

The Remarkable Life of John Elwood “Bud” Clark

1931 - 2022

Bud Clark was a family man. He was a successful businessman, turning the Goose Hollow Inn into an icon. He was a United States Marine. For most of his 90 years, he was an unabashed lover of Oregon and of Portland. For family, friends, associates, and residents alike, he was a role model.

Bud is remembered as Portland’s Citizen Mayor, passionate, good hearted, flamboyant, dedicated to the future of the west coast’s undiscovered major city. The interest he generated when elected in 1985 brought international attention. He deftly used his celebrity to spotlight the Rose City. His intuitive intelligence, understanding of local and world history, and passion are recognized as underpinning his many successes, though he was always quick to deflect acknowledgement to the contributions of others.

It can be said that Bud didn’t care about the right words, or the right clothes, or politics, or personal recognition. His care was saved for his family, his city, and his region. He worked hard to do the right thing by all of them, using his own deep sense of decency and natural charisma to guide his actions.

Daily, Bud’s joy in his family, and in living life fully were on display. The joy is evident in images from his life, poling a canoe on the Willamette; rafting Oregon’s wild rivers; biking around town, later in life with his grandchildren in tow; and proudly wearing the city’s signature rose in his lapel.

Bud’s was a life well-lived. His contributions to his community set a high standard, of service and volunteerism, loyalty, honesty, humility, and courage. His legacy calls us to live up to one of Bud’s favorite quotes by C.E.S. Wood, “Good citizens are the riches of a city”.

CELEBRATE *Bud Clark*



Sunday
May 15th, 2022
Pioneer Courthouse Square





Musical Performances

Mel's B-3 Organ Group

Portland Youth Philharmonic
"Fanfare for the Common Man"

Thomas Lauderdale & Kathleen Saadat
"Can't Take That Away from Me"

MarchFourth! Marching Band
"Call to Action"

Speakers and Presentations

Emcee Ken Boddie - News Anchor, KOIN TV

Mike Lindberg

Mike Houck

Barbara Stafford

Margaret Strachan

Thomas Lauderdale & Kathleen Saadat

Rachel Clark

Kerry Tymchuk

Special Presentations

Enjoy ice cream courtesy of Salt & Straw



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