



## Philip J. Clemens

February 7, 1934 - August 15, 2023

Clemens, Philip J., August 15, 2023 age 89 of Plymouth. Beloved Husband of the late Olga. Loving Father and Poppy of Cynthia Marie Clemens, Robbie (Nancy) Clemens, Renée Clemens, Karen (Garrett) Kelly, Kirk (Martha) Clemens and the late Philip John Clemens, Jr. Proud Poppy of Bobby (Drew), Kristi (Thomas), Garrett (Kathryn), Cameron (Stacey), Jessica, Charles (Stephanie), and Rachel (Thomas) and Great Poppy of Lucy I, Lucy II, Andrew, and Robert. Dear companion of Reggie Anderson. Memorial Visitation Sunday, August 20th 11 AM – 1:30 PM. The Memorial Service will begin at 1:30 PM at the Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Private Interment of Cremains at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this webpage.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 W. Ten Mile Road  
Southfield, MI 48033

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

AUG 20. 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Philip J. Clemens*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philip J. Clemens.*



August 19, 2023 at 02:11 PM



“ *Phil and I met in our freshman year of high school at Mackenzie and quickly became friends. We were on the football team and also ran track together. Phil kicked the longest field goal when we were on the team together. We reconnected at high school reunions and saw each other last September at the Mackenzie luncheon. It sure was fun to reminisce about those high school days. Funny how life goes. My daughter and Reggie's daughter are good friends. I could not believe when my daughter told me that Phil and Reggie were companions after all these years. I was so happy they found each other! Phil was a good man and he will be missed.*

*Jim Frost Class of 1952*

Kathleen Frame - August 18, 2023 at 11:09 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Philip J. Clemens.



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August 18, 2023 at 01:34 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Philip J. Clemens.



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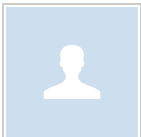
August 17, 2023 at 02:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Philip J. Clemens.

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August 17, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philip J. Clemens.



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August 17, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philip J. Clemens.*



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August 17, 2023 at 09:49 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Philip J. Clemens.*



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August 16, 2023 at 05:15 PM



“ *Susanne C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Philip J. Clemens.*

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**Susanne C.** - August 16, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Sue Dugan/ Jackie, George & Shelby Bohrer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Philip J. Clemens.*

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**Sue Dugan/ Jackie, George & Shelby Bohrer** - August 16, 2023 at 11:42 AM

SB

“ Sue Dugan/ Jackie, George & Shelby Bohrer purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Philip J. Clemens.



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**Sue Dugan/ Jackie, George & Shelby Bohrer** - August 16, 2023  
at 11:42 AM



“ Last year, May of 2022, Poppy and Reggie welcomed me to their beautiful condo on the beach in Longboat Key, Florida with my dear friend Martha, and it was a glorious 9 days! I had met them both previously at Kristi's wedding in Walloon Lake but really got to know them in Florida and loved hearing about their past and all that they had to say. I love to cook so prepared them several meals and they were so appreciative and thanked me and it made my heart warm to do that for them. He was so kind and generous and treated us to several dinners out as well. We took he and Reggie to the aquarium which they loved and wheeled them both in wheelchairs since it would have been a lot of walking. Reggie and I were Garden City girls so we hit it off immediately. They treated me like family and I left there feeling so happy and thankful but was also sad and truly missed them when we returned to Michigan. We invited them over for a BBQ over the holiday when they returned from Florida but he wasn't feeling well so Martha and I ran plates of food over to them at their home in Plymouth. They were both so appreciative and they hugged me and I am sorry that that would be the last time that I saw them. You will be missed Poppy by all who knew you. May you rest in Peace. Love, Karen

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**Karen Lawson Rocheleau** - August 16, 2023 at 11:19 AM

KR

“ Karen and Mark Rocheleau purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Philip J. Clemens.



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**Karen and Mark Rocheleau** - August 16, 2023 at 10:27 AM

DG

“ My husband Russell and I will dearly miss Phil. He was a loving, generous man. We loved our trip to Denver together and are so blessed to have had that time to meet his family and share ours with him. We send our love to his family and friends. We loved him and his passing leaves a hole in our hearts.  
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**Debra Graham** - August 16, 2023 at 12:17 AM

“ I spent part of last year asking my mom, Reggie Anderson, questions about her life and recording her answers. One question was how she met Phil. This was her answer:

*I can't remember when I first met Phil. But he would walk me to my classes and visit me at my locker. He would put his hand on my neck in an affectionate way but a teacher and Paul (another guy who had a crush on mom) told him to knock it off. Phil was in the same grade at school, but I can't remember if we were in the same classes or not, I took college prep classes. Phil was in all the sports. I remember he was always a good-looking kid, and he was on all the teams so I thought that was very cool. I didn't go to the Friday night dances very many times, because I was nervous I didn't know how the kids danced or knew the dances they would do.*

*When I met Phil again in Florida, it was because we had been talking on the phone for quite a long time before we actually saw each other. Phil's wife, Olga had passed away about 3 years before we saw each other, and Daddy had been gone for about 7 years. Olga was Phil's sister-in-law. When his brother passed away, Phil married Olga and became a stepdad to his nieces and nephews. Phil was up in the Sarasota area, in Florida 2020, and Covid had already started and he came down to Englewood because I was with Lisa and Robin. After visiting at Lisa's for a while (a handful of days, rides, going out...) we went away for the weekend and Robin was upset because she couldn't get in touch with us. I came back home with Robin to Garden City in May, and Phil had to come home because of his health. It was very nerve-racking flying home in the midst of Covid. Phil and I started spending time together as soon as I came home. When I arrived at his house- because he said-"bring your clothes and just stay", - he about had a heart attack when he saw how many clothes I brought. I am very happy with Phil. He had a very happy relationship before, and his step-kids love him, and that is so important to me. I love Phil. He is very kind and loving to me. I try to pitch in on whatever we spend money on. I feel better knowing I've contributed. We get along really well. We are happy.*

*Please see next memory, for Phil's words.  
Lovingly, and with such sadness, Debbie Graham*

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**Debra Graham** - August 16, 2023 at 12:07 AM