



**Hubert L. "Anatoo" Clement, Sr.
Cajun Humorist and Musician**

Hubert Clement was born in Evangeline, Louisiana in 1929. He was the son of the late Laurent Clement and Ada Bertrand Clement and the grandson of the Jules Clement upon whose land the first producing oil well in Louisiana was discovered. He was also the grandson of the Alcede Bertrand, both of his families are of Cajun descent.

Anatoo's interest in music began at an early age in grade school when he began playing the French harmonica. He continued his interest in music, and in 1960, he developed his comedy act. His performances involve many areas of entertainment including comedy, music, Louisiana History talks, and anti-drug messages. He especially liked to use a mixture of all of these when he performed for the younger children, and his anti-drug performance was for teens.

Anatoo's Cajun dialect form of comedy included jokes and humorous anecdotes and satires. His musical presentations involved known French and English songs, and also many of his own original selections that he had written through the years and for which he held the copyrights. Anatoo's presentation on the history of the true discovery of oil in Louisiana was very unique and informative. He related the little-known details of the event as it actually happened in 1901 on his grandfather's land in Evangeline, Louisiana, in Acadia Parish.

In the early sixties Anatoo became a regular member of the cast of the "Happy Fats' Marinee" show on KLFY-TY in Lafayette, Louisiana with his daughter, the late Grace Clement. In 1965, Anatoo and Grace recorded the "oldest known Cajun song" entitled "Papillon." In 1965, the father-daughter team performed at the International Rice Festival in Crowley, Louisiana. Anatoo worked with the Jeff Davis Parish Tourist commission and appeared at major festivals across Louisiana and at the Governor's

Cajun Breakfast in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was in constant demand to perform at fund-raising events, schools, churches, nursing homes, private parties, and social gatherings. His touring experiences included visits to the Smoky Mountains, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, and San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Clement passed away at his residence in Evangeline on Tuesday, May 31, 2016. He was survived by his loving wife of 14 years, Esther Mae Bourque Boone Clement.

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