



## Clara Ethel Thompson

January 19, 1955 - December 21, 2011

Clara Ethel Thompson, known to most as “Clare,” passed away peacefully in her Denton home on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, at 9:15 p.m. She was surrounded by loved ones.

Clare, 56, was born on January 19, 1955, at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore, MD, to her parents, Albert Austin Snead and Edith Ava (Ratliff) Snead. Clare spent most of her childhood in Severna Park, MD, and attended school there. At the age of 19, Clare moved with her family to Ingleside, MD, and spent the majority of her life since that time on the Eastern Shore. In 1981 Clare married the late William Francis Ewing, Jr., “Bill” of Bethlehem, MD. Together they ran Bethlehem Motors until 2000 when they sold the business and moved to Denton.

Clare began working a Homestead Manor of Denton driving residents to their appointments. She loved her job because so many of the residents would share their life stories with her, and she bonded with many of them during her five years there. In 2004, Clare remarried Scott Thompson, a Chaplain in the Army. Since then she has worked for several Home Instead Senior Care branches, as she has done some traveling in the past seven years. She provided care and companionship for elderly persons, another job in which she found much delight. Clare took a specialized training course on Alzheimer’s in order to better assist her clients who suffered from the disease.

Clare was known as a sincerely compassionate selfless and loving person. She was a hard worker who balanced managing a business, home schooling, and raising her five children, and managing the household while maintaining a soft, gentle spirit. Clare loved God and served him faithfully throughout her lifetime. When she was 19, she learned to play the piano by ear and did so beautifully. She offered her gift to God and played for several churches over the years. During the last seven years, Clare was involved in the Protestant Women of the Chapel organization, actively supporting the soldiers.

Clare treasured and cherished her family; there is nothing she wouldn't do for her children and grandchildren. Her love for them will never be forgotten.

Clare is survived by her mother, Edith Snead, of Denton; her sisters Angela Cook of Oak Hall, VA, and Allison McElhany, of Denton; her children Jeffrey Snead, of Denton, Jordan Ewing and his wife Jamie, of Denton, Jeremiah Ewing of Denton, and Tiffany (Ewing) Jensen and her husband Benjamin of Easton; her grandchildren, Damien, Melanie, Brayden, and Felicity; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Joshua Lee Ewing, in 2006, and her father, Albert Snead in 2009.

Clare will forever remain in the hearts of those who loved her. Her beauty, love, and laughter will be forever missed.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, December 30, 2011, at 2 p.m. at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Easton. Friends may call one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Junior Order Cemetery in Preston, MD.

# Cemetery Details

**Jr. Order Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**DEC 30.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Easton Location  
200 S Harrison St  
Easton, MD 21601  
(410) 822-3131  
[info@fhfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fhfuneralhome.com)

### Service

**DEC 30.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Clara Ethel Thompson

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ Clara Ethel Thompson

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Clara Ethel Thompson

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ I have searched many years for my best friend Clara. So sorry I couldn't find her while she lived here in earth. We lived in Creston Park as neighbors We were best friends in Elementary school, she so quiet at school and me so talkative. I loved her and she loved me. We moved to FI when I was 13 and wrote each other for several years but I never forgot her. So glad to know I will see her again in Heaven. Life has been good to both of us it seems. I will miss you forever my sweet friend and Bestie. The south doesn't know how to have faithful friends truly sad. Patricia Schley Burgess 270 Lakeview Drive DeFuniak Springs FI 32433. I'd live to hear from Clara's family.

Patricia Schley Burgess - July 17, 2021 at 08:29 AM

PC

“ Clare loved life, she loved her family and she loved Christ. She was a light in a dark place and her sincerity and pureness of heart was clearly seen by all. To know Clare was to know a blessing from heaven. The comfort we have at this time is knowing that we who hold the same faith in Christ as she did will see her again! Praise God! - Pastor Ed Connatser

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**Phillip E. Connatser** - December 30, 2011 at 10:15 AM

JC

“ Clare was so beautiful inside and out. What a blessing to have known her.

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**Joan Connatser** - December 30, 2011 at 07:49 AM

KC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Kerri Cook** - December 29, 2011 at 08:15 PM

KC

*Clara's sisters and mother.*

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**Kerri Cook** - December 29, 2011 at 08:20 PM



“ *God hath not promised  
Skies always blue,  
Flower-strewn pathways  
All our lives through.  
God hath not promised  
Sun without rain.  
Joy without sorrow,  
Peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised  
strength for the day  
Rest for the labor,  
Light for the way.  
Grace for the trials,  
Help from above,  
Unfailing sympathy  
Undying love*

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**Kerri Cook** - December 29, 2011 at 07:36 PM

SL

“ *Clara was a special friend we known each other since she lived in pasadena many fun times.as girls loved to hang out at the water and as we have grown up .We still had fun on sundays by the pool and all our kids*

*having funJust like we did love you and will be missed.God bless  
you and your family.  
sharon stull livingston*

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**sharon stull livingston** - December 29, 2011 at 11:02 AM

ME

“ *Melinda Ewing lit a candle in memory of Clara Ethel Thompson*



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**Melinda Ewing** - December 28, 2011 at 07:45 PM

DW

“ *Clare a Proverbs 31 woman!! A woman after God's heart!! Clare thank you for being light to many and for your love and devotion to Christ and your family.*

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**dawn wirtz** - December 28, 2011 at 04:07 PM

ES

“ *To one of the sweetest, most gentle spirits that has graced this earth. You will be so missed.*



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**Elaine Sadler** - December 28, 2011 at 12:20 PM

DW

“ *Dallas, Libby, Shannon & Jaime Walls lit a candle in memory of Clara Ethel Thompson*



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**Dallas, Libby, Shannon & Jaime Walls** - December 28, 2011 at 11:50 AM

HD

“ *Heather Ewing Daffin lit a candle in memory of Clara Ethel Thompson*



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**Heather Ewing Daffin** - December 28, 2011 at 11:07 AM

BW

“ *Brenda Walls lit a candle in memory of Clara Ethel Thompson*



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**Brenda Walls** - December 28, 2011 at 10:24 AM

DD

“ *To one of the most kind, loving, beautiful, TRUE Christian women I have ever known. Thank you for being there for many of us teenagers when we were trying to get our lives right with the Lord, and get off drugs and the street, for picking us up for church, bringing us to your house to hang out, for your beautiful music, and always having a smile on your face, especially when those youth you loved, drifted apart. You were/are a mother to many. Love you ?*

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**Deborah Dunn** - December 24, 2011 at 03:42 PM