



Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer

April 15, 1924 - June 13, 2020

Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer, of the Village at Summerville, Summerville, SC, and the Kelleytown Community in Hartsville, SC, passed away on June 13, 2020. She was the only child of the late Simelton E. Kelley and Mabel Haile Kelley.

Born on April 15, 1924, Sara, even as a young child, was reported to have been high spirited, energetic, and fiercely independent. Tales were told of her young years growing up on a working farm and cherished by devoted parents. During World War II, she moved to New Jersey and assisted in the war effort in the meaningful job of helping to build Navy fighter planes and time spent on the staff of the Washington Post Newspaper.

After the war, Sara married John Wildeboer of Parsippany NJ and returned to Hartsville SC. Although she initially worked in the business with her father and husband, feeling unfulfilled, she returned to college and pursued graduate studies becoming one of the first middle school guidance counselors. She acted in this position, while raising two daughters, until retirement and was vastly appreciated and recognized as she helped students and parents with life choices throughout her career.

Sara enjoyed spending time with friends and family, traveling, reading, music, and shopping. She was strong in her faith, support for just causes, children,

animals, and her commitment to her ancestral Jacob Kelley House in Hartsville, SC.

Sara is survived by her two daughters, Sherry Wildeboer Macaluso (Charles) of Blythewood, SC, and Joan Wildeboer Sorrow of Hartsville, SC. She adored her grandchildren, Lanie Boyd Tiller (Phillip) of Hartsville, SC, and Charles Macaluso, Jr. of Blythewood, SC; her great-grandchildren, Boyd Tiller, and Cooper Tiller of Hartsville, SC. She treasured her many close friends keeping them close throughout her life. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, John Wildeboer, and her grandson, Simon Boyd.

The family wishes to thank her loving caregiver, Jackie Kramartz, and the outstanding, compassionate care provided by the Agape Hospice House of Summerville, SC.

A private graveside service will be held with care provided by Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home. The family has asked that masks be worn to protect those in the family who are at higher risk.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Darlington County Humane Society and the World Central Kitchen.

Cemetery Details

Westview Memorial Park Cemetery

2223 Kelleytown Road
Hartsville, SC 29550
info@bpafuneralhome.com

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

SM

“ Sherry and Joanie, Im just now seeing this-- I am so sorry to hear yet my first thought was how blessed you are to have had this wonderful, energizing, beautiful lady in your lives for so long. I have, like others posted here, great memories of your home and parents as they attempted to keep us coloring inside the lines!!! We could talk for ever and laugh and cry!! Jut wanted you to know Im thinking of you and send my love-- Susan Webb Moore

susan moore - July 19, 2020 at 04:15 PM

BA

“ Sorry to hear about Sara. Never knew of her younger experiences. She indeed had an adventurous side!

Beth Kelley Abernathy - July 12, 2020 at 05:15 PM

PE

“ Sherry and Joanie, I am so sorry that Sara died and I have not had any contact with you . I sent Hera card in Summerville about a year ago and she called me. Talked for almost an hour. She sounded just as frisky ever! I have such great memories of being in your house in my teenage years with Sherry. Your family was blessed to have her as a mother.

Perribeth - June 25, 2020 at 08:29 PM

KG

“ Kristie Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Kristie Gardner - June 24, 2020 at 12:49 AM

OB

“ I am so very sorry for the loss of your beloved mother. I remember Mrs. Wildeboer well. She helped guide and shape so many young lives. Please know I have you all in my prayers.

Olivia McDonald Baird - June 23, 2020 at 05:51 PM

LL

“ Lori Lesieur lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Lori Lesieur - June 19, 2020 at 08:18 PM



“ Linda Knorr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Linda Knorr - June 18, 2020 at 10:41 AM

RW

“ What a wonderful, sweet lady. I remember so well her hosting our Brownie troop, as Sherry was a member. My thoughts and prayers are with the family as they go through this difficult time.

Rhonda Watkins - June 17, 2020 at 11:24 PM

KH

“ She was the BEST!! This lady made such an impact on my life. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family of this wonderful lady.

Karen Harrison - June 17, 2020 at 03:13 PM

MC

“ *Michelle Caddell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Michelle Caddell - June 17, 2020 at 11:54 AM

CK

“ *Carolyn Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Carolyn Kelley - June 17, 2020 at 11:54 AM

RS

“ *Rebecca Skinner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Rebecca Skinner - June 17, 2020 at 10:30 AM

CK

Mrs. Wildeboer was such a great lady.

Carolyn Kelley - June 17, 2020 at 11:55 AM

BG

“ I offer my condolences to Sara's family but to the memory of Sara Wildeboer, I have much more I would like to say! In life you never know how a chance encounter with someone will effect your life in later years. My encounter with Sara was like that and as I sit in my office as the Darlington County Historian and Director of the Historical Commission, I am keenly aware that he mark is all over my current success. She was a caring guidance counselor that looked beyond the present situation of the student and deep into what they had the potential to become. Sara was one of the founding members of the Jacob Kelley House Guild, a group of citizens that championed the restoration of a local house museum in the Kelleytown community. Sara, in 1988 encouraged me to get involved with the guild and the museum. She was overly persistent and just seemed bound and determined to get me involved. My mom was a member and active so she felt that it would be a good thing for me and for the guild. I did get involved and she worked it out for me to lay the fires in the house for our open house events.

Today, I serve as director of the organization that owns and operates the Jacob Kelley House Museum and have the honor of serving as our County Historian....I can't help wondering if Sara saw all this in my cards so many years ago. I have a hunch that she just cared about students, paid attention to their strengths and tried to push us all in a direction that would bring success. Sara Wildebore -
THANK YOU FOR PUTTING ME ON A PATH THAT HAS BROUGHT ME SO MUCH JOY! When I see on the other side of Chilly Jordan, I will say thank you in person!

Brian Gandy - June 17, 2020 at 09:57 AM

SS

“ Steve Shirley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Steve Shirley - June 17, 2020 at 08:33 AM

JK

“ With your goodbye you take with you my heart. I love you toots.



Jackie Kramarz - June 17, 2020 at 08:17 AM

KB

“ Dear Wildeboer famiy, I'm sorry for your loss. Ms. Wildeboer was at the high school when I was there between 1980 and 1984. Praying for your family.

Kim Bryant - June 16, 2020 at 11:11 PM

JM

“ Janet Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Janet Moore - June 16, 2020 at 10:01 PM

CF

“ *She has such an influence on so many of us!*
Cheryl Dixon Flynn

Cheryl Dixon Flynn - June 16, 2020 at 06:28 PM

CF

“ *Cheryl Dixon Flynn lit a candle in memory of*
Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Cheryl Dixon Flynn - June 16, 2020 at 06:26 PM

AM

“ *Alan And Mitzi lit a candle in memory of Mrs.*
Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Alan and Mitzi - June 16, 2020 at 06:11 PM

DB

“ *David And Beverly Byrd lit a candle in*
memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



David and Beverly Byrd - June 16, 2020 at 05:31 PM

WY

“ *Wilma Gainey Yarborough lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Wilma Gainey Yarborough - June 16, 2020 at 04:48 PM

SP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all dear family. Sara will be greatly missed and honored for all the lives and hearts that she touched over her lifetime. She was a dear sweet lady. Much love and prayers for you all.
God bless.*

Sally Wright Puckett - June 16, 2020 at 01:34 PM

DW

“ *Beautiful memories of Mrs. Wildeboer!
Sending prayers and condolences to Sherry,
Jianie, and families!*



*Sincerely,
Debbie Luther Watson*

Debbie Watson - June 16, 2020 at 12:15 PM

DK

“ *Donna King lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Donna King - June 16, 2020 at 10:46 AM

JG

“ *Janice Johnson Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Janice Johnson Gainey - June 16, 2020 at 10:06 AM

MH

“ *Martha Mixon Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Martha Mixon Hall - June 15, 2020 at 10:30 PM

SF

“ *Susan Futrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Susan Futrell - June 15, 2020 at 09:33 PM

EF

“ *Elaine Futrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Elaine Futrell - June 15, 2020 at 08:54 PM

RB

“ *Robin An Shelby Barr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Robinson Shelby Barr - June 15, 2020 at 08:47 PM

CD

“ *Cora Dial lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Cora Dial - June 15, 2020 at 08:19 PM

LL

“ *What a sweet precious lady
I remember her so well from HJH
She was always so kind to everyone
She came in contact with
Always a beautiful smile on her face
What a legacy to leave her family
Cindy S Lowe*



Lawrence & Cindy Lowe - June 15, 2020 at 07:27 PM



“ *A wonderful teacher and a kind, loving lady.*

Bill Shelley - June 15, 2020 at 07:07 PM

RH

“ I absolutely loved Mrs. Wildeboer when I was in Hartsville Junior High School.
What an awesome lady.

Roscia Hawkins Hardee - June 15, 2020 at 06:28 PM

KH

“ Such a sweet teacher!



