lasting impression on me for the rest of my days.

May God bless you Mr. Clay, My condolences to the family.

Robert Pleyer

Robert Pleyer - October 11, 2018 at 03:35 PM

MC

We appreciate you kind words Robert. Perry really enjoyed his time at Sharp and the relationships formed over the years. Thank you.

Michael Clay - October 15, 2018 at 08:01 AM

DC

“ I knew Perry through business when I was a buyer at Circuit City. What a wonderful gentlemen and kind soul he was. When I look back, I marvel at how Perry managed and dealt with all the personalities in our buying organization. He did it with thoughtful consideration, calmness and a pleasant demeanor that made all happy to see and talk with him.

I am glad I had a chance to meet and get to know Perry a little. He did not know it, but he served as an example of how to conduct oneself in life. Again - what a kind soul he was.

My condolences to the family.

David Cecil

David Cecil - October 11, 2018 at 02:25 PM

MC

Thank you for the kind comments David. My father was a true gentleman and truly enjoyed his work in the CE industry.

Michael Clay - October 15, 2018 at 07:44 AM

PC

“ We shall always miss our dear friend, Perry. We have such fond memories of him and his wife Joanne when they lived in St. James, NC where we met them. He was very popular around the marina where he was referred to as “the mayor”. When they moved back to LBI permanently, we felt such a loss. Our deepest sympathy to Susan and Michael for the loss of their father. He was such a special man with an amazing sense of humor and we will truly miss him.

Pam and Chris Christianson

Pamela Christianson - October 09, 2018 at 05:02 PM

JE

“ I knew Perry through my parents, Vic and Libby Michaels. I was grateful they had such a good friend. I send my most warm condolences.

Jan Edwards



jen edwards - October 06, 2018 at 07:11 PM