



Richard J. "Dick" Clements, of Ayer

April 11, 1943 - June 10, 2026

AYER - Richard J. "Dick" Clements, 83, passed away Wednesday morning, June 10, 2026, at Lowell General Hospital in Lowell, Massachusetts.

Dick was born in Leominster on April 11, 1943, a son of the late John and Ida (Zickell) Clements. He grew up in Leominster and graduated from Leominster High School with the Class of 1959 before attending Saxon Trade School.

Shortly after graduating from trade school, Dick began his career at Standard Tool and Die. He later fulfilled his dream of owning his own business, operating Ayer Sports and Screening Center from 1978 until his retirement in 1999. Following his retirement, Dick worked as a prisoner matron for Ayer Police department and the Shirley Police departments. Soon returning to the workforce as a bus driver for Dee Bus Service in Shirley. Spending a number of years driving in Harvard, a position he greatly enjoyed.

Dick enjoyed traveling by motorcycle seeing a great deal including, Alaska, Newfoundland, Labrador and New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Canada meeting forever friends. He enjoyed working on cars, building & making old new. His 2014 premier edition Corvette was his final true passion.

He was also a member of the Ayer gun and sportsman club.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Elaine (Roy) Clements of Ayer; his three daughters, Julie Ireland of Fitchburg, Jill Ford and her husband, Robert, of Leominster, and Alison Bobola and her husband, Derek, of Nashua, New Hampshire; his son, Philip Strout and his fiancée, Elise, of West Boylston; his cousins, Fran Cook and his wife, Connie, of Greenville NH, and Robin Michaud of Center Harbor NH, 14 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Dick was predeceased by his grandson, Colin Ireland; his son, John "Jack" Clements; and his cousin, Russell "Chip" Cook.

Calling hours will be held at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, Ayer, on Monday, June 15, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Burial will be held privately at St. Bernard Cemetery in Fitchburg.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lowell General Hospital Cancer Center, 295 Varnum Avenue, Lowell, MA 01854 or Neady Cats Corporation, 215 Worcester Rd, Sterling, MA 01564.

Cemetery Details

St. Bernard's Cemetery

Fitchburg, MA 01420

Upcoming Events

Calling Hours

JUN **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A
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