



Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman

March 1, 1918 - August 22, 2020

Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman, age 102, of Hartsville, passed away peacefully at her home into the arms of her Savior, Jesus Christ, on Saturday, August 22, 2020. She was born March 1, 1918, in Greenwood County, daughter to the late Frank and Jennie Ellis Norris. She was raised alongside and predeceased by her three brothers, Clifton, Jim, Capers, and sister, Katherine.

Claudia stayed active in high school by playing tennis and basketball and was crowned Miss Abbeville in 1935. After high school, she graduated from Dickenson's Secretarial School in Columbia, SC. During WWII, she worked as a telephone operator at Fort Jackson and, after the war, worked at the State Office Rationing Board as a secretary.

She met her late husband, Darrell Hudson Chapman, through mutual friends, and on January 30, 1943, they were married. Claudia left her city life to join Darrell in the country and together, raised two sons, Darrell Jr., and Jim. Claudia found the farm to be a great place to live and raise a family. She worked as the secretary at Antioch School until her retirement. She remained busy by proudly serving God at her church, Bethlehem United Methodist, on a variety of committees.

Claudia enjoyed traveling, shopping, walking (she walked for exercise every day well into her later years), and time spent with family. To those around her,

she instilled the importance of family and getting an education and baked a lemon cake that couldn't be beaten. Her laughter and love will be missed by all who knew her.

Claudia was preceded in death by her husband of 43 years, Darrell Hudson Chapman Sr., and survived by their two sons, Darrell Jr. (Tracy) and Jim (Sylvia); grandchildren, Trey (Jessie), Gretchen (Tim), Will (MaryAnn), Christina (John Ed) and Amanda (Will); great-grandchildren, Kendall, Kaelyn, Jennah, Evan, Micah, Taylor, Blake, Hudson, Ellah and Lanah. The family is grateful for Claudia's faithful caretakers, Mabel Little, Jackie McClain, and Carol Young, who remained by her side day and night.

A graveside service is scheduled at 10 am, August 25, at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in the Byrdtown Community of Hartsville, South Carolina. The family requests those who wish to express sympathy to consider making a donation to Epworth Children's Home at P.O. Box 50466, Columbia, SC 29250.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Methodist Church Cemetery

2240 Bethlehem Road
Hartsville, SC 29550

Previous Events

Graveside

AUG 25. 10:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Methodist Church Cemetery
2240 Bethlehem Road
Hartsville, SC 29550

Tribute Wall

JL

“ Jerry And Angela Lane lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Jerry and Angela Lane - August 26, 2020 at 09:19 PM

TM

“ My heart goes out to the family. A sweet women going to be missed by many.



Tomeka Mccall - August 26, 2020 at 12:38 PM

JE

“ Jeanette V Eberhart lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Jeanette V Eberhart - August 25, 2020 at 09:47 PM

MP

“ Monnie Thomas Privette lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Monnie Thomas Privette - August 25, 2020 at 12:48 PM

RW

“ My heart and prayers go out to you. *Rebecca Wadsworth Walker*

Rebecca Wadsworth Walker - August 25, 2020 at 10:15 AM

JM

“ You have been so blessed for so many years by your sweet Ms. Claudia. May her strong, sweet, loving spirit and influence be forever felt. Thanks be to God for her life. Sending hugs your way.

Judy and Henry Melton

Judy and Henry Melton - August 25, 2020 at 09:25 AM

DB

“ Danny And DeeDee Byrd lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Danny and DeeDee Byrd - August 25, 2020 at 06:28 AM

HK

“ Henry And Donna King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Henry and Donna King - August 24, 2020 at 08:08 PM

DT

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Ms. Claudia was one of the sweetest ladies and she will be missed by many. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers



Don & Ann Hawkins Tiller - August 24, 2020 at 06:35 PM

JG

“ Jimmy And Judy Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Jimmy and Judy Gainey - August 24, 2020 at 05:24 PM

JB

“ Judy Barefoot lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Judy Barefoot - August 24, 2020 at 04:06 PM

MN

“ Mike And Brenda Northcutt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Mike and Brenda Northcutt - August 24, 2020 at 03:45 PM

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Mike and Brenda Tyner Northcutt

Mike and Brenda Northcutt - August 24, 2020 at 03:48 PM

JM

“ *Jo-Ann And Billy Matthews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Jo-Ann and Billy Matthews - August 24, 2020 at 01:52 PM

LP

“ *Linda Parker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Linda Parker - August 24, 2020 at 01:29 PM

JS

“ *Janet M Sherman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Janet M Sherman - August 24, 2020 at 12:02 PM



“ *Linda Knorr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Linda Knorr - August 24, 2020 at 11:49 AM



“ *Kathy McFarland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Kathy McFarland - August 24, 2020 at 11:05 AM



“ *Sylvia and Jim, I was so sorry to learn of Mrs. Chapman’s death. My heartfelt condolences to your family. I am reminded of this song: “Open My Eyes, Lord I want to see Jesus.” Surely when Mrs. Chapman opened her eyes after God took her home, she saw Jesus, with arms wide open for her. How blessed that day, hour, minute was to your family.*

Gayle Johnson McDonald - August 24, 2020 at 09:47 AM



“ *Jewel Walters Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Jewel Walters Gibson - August 24, 2020 at 09:41 AM

PT

“ Pam Hawkins Tyner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Pam Hawkins Tyner - August 24, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ Mary Beth Carter Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Mary Beth Carter Bennett - August 24, 2020 at 08:14 AM

CH

“ Cindy And William Harrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Cindy and William Harrell - August 23, 2020 at 11:19 PM

SG

“ Susan Hawkins Griffin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Susan Hawkins Griffin - August 23, 2020 at 09:00 PM

SG

My Mom (Darlle Hawkins) and Claudia were good friends for many years. They worked together at Antioch Elementary. They also enjoyed activities at church together. I know the family is going to miss her.

Susan Hawkins Griffin - August 23, 2020 at 09:10 PM

KF

I have fond memories of spending time during the summer at Aunt Claudia's. Remember all the fun family times we all enjoyed Kitty Fasching sending prayers and praise for a life well lived

kitty fasching - August 24, 2020 at 05:08 PM

SG

“ Susan Hawkins Griffin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman



Susan Hawkins Griffin - August 23, 2020 at 08:59 PM

GG

“ Ms Claudia was such a loving and wonderful lady. Fly high sweet lady you will be greatly missed!



Gene and Teresa Gibson - August 23, 2020 at 08:26 PM



“ *Phyllis Driggers Braddock sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Phyllis Driggers Braddock - August 23, 2020 at 04:44 PM



I am sorry to hear if Mrs. Claudia's passing she was one of the sweetest lady I have ever met prayers for her family❤️

Phyllis Driggers Braddock - August 23, 2020 at 04:47 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Memories Album*



Hello Lucky - August 23, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ *Charlie & Teresa Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Charlie & Teresa Johnson - August 23, 2020 at 01:35 PM

JM

“ *Julie & Ab Mckenzie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Claudia Ellis Norris Chapman*



Julie & Ab Mckenzie - August 23, 2020 at 12:56 PM

AJ

“ *Mrs Chapman was such a sweet woman. I know she will be greatly missed. Sending prayers to your family.*



Amy Johnson - August 23, 2020 at 12:56 PM