



Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr

April 16, 1936 - June 13, 2019

It is with heavy hearts that the Mitchell Family announces the passing of its patriarch, Roy Clayton Mitchell, Jr., on June 13, 2019, after a short battle with cancer. He was born on April 16, 1936, to Roy Clayton Mitchell, Sr. and Mildred (née Rhodes) Mitchell.

Mr. Mitchell was married to Marie Mathilde “Teel” Mitchell for 59 years until her death in 2017. He was the loving father of Clayton Anderson Mitchell, Sr. and his wife Lori Ames Mitchell, John Christopher Mitchell and his fiancée Amy Hopley, and Michael Rhodes Mitchell and his wife Janet Colvin Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell had six grandchildren – Clayton Anderson “Andy” Mitchell, Jr. (married to Alyssa Andreoli Mitchell); Ryan Frederick Mitchell; Fleetwood Dylan Mitchell and Nicole Mathilde Mitchell; and Ian Mitchell and Ann Marie Mitchell. He also had two great-grandchildren – Camden Hudson Mitchell and Harper Olivia Mitchell.

Mr. Mitchell graduated from Chestertown High School in 1955 and attended Goldey Beacom College. He served in the U.S. Army. He and his father were real estate developers and farmers in Kent County. Mr. Mitchell had a lengthy career of public service. He served on the Kent County Democratic Central Committee from 1962 through 1966. He was elected to the Kent County Commissioners where he served as the commission’s President from 1966 to 1970, a time where he also served a term as Chairman of the Maryland

Association of Counties. He was subsequently elected to the House of Delegates representing Caroline, Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's and Talbot Counties from 1971 until 1993.

During his tenure with the House of Delegates he held many prominent positions including Chairman of the Kent County Delegation; Chairman of the Eastern Shore Delegation; Member of the Joint Budget and Audit Committee; Member of the Rules and Executive Nominations Committee; Chairman of the Appropriations Committee; Subcommittees on Education and Human Resources, and Health and the Environment; Vice-Chairman of the Spending Affordability Committee; and Co-Chairman of the Legislative Policy Committee.

Mr. Mitchell served as the Maryland Speaker of the House from January 1987 through December 1993.

After his retirement from politics, Mr. Mitchell continued to be a gentleman farmer, was the Director of Public Affairs for the Baltimore Gas & Electric Company, as well as an independent lobbyist for Constellation Energy. He was a director the Second National Bank of Maryland, Chairman of the Save Our Skipjacks Task Force, a Member of the Maryland Commission for Celebration 2000, as well as a Member of the Board of Visitors and Governors of Washington College in Chestertown.

In 2008, the R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr. Kent County Government Center was dedicated to him. In 2018, the Kent Narrows Bridge was dedicated to Speaker Mitchell.

The viewing will be from 1 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. at the Fellows Family Funeral Home, 370 Cypress Avenue in Millington, MD, on Thursday, June 20, 2019. Funeral services will be held on Friday, June 21, 2019, beginning at the Fellows Family Funeral Home at 11 a.m. with internment subsequently held at

the Shrewsbury Church in Kennedyville, MD.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that a memorial donation be made in Mr. Mitchell's name to Compass Regional Hospice, 160 Coursevall Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Cemetery Details

Shrewsbury Cemetery

Kennedyville, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 20. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fellows Family Funeral Home
370 West Cypress Street
Millington, MD 21651
(410) 928-5311
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Visitation

JUN 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JUN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 19, 2019 at 03:44 PM



“ *Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Please accept our sincere and deepest sympathy at your tremendous loss. Thinking of you all at this sad time. Zoa Ann and Ken Beasley*

Zoa Ann Beasley - July 02, 2019 at 06:11 PM

PM

“ Pam Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Pam Mitchell - June 23, 2019 at 03:28 PM

PM

Poppop Mitchell was a wonderful father. grandfather, and father in law. He was always there when we needed him, I will always love and miss him.

