



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

CLARENCE DRAKE

NOVEMBER 4, 1935 — JUNE 23, 2026

Tuesday, July 7, 2026 | 11:00 AM
HARRIS FUNERAL DIRECTORS
9722 E 16th Avenue, Aurora, CO 80010



DRAKE



Clarence Drake, affectionately known to family, friends, and everyone who loved him as "Drake," was born on November 4, 1935, in Blythedale, Pennsylvania. On June 23, 2026, Clarence answered God's call and peacefully completed his earthly journey.

Clarence was a proud man of strength, character, and integrity. For many years, he called Aurora, Colorado, home, where he built a life centered around family, hard work, service, and helping others. He was the kind of man you could count on - dependable, loyal, and always willing to lend a hand. His presence spoke volumes, and the way he carried himself showed the importance of respect, kindness, and doing what was right.

Clarence dedicated much of his life to serving others. He proudly served in the military and later continued his commitment to his country and community through 48 years of government service with the United States Postal Service. He was honored for his service during the 50th Anniversary Commemoration of the Vietnam War, a recognition that reflected the dedication and sacrifice he carried throughout his life. After retiring from government service, Clarence wasn't done working — he continued serving others for 19 years with Frontier Airlines before officially retiring at the age of 79.

Beyond his career, Clarence was a man who knew how to enjoy life. He was an active member of TREA and participated in golf tournaments, always finding time to enjoy the things that brought him happiness. He loved golf, softball, bowling, and a good card game with friends and family. His love for sports started when he was young, playing football and baseball during his high school years, and those memories stayed with him throughout his life.

To know Clarence was to know a man who loved his family deeply. His children, grandchildren, relatives, and friends meant everything to him. He was a devoted father who worked hard to provide, guide, and support his family. He was known for his wisdom, his stories, his sense of humor, and the way he always made people feel welcome. The lessons he taught and the love he shared will continue to live on through generations.

Clarence leaves to cherish his memory his beloved children: Clarice, Eleanora "Pumpkin", Austin (Skye), De'Anna (David), William, Beverly, Rodney, and Nina; his loving sister Janice; along with his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family members, and many friends who were blessed to know and love him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack Drake and Mabel Drake; his siblings Elmer "Charlie Brown," Otis, Jack, Alma Jean, Fayley, and Beverly; and his children Joseph, Alicia, Dantae and Irene.

Clarence Drake lived a life of purpose, service, and love. He was a man who stood tall, worked hard, loved deeply, and left an impact on everyone fortunate enough to cross his path. His memories, his laughter, and his legacy will continue to live on in the hearts of his family and all who knew him.

Though he has gained his heavenly wings, the love he gave and the lives he touched will never be forgotten.

ORDER OF SERVICE

CELEBRATING HIS LIFE AND LEGACY

Processional

Scripture

Psalm 23 & 24; Proverbs 3:5-6

Prayer of Comfort

Elder Bryan Hester

Musical Selection

“Don't Cry”

Arianna Drake

Acknowledgments & Obituary Reading

Harris Funeral Directors

Remembering Clarence

2 minutes please

Musical Selection

“Stand By Me”

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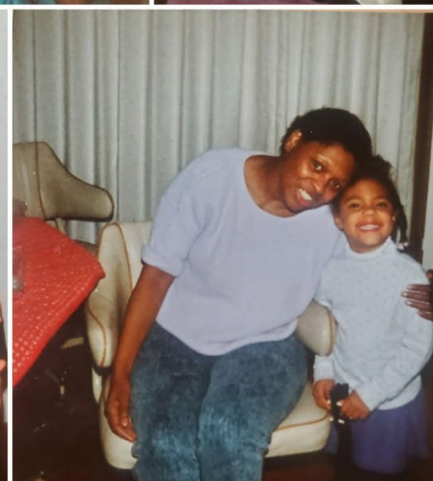
Eulogy

