



Clari Cartwright Lyles

October 14, 1926 - September 24, 2016

Clari Blanche Cartwright Lyles passed away on September 24, 2016. Clari was the youngest daughter of Herman E. and Klara Roberts Cartwright, born in New Castle, Pennsylvania, on October 14, 1926.

She was predeceased by her husband of more than 60 years, Charles Gayton (Buck) Lyles, her eldest daughter, Yvonne Lyles Minner Eppolito, son-in-law, William R. (Bill) Eppolito and sister, Dawn Cartwright Fones.

Clari is survived by her children, Charles Lyles and Pam, Beth Lyles Howell and Randy, Janie Lyles Rich and John, grandchildren Ron Minner and Eileen, Sherri Minner and Ray, Kathryn Rich, Zachary Rich, great granddaughter Erin Minner, a brother-in-law, two sisters-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

After the death of her father in 1942, Clari moved with her mother and sister to Northern Virginia. Clari worked in a bank and met Buck on a blind date arranged by a co-worker and after about a year of dating, they married on August 24, 1947. Later, Clari worked as a bookkeeper for a medical practice in Alexandria until she and Buck retired in 1987 to Spotsylvania County. Clari was an avid reader and crossword puzzle solver until macular degeneration robbed her of her sight. Clari was a positive and spiritual person and always saw the best in everyone. We cherish our memories of her and will miss her every day.

The family will receive friends from 10:00-11:00AM Thursday, October 6, 2016 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center St., Manassas, VA where funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM with Rev. Dr. Billy G. Tatum officiating. Interment will follow at Quantico National Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA 22172

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
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Tribute Wall

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“ I adopted Ms. Lyles as my grandma. She watched me grow up in church and I remember coming to her church pew and sitting and talking to her every Sunday she was there. Although she was the sweetest person you would ever meet, she was also sassy and spunky and funny. She was family to me and I'm going to miss seeing her at church and telling her all about school and my cat. She was such a sweet lady and I know that she is in a better place now. Heaven gained such an amazing person and as sad as I am to see her go, I know she's not in pain anymore, and that I will get to see her in Heaven one day.

Jennifer Goosman - October 05, 2016 at 05:42 PM

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“ Clari loved all the little children at Church. I can recall when she would volunteer to just sit in the nursery and rock the babies. I can picture her allowing the six year old guide her down the hallway. I can picture the teen girls always looking for their "hello hug "from her each Sunday am. I can still hear her answer Bible question in the adult Sunday School and being spot on. She was a true blessing to all of us at Calvary Baptist. Heaven is getting sweeter and sweeter! Can't wait to see her again there!! --- Debby Owens

Debby - October 05, 2016 at 05:14 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Clari Cartwright Lyles.



October 05, 2016 at 02:16 PM

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“ Our sincere condolences to the Lyles family on the passing of Clari. Though we aren't often in touch, our families share so many wonderful memories going back generations. Mom and I were very saddened to learn of Clari's death. Clari and Buck were like family to Mom and Dad. While living in Lorton, we cherish the many Sundays our families spent together over fried chicken dinners, washed down with a few beers, while we kids (Tina, Tommy, Yvonne, Charlie and Myself) played hide-n-seek, chased lightening bugs, riding our pony, Star, and well, just having fun! Beth Ann was born while we still lived there, but wasn't very old when we moved from Lorton in the summer of 1962.

When Mom went to the hospital to have Rocky, Tina and I stayed a few days at Buck and Clairi's with Yvonne.

It was so good to see Clari and the rest of the Lyles family at the Lyles reunions at Aquia while Florence was still with us.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bonny (Dyer) Jones
and Sonia Dyer

Bonny and Sonia Dyer - October 04, 2016 at 08:18 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Clari Cartwright Lyles.



October 04, 2016 at 06:04 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Clari Cartwright Lyles.* ”



October 02, 2016 at 09:35 AM