

Michael Clarke Jr., born March 19th, 1979 to parents Elizabeth and Michael Clarke, whose roots trace back to County Louth, Ireland, always had an entrepreneurial spirit. The oldest of four, he paved the way for his brothers and sister (Jason, Matthew, and Lorin), in their hometown of Park Slope, Brooklyn. Growing up in the close-knit Irish community of Park Slope, Brooklyn, family values and hard-work were of the utmost importance. In a household with four children, Michael's father worked two jobs to make ends meet, while his mother sacrificed her time to raise well-behaved, respectful children. These values were instilled in Michael from a young age and helped to shape him into the man he would become.

Michael, following in his father's footsteps, became a union operating engineer in local 94 and after working there for 5 years, he embarked on another journey outside of the union, at Turner Construction Company, where he for excelled for 12 years. After Turner, Michael accepted a position at Structure Tone as a Senior Project Manager, and then further developing his career he was hired by Reidy Construction Group as a Project Executive. Always seeking to challenge himself, Michael also took on the role of part owner of a bar/restaurant in Park Slope, a member of the Hudson River Yacht Club, as boating and fishing are just some of his passions, and he was an active member of the Knights of Columbus, where he held the position of President for two years. All of these different vocations, allowed Michael the knowledge and expertise to forge a path ahead and create his own company.

Currently, Michael owns, and is the president of, JC Elite, a booming up-and-coming construction company. Michael is extremely detail-oriented, and willing to go the extra mile for his clients, with no job too big or too small for his company to handle. He is committed to finding solutions and client satisfaction; Hiring his company is like becoming a part of the family.

Throughout his life, Michael Clarke Jr. has had many great accomplishments, but none as great as the marriage to the love of his life, his high school sweetheart, Connie Dumain. They met and started dating at age 16, were married 10 years later and now have two beautiful children; James Ryan (6) and Caitlyn Rose (5). Behind every great man is a greater woman, and it is its her love and support that Michael is able to be so successful.

Though Michael is extremely dedicated to his career, he is able to balance his job and home life, cherishing the time spent with his family. During the summer at his home in Long Beach, Long Island, you can find Michael in his pool with his children, or boating in the bay.

Whether Michael is planning a family getaway, or reviewing plans for his next construction project, Michael always has others' best interests at heart and is passionate about whatever he puts his mind to.