Elder Bryan Hester

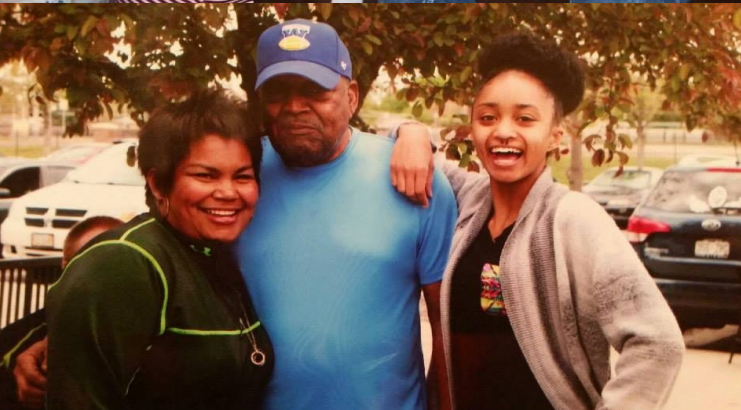
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Recessional











Probable Starters

TIGERS

No	Name	Ht	Wt	Pos	No	Name	Ht	Wt
83	Ed Barksdale	6-2	180	E	86	Don Coleman	6	220
75	Ed Turner	6-2	190	T	75	Jim Crawford	6	210
60	Louis Williams	6	190	G	65	Dick Cearley	6	190
50	Lloyd Moore	5-8	180	C	63	Charles Brackett	6-2	215
43	Vern Roy	5-8	196	G	46	Floyd Johnson	6	200
74	James Main	6-2	215	T	70	Jerry Dressel	6	195
85	John Mingo	6	190	E	80	Ralph Kovresky	5-10	160
11	Ronny Knapp	5-9	170	QB	82	Henry Shaw	6-2	175
40	Clarence Drake	5-9	175	HB	27	Sam Sardina	5-4	155
42	Frank Anderson	5-11	180	HB	25	Warren Hillery	5-10	160
31	Andrew Kanas	5-11	185	FB	31	Walter Johnson	5-11	200

PIONEERS

B. Drawdy
Head Coach

M. Hagg
Back Coach

J. Horne
Back Coach

W. Martin
Line Coach

V. Ray
G - No. 63

L. LeFlore
FB - No. 33

A. Kanas
FB - No. 31

D. Combs
QB - No. 12

L. Williams
G - No. 60

P. Battle
QB - No. 10

J. Main
T - No. 74

★Sembach (1962) Tigers★

R. Berger
G - No. 61

P. Jones
HB - No. 23

C. Holmes
E - No. 82

J. Fleming
E - No. 84

H. Ruff
E - No. 41

J. Mingo
E - No. 85

J. Maschio
HB - No. 41

B. Owens
G - No. 62

O. Klopac
G - No. 64

E. Turner
T - No. 75

J. Mile
HB - No. 22

R. Solowski
G - No. 66

T. Gunston
E - No. 80

L. Marburg
T - No. 73

T. Bryant
C - No. 51

L. Moers
C - No. 32

W. Jiles
T - No. 72

D. Epps
G - No. 68

J. Austin
E - No. 84

L. McFadden
T - No. 70

S. Bodnar
T - No. 71

R. Barfield
T - No. 84

D. Myers
FB - No. 24

R. Knapp
QB - No. 11

F. Anderson
HB - No. 42

E. Barksdale
E - No. 83

H. Phelps
E - No. 81

W. Berry
G - No. 65

A. Carter
HB - No. 21

C. Drake
HB - No. 40

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E. Berger HB - No. 61	P. Jones HB - No. 23	C. Holmes E - No. 82	J. Fleming E - No. 84	H. Ruff E - No. 41	J. Mingo E - No. 85	J. Mashio HB - No. 41	B. Owens G - No. 62	G. Klapac G - No. 64	E. Turner T - No. 75
J. Mile HB - No. 22	R. Sokolowski G - No. 66	T. Gaston E - No. 80	L. Marburg T - No. 73	T. Bryant C - No. 51	L. Moore C - No. 32	W. Jiles T - No. 72	D. Epps G - No. 60	J. Austin E - No. 84	L. McFadden T - No. 70
S. Bodner T - No. 71	R. Barfield T - No. 84	D. Myers FB - No. 24	R. Knapp QB - No. 11	F. Anderson HB - No. 42	E. Burkdale E - No. 83	H. Phelps E - No. 81	W. Berry G - No. 65	A. Carter HB - No. 21	C. Drake HB - No. 40