Pam Potts Mitchell - July 08, 2019 at 07:52 PM

BA

“ Brenda Ames lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Brenda Ames - June 22, 2019 at 03:26 PM

KK

“ Kevin & Ella Kerr lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Kevin & Ella Kerr - June 21, 2019 at 10:54 AM

CA

“ Cheryl Anderson lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Cheryl Anderson - June 21, 2019 at 08:41 AM

TJ

“ Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell - June 20, 2019 at 06:38 PM

DA

“ Heartfelt condolences to the Mitchell family. Mr. Clayton will be surely missed in his beloved Kent County by all that had the pleasure of knowing him. He was a very special man and a great friend to our family for many years. He always had a smile and was always willing to help his friends. He will be missed but thought of often with fond memories.

The Alexander family - Shirley, Debbie, Jim, and Sam

Debbie Alexander - June 20, 2019 at 12:01 PM

PF

“ *Ralph Waldo Emerson said that "it is not the length of life, but the depth of life" that matters.*

Clay's life as a husband and father, an active member of his community, a loyal friend to so many of those with whom he came in contact, the person his neighbors chose to represent them in county and state government and the person his colleagues chose to be their leader bespeaks a life of great depth.

He will be missed, but we are all the better for the time we shared with him.



Phil Foster - June 20, 2019 at 03:12 AM

DB

“ *Debra Blanchfield lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Debra Blanchfield - June 19, 2019 at 11:48 PM

GW

“ *Gene And Gloria Wiest lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Gene and Gloria Wiest - June 19, 2019 at 03:26 PM

GW

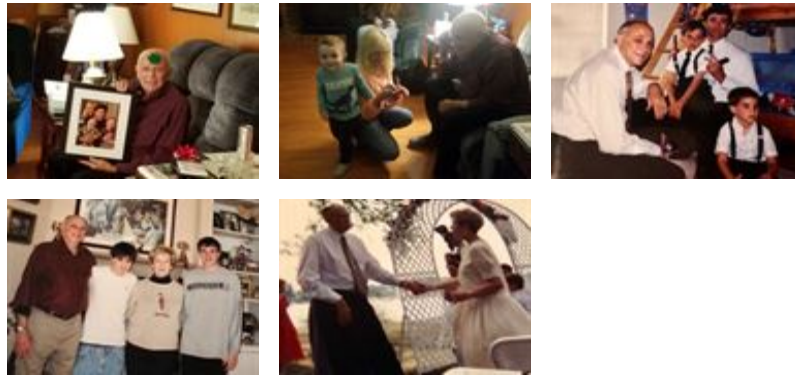
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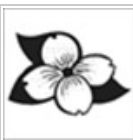
Gene and Gloria Wiest - June 19, 2019 at 03:13 PM



“ 8 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 19, 2019 at 01:17 PM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 19, 2019 at 11:03 AM

BT

“ BGE Governmental & External Affairs Team purchased the *With Distinction* for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.



BGE Governmental & External Affairs Team - June 19, 2019 at 10:28 AM

K(

“ Kathy Raiford (W-T) purchased the *Strength & So lace Spray* for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.



Kathy Raiford (W-T) - June 19, 2019 at 10:25 AM

JM

“ Jim and Debbie Martini purchased the *Serene Reflections Bouquet* for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.



Jim and Debbie Martini - June 19, 2019 at 10:10 AM

SD

“ Stacy, Kirsten & Gay Duke purchased the *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.



Stacy, Kirsten & Gay Duke - June 19, 2019 at 07:41 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.*



June 18, 2019 at 08:13 PM



“ *While at BG&E/Constellation Energy, I had the pleasure of interfacing with Clay on Maryland legislation regarding environmental issues. I always appreciated the feeling of mutual respect from such an accomplished professional whether our views on issues were in full alignment or not. He could sternly express his viewpoint while not demeaning others. I always found him to be a man of high integrity focused on what's right for Maryland. I'll also never forget his manners of a gentleman. While not now a common practice at business meetings, he would stand as a lady entered the room. This was of course a sign of respect and high regard; not as any superiority. In fact, he was very down-to-earth and welcoming. God's blessings and comfort to his family.*

Ed Davis - June 18, 2019 at 10:05 AM



“ *Barbara Voshell lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Barbara Voshell - June 17, 2019 at 01:21 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.



