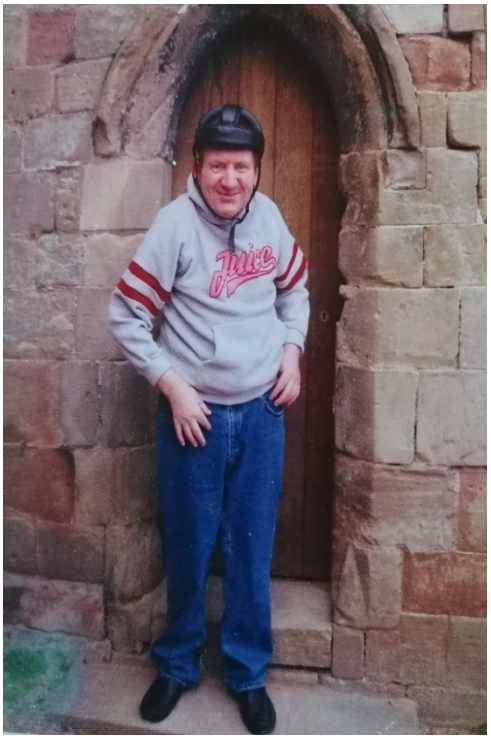
# Clive



‘Clive always walked with pride and we, his parents always walked tall with pride beside him. Our hearts will be forever broken and we will spend our lives missing our beautiful, kind, gentle loving son Clive. He was the best of all of us and we are forever proud to say Clive was our son’ (Michael and Pauline, Clive’s parents).




When you read about Clive in his Adult Safeguarding Review you will find out about his experience of sexual abuse and all the ways that the professionals with the responsibility to protect him failed to do so. Those memories, spanning more than 30 years, and our fight to expose the truth of what happened to him and possibly others, will be forever in our memories. But if you read the SAR alone you will know very little of Clive, the son, the brother, the uncle-the wonderful man who was lost in a system of care that eventually cost him his life. You can read more about Clive in his Independent Review (hyperlink to report) or meet him through his slide show (hyperlink to slide show).

Clive was my funny, artistic, sporty and brave brother. He is our family's central heartbeat, and he remains so to this day.  Clive always lived with pride, courage, strength, ambition and sheer determination. Clive’s hopes for the future were ones that he repeated often to us and to anyone else who would listen. He wanted to have his own home, a ground floor flat or bungalow near his family, a cat, a garden, to go on holiday to Blackpool, to go on holiday to Breen in Somerset where he had spent so many of his childhood holidays, to be able to do photography, art, and gardening and to work in a garden centre helping to grow plants.  Not so very much to ask, but ambitions that became ever more distant with every step of his journey through services. The horrific abuse he experienced changed the course of his life.

But our Clive was the master of positivity and it has been in this spirit, ‘Clive’s Way’ as we have come to call it,  that we have moved forward to challenge what happened to him and play a part in improving life for other Clive’s. What none of us anticipated was how the sharing of his story would

capture the hearts and minds of so many people and galvanise a movement for change. Here are just a few examples of reactions from the professionals:

'*Listening to Clive's story shared by his family always motivates me to influence local system change. I've tried to embed opportunities like this to stop, listen, and reflect as a system on person stories, we can change the future'.*

***Participants feedback***

*''This work has left us not only with quantifiable actions, made populations visible and given system ownership of the service issues faced in this critical area - but has created an advocacy for change and a social movement to improve the lives for whom we absolutely need to, and can, make a difference."*

***Pardip Hundal, Assistant Director for Quality Improvement and Health Inequalities, NHS England***

*It should not take the death of a patient to precipitate this kind of collaboration, but I feel (and I hope Elaine feels also) that in Clive's death there has been a real opportunity to shape the way that epilepsy in people with LD&A is being delivered and improve choice and quality which has been long overdue.'*

**Ann-Marie Holder, Deputy Director of NHSE Midlands.**

So, when you read this Safeguarding Adult Review please think of the man at the centre of this report, a very much loved son and brother, who was not seen or heard by those who should have kept him safe and a family who did all they could but were not listened to or respected. Then commit to taking action and changing the future for others.

**Elaine Clarke ( Clive's sister)**