



Clara Louise Humphries Byrd

May 30, 1929 - November 29, 2020

Clara Louise Humphries Byrd, 91, Johnson City, passed away Sunday, November 29, 2020 at Life Care Center of Gray.

Clara was a native of Johnson City and a daughter of the late Ambrose Minton "A.M." and Evelyn Tipton Coffey. Those that loved her and knew her well called her "Boots". Clara worked in the shoe department at Nettie Lee for over 30 years. She was a former longtime member of Telford United Methodist Church and was currently a member of Heritage Baptist Church. Clara was an avid reader and enjoyed crossword puzzles. She loved cats and had many through the years.

In addition to her parents Clara is preceded in death by her first husband, Claude Parker Humphries and second husband, Earl Byrd, Jr., brother, Lawrence Coffey, sister, Margaret Ellis Smith and son-in-law, Norman Scott.

Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Claudia Scott; sons, Randy Humphries and wife Cathy, Steve Humphries and wife Kat; 8 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; 2 great great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

The graveside funeral service for Clara will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 2, 2020, in Telford United Methodist Church Cemetery, 1775 Old State Route 34, Telford, TN 37690, with Pastor Michael Gray, officiating. Those who plan to attend are asked to meet at the cemetery by 1:50 p.m.

Those who wish to pay their respects to Clara may drop in for an informal viewing from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at Appalachian Funeral Home.

Due to the current COVID-19 regulations, our staff is committed to taking care of our guests and families that we serve. Please understand we will be following the State's COVID guidelines. We also ask all guests and family members attending visitations and services to please bring and wear a mask.

The family would like to thank Life Care Center of Gray and Clara's caregiver of 3 years, Patricia Love, for taking such wonderful care of her during this time.

In-lieu-of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at <http://www.stjude.org> or by mail to 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Cemetery

Telford United Methodist Church Cemetery

1775 Old Stout Route 34
Telford, TN, 37690

Events

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Appalachian Funeral Home - December 02, 2020 at 09:32 AM



“ Steve, I didn't know your mother but we know you and she must have been a great Mother because she raised a very caring person who loved people and his God.

Betty Seaton Williams - December 02, 2020 at 05:53 PM



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Appalachian Funeral Home - December 02, 2020 at 09:29 AM



“ Steve, I am so sorry for the loss of your Mother. Even though I never knew your mother, the whole time I was in grammar school you sure always treated me so well. Just like the big brother I never had. I will remember you for the rest of my life.
Jerry Collier

Jerry Collier - December 02, 2020 at 02:10 AM



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Appalachian Funeral Home - December 01, 2020 at 04:48 PM



“ I will miss my sweet Aunt Clara. I received a birthday card from Clara every year growing up and many years beyond childhood. Every time I'd travel to Johnson City, I would go see her. She'd always ask if I was hungry as soon as I walked in the door and I'd ask her to cook me some Southern food. Over the years she made me biscuits, gravy, Southern style green beans, eggs, toast, and bacon... When my dad was overseas in the Air Force in Germany, me, Mom (Margaret Coffey) and my brother, Reed lived with Mammaw on Johnson Avenue. I'd walk down to Clara's house and play with my cousin, Steve. Clara made me fried bologna sandwiches. I remember standing by her watching her make them on her stove. I thought Clara was the best aunt because she loved me and in true Southern style, always made sure I was fed.

I remember when my brother Reed and his wife, Christine went to Tennessee. I took Mom and we met up with them in Johnson City. Reed had a nice convertible and wanted to put the top down and drive Mom and Clara up to Roan Mountain. He thought they'd love that, but both of them didn't like their hair getting messed up and hunkered down in the bottom of the back seats. Mom took her socks off and put them on her ears because they were cold. Reed was aggravated, but I thought it was so funny.

When Mom and Clara got together, they would have a great time talking and telling funny stories. In my mind, I can hear Clara and my mom laughing together. I am sure that Mom and Clara are laughing together now. Mom adored her only sister. Now Clara is with Mammaw and Pappaw, her sister and her brother, Lawrence. I would love to have seen their happy reunion.

My love to Claudia, Randy, and Steve.

Laura Ellis Lefler

Laura Ellis Lefler - December 01, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ Claudia, we were so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you go thru this time of loss.
Richard & Shelby Hartley

Shelby Hartley - December 01, 2020 at 12:52 AM