June 17, 2019 at 01:19 PM



“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Doug Pierson - June 17, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ *Deepest regret and sympathy from Chestertown High School Class of 1955 classmates.and families.*

Maryn Ellen Larrimore - June 17, 2019 at 10:37 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.



June 17, 2019 at 10:18 AM

DB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Mitchell family, May you find peace during this difficult time.*

diane bree - June 17, 2019 at 09:58 AM

TC

“ *The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.*



The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company - June 17, 2019 at 09:22 AM

JL

“ *John M Larrimore lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



John M Larrimore - June 17, 2019 at 06:42 AM

GP

“ *Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - June 16, 2019 at 06:58 PM

LP

What a great man that has left the community. He loved his family, County, State of Maryland and friends. He was a man of great stature and was well respected by many. Our prayers and blessings to the family at this time. He is now with his lovely wife Teal. God Bless, Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville.

Lynda Palmatary - June 18, 2019 at 08:23 AM

PP

“ *Paula Cunningham Pavon lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Paula Cunningham Pavon - June 16, 2019 at 02:29 PM

AG

“ *Condolences to All of Mr. Mitchell's Family. You have a lot of fine memories to be proud of.*

Arthur Godfrey - June 16, 2019 at 08:31 AM

BJ

“ *BJ lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



BJ - June 16, 2019 at 06:30 AM

JN

“ *Joyce M Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Joyce M Nicholson - June 16, 2019 at 01:36 AM

KD

“ *Kathy And Nick Deoudes lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



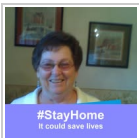
Kathy and Nick Deoudes - June 15, 2019 at 06:37 PM

TS

“ *Tracy Schulz lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Tracy Schulz - June 15, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ *Jean Payne lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Jean Payne - June 15, 2019 at 09:07 AM

MM

“ *Maryland Massey lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Maryland Massey - June 15, 2019 at 08:37 AM

DE

“ *Donna Hubbard Edwards lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Donna Hubbard Edwards - June 15, 2019 at 07:42 AM

CE

“ *Charles & Donna Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Charles & Donna Edwards - June 15, 2019 at 07:42 AM

EP

“ *Elmer Lola Price lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Elmer Lola Price - June 15, 2019 at 07:10 AM

DE

“ *Denise Ewing lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Denise Ewing - June 14, 2019 at 06:38 PM

JH

“ *Jeff & Donna Hollett lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Jeff & Donna Hollett - June 14, 2019 at 06:30 PM

JH

“ *Jeff & Donna Hollett lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Jeff & Donna Hollett - June 14, 2019 at 06:28 PM

JP

“ *John And Phyllis Perkins lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



John and Phyllis Perkins - June 14, 2019 at 03:38 PM

FL

“ We are very sorry for your loss.



Frankie and Cathy Legg - June 14, 2019 at 03:29 PM

DI

“ DAVID INGRAM lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



DAVID INGRAM - June 14, 2019 at 03:14 PM

RK

“ Robin And Marshall Klinefelter lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Robin and Marshall Klinefelter - June 14, 2019 at 03:13 PM

RM

“ Robin Merchant sent a virtual gift in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr



Robin Merchant - June 14, 2019 at 02:32 PM

RO

“ *RJ Kristi Osborn lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



RJ Kristi Osborn - June 14, 2019 at 02:17 PM

TM

“ *Tommy & Pam Marvel lit a candle in memory of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr*



Tommy & Pam Marvel - June 14, 2019 at 01:31 PM

YF

“ *Your First State Family Practice Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Roy Clayton Mitchell Jr.*



Your First State Family Practice Family - June 14, 2019 at 09:30 AM