

Funeral service, calling hours set for Trooper Nick Clark, Alfred University alumnus killed in line of duty
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Calling hours for New York State Trooper Nicholas Clark, 29, who died Monday morning while answering a call for a “suicidal suspect,” will be 1-6 p.m. Saturday, July 7, in Galanis Family Arena, McLane Center, on the Alfred University campus.

The funeral service for Clark will be at 11 a.m. Sunday, July 8, also in McLane Center on the Alfred University campus.

Clark, called “one of the finest athletes to wear the (Alfred University purple and gold,” was among the police officers responding to the town of Irwin home of Steven Kiley, 43, who has been identified as a Bradford (NY) Central School principal. Kiley’s estranged wife called police, saying Kiley was “suicidal” and believed to be armed.

As police responded, Kiley opened fire, fatally wounding Clark.

“Nick died a hero, serving and protecting the people of New York State,” said Alfred University President Mark Zupan in an email to the University community and alumni. “Governor Andrew Cuomo, at a press conference Monday afternoon, called him an ‘exemplary’ police officer. All who knew Nick as an outstanding athlete, student, and community member understood that he would never be anything but exemplary in his chosen career.

“We are honored that Nick’s family—his mother, Theresa Gunn ’96, ’98 MBA, a professor of accounting in our College of Business; his father, Anthony Clark; and his brother, Nathan Clark—and the New York State Police Benevolent Association chose Alfred University as the site for Nick’s funeral service. Please join me by keeping Nick’s family in your thoughts and prayers as they and we deal with his tragic loss and find appropriate ways to best recognize his exceptional character, accomplishments, contributions to our community, and memory,” Zupan added.