



Clara K. McClanahan

May 16, 1920 - September 15, 2016

Clara K. McClanahan, 96, of Cape Girardeau died Thursday, Sept. 15, 2016, at the Lutheran Home in Cape Girardeau.

She was born Sunday, May 16, 1920, in the small town of Loretta, Tennessee, to Edd and Laura (Brown) Littrell. Her family moved to a cotton farm in the Bootheel of Missouri, when she was a young girl.

Clara went to school and helped take care of her brothers and sisters. She attended school until the ninth grade and then had to help her mother at home. She later got her GED in the 1950s and attended nursing school shortly after.

Clara met the love of her life, Roy L. McClanahan, and they were married in Pemiscot County in 1936. He preceded her in death on Oct. 21, 1991.

Clara worked at Rust & Martin, where she made beautiful upholstery for 25 years. She could create beautiful curtains, chairs and bedding. During World War II, she made uniforms for the soldiers. She was also a nurse's assistant and a volunteer at Saint Francis Medical Center.

Throughout Clara's life she always loved the Lord. Her faith was always very important. She was a lifelong member of First General Baptist Church. She was a loving, sweet and family-oriented woman. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Survivors include her son, Jerry (Barbara) McClanahan of Cape Girardeau; grandsons, Scott (Susan) McClanahan and their children, Ross and Lexie of Cape Girardeau, and Collin (Lisa) McClanahan and their children, TroyLee

and Lauren of Gordonville; brothers, Alton Littrell of San Antonio, Texas, and Dale (Regina) Littrell of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral service will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at Ford and Sons Mount Auburn Funeral Home with the Rev. Tom Sullenger officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the funeral on Saturday.

Burial will follow at Old Morley Cemetery in Morley, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be given to Grace United Methodist Church.

Cemetery Details

Old Morley Cemetery

Morley, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home
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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I have the best memories of visiting Aunt Clara, and of she and Roy visiting Loretto. It was always in my childhood a favorite vacation to come to Missouri. I remember our last visit was before Roy passed away. We came through there after visiting Chris in the service. I wondered if I could remember how to find their house. I went right to it.

She was a great example of Christ. Sending much love to the all the family, I wish I could have been there but we were out of town.

Jerry, I'm so sorry sending much love and comfort your way. May God comfort, strengthen, and fill you with HIm great Love.

Kay

Kay Dotson - September 22, 2016 at 06:06 AM

KS

“ Im so sorry for your families loss, Such a sweet lady. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Blessings

Kaci Jo, and Colter Sparkman

kaci Sparkman - September 16, 2016 at 06:09 PM

RW

“ Many happy memories of camping on the ditch bank, 4 H and playing basketball.

My thoughts and prayers are with you in your sorrow.

Ray Wheeler

Ray Wheeler - September 16, 2016 at 10:24 AM