



Clara Bear

June 8, 1925 - April 18, 2020

Clara Alice (Faulkner) Bear of Springfield passed away Saturday April 18, 2020 at her home surrounded by her family. She was born June 8, 1925 in Jellico, Tennessee to the late Lee and Dulance "Dusty" Leach Faulkner. She married Carl D. Bear on December 31, 1945 and shared 51 wonderful years together. Clara was a longtime member of Maiden Lane Church of God in Springfield and enjoyed her Sunday School Class and the annual; Church of God camp meetings. Clara loved visiting her hometown of Jellico as well as taking long drives in the country. She enjoyed family reunions and was always present at birthday and graduation celebrations as well as cheering her Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren on at their various sporting events. She enjoyed chocolate in any form but particularly loved chocolate ice cream. She was a frequent visitor of Youngs Dairy often sharing stories of her past with her Children, Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. Clara was a compassionate spirit who always cared for those around her. She never met a stranger and was loved by all. Clara was preceded in death by her husband Carl, six siblings, Lee Jr., Martha, Johnny, Mary, Jimmy and Joseph. She is survived by three sons and daughters-in-law; Larry and Pamela Bear of Columbus, Garry and Robin Bear of Springfield and Mark and Lisa Bear of South Charleston, thirteen Grandchildren; Ben, Alicia, Kristen, Betsy, Marilyn, Sarah, Tricia and Jimmie, Dawn Byers, Bill and Shannan Byers, Jason and Lindsey Byers, Robert and Tory Byers ,and David Masters, sister-in-law Phyliss Faulkner, fifteen Great Grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews

and friends. We offer a special thanks to Heartland Hospice and her very special home health aids that provided outstanding love and care over the past several weeks. A private service will be conducted 11:00 am Wednesday, April 22, 2020 in Adkins Funeral Home. The service will be live streamed on Facebook live. Graveside service will be held at 11:45 am in the Enon Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in her memory to Maiden Lane Church of God, 1201 Maiden Lane Springfield, Ohio 45504. A Celebration of Life service will be held at later date.

Cemetery Details

Enon Cemetery

6013 Dayton Springfield Rd
Springfield, OH 45502
(937) 864-2881

Previous Events

Private Funeral Service

APR 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

Adkins Funeral Home
7055 Dayton Road
Enon, OH 45323
(937) 864-2288

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ It was great sadness I heard of the passing of Clara. I knew her mainly as "Mrs Bear" the mom of my good friend Mark and his elder brothers Gary and Larry- who were also close friends to my older brothers. I remember Clara as a wonderful lady with big hair and an even bigger welcoming heart whenever I came over to hang out with Mark, She was the perfect counterpart to Mark's Dad who also was a very kind and compassionate person (although he wasn't blessed with the same hair!)

Carl and Clara and their boys were always integral part of the Partridge Acre families whether that was at sleepovers (where I was always amazed at the chance to see again the amazing variety of neat antiques that decorated the Bear home) or everyone battling it out at a big basketball game up at the Schlubs.

I also remember Clara lending a helpful ear to my parents and all other the neighborhood parents as they went about their sometime challenging points in their lives in our tight knit little burg center around Lucas and Ridgeway drive and the rest of the acres. It is no coincidence that she was a loved and successful parent raising great kids and was a valued friend to all her knew her.

Sincerely

Jim Schlub

Jim Schlub - April 27, 2020 at 09:10 AM

CM

“ *Mrs. Bear was a very friendly and kind person. (Back in my day we did not call our elders by first name.) She was comforting to me when my mother died and I wish I could be present for her family. Larry, as one of the few remaining Boone Station class of 65, i personally want to offer my condolences to you. Carolyn Schlub Musser*

Carolyn Musser - April 23, 2020 at 02:56 PM

DS

“ *Mrs. Bear was a good neighbor and Garry Larry and Mark were great friends growing up in Parkridge Acres in another time. Sorry we couldn't attend the funeral and reconnect. Sorry for your loss. David Schlub and the rest of the family*

David Schlub - April 23, 2020 at 08:52 AM

VE

“ *The Village of Enon Mayor, Council Members and Staff would like to express our deepest Condolence.*

Village of Enon - April 22, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Clara Bear.*



April 21, 2020 at 11:45 AM

RG

“ So sorry for your loss of such a wonderful lady. We sure will miss her smiling face and beautiful spirit. She was always so kind and loving.

Randy and Cherie Green

Randy Green - April 21, 2020 at 10:43 AM

TR

“ Sorry for your lost. She was such a great neighbor. I would go over to visit with her, and we would always have a great conversation. I hope you three sons are doing well. *Tim Ridenour*

Tim Ridenour - April 21, 2020 at 09:52 AM

DF

“ Never will forget the wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners were had at my grandparents, her Mom and Dad's, house.

Aunt Clara was always busying around both visiting and helping cooking at the same time.

She always had a laugh that your could tell when see was having fun.

She was the last of her generation in our family that went through the depression, World War 2, Korea, and Vietnam. She was one of those “everyday heroes” who had to withstand such problems, and still have a wonderful life. We will miss her, but never forget her.

David Faulkner - April 20, 2020 at 11:47 PM

DF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Deirdre Faulkner-Williams - April 20, 2020 at 08:48 PM

DF

“ I can remember when Aunt Clara visited Mamaw when I was staying with them for spring break. I spent hours in her hotel room listening to them tell stories. She loved her family so deeply and we loved her right back. She will be missed.

Deirdre Faulkner-Williams - April 20, 2020 at 08:46 PM

MW

Clara was a model of gratitude. She felt so strongly about all the blessings she received from God. She loved her family dearly & was family to all of us in the Senior Adult Sunday School class at Maiden Lane Church. Clara was one of my favorite folks & was a proud republican supporter. We loved her & will truly miss her. Mike & Sherry Whaley. ❤️🙏

Mike Whaley - April 21, 2020 at 01:14 PM

ND

“ I will miss cousin Clara's Christmas cards! I've kept everyone she sent me! In one particular card she wrote me her whole family tree! I love those cards & I love her!

Nina Douglas - April 20, 2020 at 08:04 PM

GB

“ Mom was a great mother. Her and dad were great role models and we got to go on many trips and see lots of this country.

Garry Beair - April 20, 2020 at 04:37 PM

DA

“ Such a wonderful woman. I always made sure I would come and give her a huge hug in church. She would always talk about her gold cross necklace her husband got her and how they met. She was a woman who would make me smile :) She always said I was a pretty little girl and just was full of joy for the Lord. I can't wait to see her again when we get to Heaven💜

Donna Artis - April 20, 2020 at 01:50 PM