



## Lawrence Charles Kleyla

September 23, 1952 - November 24, 2021

The Kleyla Family is sad to announce the Death of our very dear Brother, Lawrence Charles Kleyla. Larry peacefully crossed over into Eternal Life at 10:28PM, November 24, 2021, of complications stemming from Amyloidosis.

With his passing we mourn the loss of the Major Hero of our Family. He was 69 years old.

Larry was born on September 23, 1952 at Doctor's Hospital in Miami, Florida, and came into the world with Cerebral Palsy. As a Baby, he was put into a full body cast. As he grew, Larry had to endure painful exercises throughout his childhood and for many years he had to wear heavy, full-leg braces to straighten and strengthen his legs. These therapies were extremely helpful as they eventually enabled Larry to run as fast as anyone of us. It is profoundly humbling for us to ponder it is likely that Larry had never felt a day without some form of Physical Pain his entire Life! Despite all this, Larry's smile, laughter, great spirit, passion for learning and competitiveness only served to endear him more and more to his family, friends and schoolmates.

He graduated Sunset Elementary, South Miami Junior High, and went on to graduate Miami Killian Senior High School in 1971. As proof of his dedication and determination in all things, Larry was given an Award for Perfect Attendance all through his 12 years of Schooling! Larry had a fine singing voice and while in High School was a valued member of the Epiphany Church "Folk Group", singing at Masses for 5 years. Later on, he developed a keen interest and talent for Bowling and was a member of a League for many years. Larry loved to travel and was very fond of the many journeys he took on Cruise Ships with sister Barbara, and her husband, Dennis.

Starting in High School, Larry worked a short time at Burdine's Department Store in Miami, and then went on to complete an astounding 40 year, full-time career with Winn-Dixie Supermarkets in South Miami and Saint Augustine, before he finally retired. How many could have hoped to accomplish this goal, let alone with a Disability?

Sadly, in recent years, Larry had been suffering through Dialysis Treatments 3 days a

week and was also battling with Cancer and Heart problems. Throughout all these trials, Larry marched on with undaunted courage and a seemingly indomitable spirit, taking one day at a time and serving as a real inspiration for all. This Happy Hero of the Kleyla Family, started his life as a Miracle Baby, then a Miracle Boy and has been everybody's favorite "Miracle Man".

Larry is predeceased by our Mother, Mary Catherine, 1980; Brother, John Michael, 1993; Niece, Emily Christine, 1995; Father, Paul Archer, 1995, and Sister, Patricia Elaine, 2018. We are now eight surviving siblings; Kitty, Peggy, Chris, Jeff, Bill, Barbara, Jim and Tom. He is also survived by fourteen Nieces and Nephews.

The Kleyla Family is extremely proud of our loving and greatly loved Brother, Larry. He has been, is now and ALWAYS will be, our TRUE HERO!

Requiem eternam dona eis Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Requiescat in Pace, dear Brother, Larry.

# Comments

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“ I will never forget his happy attitude, smile and radiant smiling eyes. I see it in the photo just as I did almost 50 years ago!! He was a true hero indeed. My deepest sympathies to all the Kleyla family.

**Catherine Hayes Janis** - January 08 at 11:47 AM