



## Clark Edwin Creed

March 5, 1921 - September 7, 2012

Clark Edwin Creed of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, formerly of New Britain, Wethersfield and Farmington, CT, husband of Diane Watkins Creed, died September 7, 2012. Ed was born March 5, 1921, in Ashland, Boone County, MO, to Opal and Clark Creed. His family struggled in the Great Depression, losing the family farm, moving to Fulton, MO, Elston, IA, and finally Columbia, MO, where Ed graduated from Hickman High School in 1939. Ed did his undergraduate studies at the University of Missouri where he was a starter on the Tigers football team, playing in the Orange Bowl in 1940. He received his master's degree from Purdue in 1945. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during WWII. In 1945 Ed married Grace Carolyn Hirst and moved to New Britain, CT, to assume the position of head football coach at The Teachers College. Ed was later appointed to the first Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State Colleges.

In 1953, with little mechanical ability and almost no financial backing, Ed bought a small machine shop, Monarch Machine, housed in a chicken coop in Berlin, CT. Today Creed Monarch is a thriving New Britain, CT, manufacturer with 250 employees. In the 1970s Ed expanded Monarch into the cattle business with the purchase of 1, 087 acres in Belle Rive, IL. In 1976 he purchased the former Ankony Angus farm in Rhinebeck, NY. With Ed's direction Creed Ankony Farm became one of North America's premier Simmental cattle breeders. Ed enjoyed nothing more than a rousing cattle auction and he held several of them at the farm in Rhinebeck. Ed's three sons,

Don, David and Richard, continue the manufacturing and farming legacy. Ed always found time for golf, competing in many CT State events. He earned a spot in the U.S. Senior Amateur at Cherry Hills in 1976 and the U.S. Senior Open at Winged Foot in 1977. He was a four-time champion at the Mid Ocean Club Invitational in Bermuda.

Ed was a proud alumnus of the University of Missouri and a member of the Jefferson Club. He was the 2012 recipient of the Frederick B. Mumford Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his support of the University of Missouri Animal Sciences division. The Creed Barn at the University is home to research in nutrition, reproduction, physiology and genetics.

In addition to his wife, Ed is survived by his three sons and their spouses, 6 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren and his brother Dan. Ed was predeceased by his first wife, Grace Hirst Creed, his second wife, Patricia DeWees Creed, his sister Kathleen and brother Harold.

Ed will be fondly remembered for his passion for a good round-table discussion and his wry sense of humor.

Burial was at the convenience of the family. A celebration of Ed's life will be held Friday, September 21, 2012 at noon at The Country Club of Farmington, 806 Farmington Avenue, Farmington, CT. In lieu of flowers donations in Ed's memory may be sent to: Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation JDRF, 20 Batterson Park Rd, Farmington, CT 06032, or The University of Missouri College of Agriculture, Office of Development, 109 Reynolds Alumni Center, Columbia, MO 65211. The Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "Add Condolences" at the bottom of this page.

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ Over 50 years ago, Ed, Dick siderowf, John Suisman and I were driving thru a heavy rainfall up to Mass. to play in the Wachusetts 3-day best ball tournament. The rubber strip on the driver's side wind-shield wiper flew off and disappeared. The visibility was severely compromised and the screeching noise of the metal blade against the wind-shield was hard to take. Ed solved the problem by wrapping a handkerchief around the metal blade and we had a comfortable ride the rest of the way.

*Sam Blumenthal*

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**Samuel Blumenthal** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *Morning guys,*

*Sorry to learn about your father's passing. He is one of the people that seems to have been around all my life. First I caddied for him as a kid. Then played golf with him as a young adult. Then listened and enjoyed his commentary and philosophy when I was old enough to sit around the big table in the grill room at WCC.*

*Always a gentleman, always gracious and a constant kidder to those around him. Seemed to relish taking on the younger guys. It might have been Breed's mink inserts, Brew's finishing school demeanor or Wise's young muscrats attitude that brought him laughter and pleasure. But there were also appropriate comments with Al Argosy, Uncle Milty and Edmunds and Dakin.*

*It was a pleasure to have known him and learned from him. We will all miss him.*

*Tom Benoit*

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**Tom Benoit** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Ed will always remain in my thoughts, for thanks to him, I have a wonderful job. Thank you Ed! You were a great man and will be greatly missed.*

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**Kasia Hordejuk** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ *Rich, Dave and Don,  
So sorry to hear of the passing of your dad....have so many fond memories of him as we grew up together in Wethersfield...Ed was a very good man!!*

*Rich and Charlene Anthony*

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**Rich and Charlene Anthony** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *To Diane and the Creed Family,  
Our deepest sympathy on the loss of Ed. Alisa and I have lost a very kind, witty, smart and great friend.  
We will miss him a great deal. The neighborhood will not be the same without him.*

*Diane, our thoughts are with you.*

*Our love,  
Joe and Alisa Nudelman*

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**Joe and Alisa Nudelman** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ *We really enjoyed the many years that we knew Ed in Palm Beach Gardens. He will be missed. Connie and Tommy Kee*

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**Connie and Tommy Kee** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Such a GOOD man . He accomplished so much with his life . We only knew Ed in the latter years of his life and we will miss him . Dee & Dave Wehr*

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**Dee & Dave Wehr** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ We will miss Ed much. He was a wonderful friend. We really enjoyed our visits and discussions with him. As we say at the University of Missouri, he was a "True Tiger" and a great friend of MU and our College. Hit em long and straight up there Ed. Cheers, Tom and Alice :

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**Tom & Alice Payne** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM