



Cordelia Claire McClure

March 8, 1938 - February 15, 2021

Cordelia "Claire" McClure, 82 of Cross Lanes, WV, formerly of Okmulgee OK, went home to be with the Lord, February 15th, 2021. Claire was born in Leavenworth, Kansas to the late Roscoe and Gladys (Henderson) Campbell. She graduated from high school in Meriden, Kansas and attended Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas. Claire married David McClure, December 20, 1958. Claire was a full time Navy wife, raising 2 children as the family moved to wherever David was stationed. Each time they moved, the family always found a church, where they served during the time David was stationed there. For Claire, this took many forms--teaching Sunday School, working in the Nursery, Vacation Bible School, and cooking food. Claire and David often worked together to help serve large church dinners. After David retired, they joined Campers On Mission. When their team was sent out on a church construction project, Claire was involved in the sewing group, using her two sewing machines to make anything that was requested--curtains, doll clothes, backpacks, neonatal caps, and bandannas. Claire found satisfaction by serving. This often took the form of cooking, whether for family, work groups, or church--small groups or large. When Claire moved to WV with her daughter, she saw a news story about a West Virginia University doctor and nurse who came up with sewing directions for masks. She and her daughter made around 400 masks to be given to the medical community. Claire is preceded in death by her parents, husband of 55 years, David McClure, and sister Virginia Ludy. She is survived by daughter Gail (Randy) Merriken of WV (with whom she lived), son Tim (Beth) McClure of PA, grandchildren Tiffany (Chris) Schirtzinger of WV, Jeremy (Anastasia) Merriken of NC, Alan McClure, and Nicole McClure, of PA, great grandchildren, Honour Merriken, Curtis Merriken, Vincent Schirtzinger, and Elliott Schirtzinger, and her siblings, Roland (Jan) Campbell, Laurel (Everett) Browning, Helene (Jack) Hayward, and Shirley (Bob) Bowser. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made in Claire's name to the First Baptist Church Okmulgee, 311 West Fifth, Okmulgee, OK 74447. <https://onrealm.org/FBCOkmulgee/give/McClure>

Arrangements are under the direction of the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Plans for a future service will be determined at the family's discretion.

Cemetery

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road

Fort Gibson, OK,

Events

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Committal Service

02:00PM

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road, Fort Gibson, OK, US

Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - May 14, 2021 at 10:06 AM



“ Claire and I worked, sewed, laughed and produced many different projects while we were with Campers on Mission. She was the blue jean queen; anytime anyone needed their jeans patched she could do it as long as there was anything to connect the material to. Even after they quit COM I still kept up with her by phone and tried to check on her. When she moved she failed to keep me informed on how to reach her. Claire taught me lots of things along with how to make stuff. I truly loved Dave and Claire they really worked hard for the Lord, and was always the last to leave.

Glenda & Jack Davis
glendanjack@gmail.com

Glenda M. Davis - March 06, 2021 at 02:40 PM



“ Loved to visit with Clara while she sewed with COM. She was such a blessing. I know she will be missed.

janice goins - March 02, 2021 at 11:20 AM



“ Claire was one of my first Navy friends to meet. She was already in Hampton when I got there and with her help we found our way for the first time to meet the ship. The four of us became such good friends. So many wonderful meals together and card games.
Two very special people and you kids were so special and loved by them so much.
Love you
Barb and Wes Bush
1312 Bristol Drive
Montrose CO 81401

Barbara & Wes Bush - February 27, 2021 at 05:25 PM



“ Tim, I never met your mother. Her obituary tells the story of a loving mother with a heart for those around her. What a privilege you have had to be raised in such a home! What an example for other. Peace to you and your family as you mourn her loss.

Wes Miller

Wes Miller - February 21, 2021 at 07:56 AM