Karen Hodge - June 15, 2020 at 06:04 PM

DK

“ David King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



David King - June 15, 2020 at 05:57 PM

CM

“ Prayers for the family and friends.

charles mclendon - June 15, 2020 at 04:58 PM

CS

“ Charles And Lavonde Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Charles and Lavonde Smith - June 15, 2020 at 04:15 PM

JS

“ I Loved Sara and she was a very Special Lady. I first met her when me and my husband moved to Kelletown and she let me rake pine straw for my flower bed and working in the Jacob Kelley House. Prayers for the Family

judy segars - June 15, 2020 at 02:11 PM

DJ

“ I fondly remember Sara when she and I were on staff at Hartsville Junior High School. It was a joy to work with her. May the family feel the presence, love and strength of the Holy Spirit at this time and always.

Daniel Jones - June 15, 2020 at 01:39 PM

SH

“ Sharon Shirley Howle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Sharon Shirley Howle - June 15, 2020 at 12:24 PM

DN

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May you find comfort in His love. I will always remember Mrs. Sara's sweet smile. Much love and prayers.

Dan and Kathy Newsome - June 15, 2020 at 11:22 AM

TW

“ Such a beautiful lady with the big smile...I remember her so well. Sending heartfelt condolences and love to all
Terri Northcutt Woodham

Terri Northcutt Woodham - June 15, 2020 at 10:29 AM

JC

“ Jim & Jeri Cox lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Jim & Jeri Cox - June 15, 2020 at 08:37 AM

MS

“ Mary Lathan Steele lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Mary Lathan Steele - June 15, 2020 at 08:28 AM

LG

“ *Lou Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Lou Gardner - June 15, 2020 at 08:11 AM



“ *She was such a wonderful lady. What an impact she had on many!! Prayers for her family.*

Joyce Beasley - June 15, 2020 at 08:07 AM

VJ

“ *Valerie Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Valerie johnson - June 15, 2020 at 03:52 AM

CC

“ *Carol Camp lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Carol camp - June 15, 2020 at 12:11 AM

TW

“ *Travis And Marilyn Walters lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Travis and Marilyn Walters - June 14, 2020 at 07:44 PM

EW

“ *Edna Faye Warr lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Edna Faye Warr - June 14, 2020 at 06:22 PM

AW

“ *Dear Joanie, What a sweet dear lady your precious Mom was to so many. Always smiling. What a beautiful life she had. Sending many prayers to you and to all of your family.*
Love Anna

Anna Williams - June 14, 2020 at 05:23 PM

AC

“ *Ann Brown Crowley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Ann Brown Crowley - June 14, 2020 at 05:07 PM

IG

“ Irene And Glenn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



irene and Glenn - June 14, 2020 at 04:20 PM

JD

“ Judy John Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Judy John Davis - June 14, 2020 at 03:21 PM

LP

“ Linda & Billy Price



Linda Price - June 14, 2020 at 03:14 PM

BM

“ Billy & Gayle McDonald lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Billy & Gayle McDonald - June 14, 2020 at 02:57 PM

GO

“ I AM SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THE PASSING OF SUCH A WONDERFUL GUIDENCE COUNSELOR DURING MY YEARS AT HARTSVILLE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WAS ONE REMARKABLE AND SWEET LADY TO ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE WILL BE MISSED DEARLY. ITS MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THAT GOD WILL COMFORT YOU ALL DURING THE DAYS AHEAD. ALWAYS REFLECT BACK ON THE MEMORIES YOU CHERISHED WITH HER. THEY WILL LAST A LIFETIME, SINCERELT GRADY O'NEAL HJHS 1978--1981

Grady O'Neal - June 14, 2020 at 02:11 PM

KF

“ Kelli Funderburk lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Kelli Funderburk - June 14, 2020 at 12:30 PM

BH

“ What a sweet lady! I remember her from HJH as a very kind lady. Joannie, my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Bobbie A. Huggins

Bobbie A. Huggins - June 14, 2020 at 11:49 AM

KJ

“ *Kathi Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Kathi Johnson - June 14, 2020 at 10:33 AM

GV

“ *Gary Vann lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Gary Vann - June 14, 2020 at 10:27 AM

GV

Mrs Wildeboer, was a sweet lady

Gary Vann - June 14, 2020 at 10:28 AM

GG

“ *Gene And Teresa Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Gene and Teresa Gibson - June 14, 2020 at 10:22 AM

M6

“ Mitchell Gainey Class Of 69 lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Mitchell Gainey class of 69 - June 14, 2020 at 10:17 AM

M6

One of the finest teacher we had always dressed neat and a smile on her face

Mitchell Gainey class of 69 - June 14, 2020 at 10:19 AM

SG

“ Scott and Harriet Gupton



Scott and Harriet Gupton - June 14, 2020 at 10:08 AM

CN

“ Chris Snd Rhonda Norton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Chris snd Rhonda Norton - June 14, 2020 at 09:22 AM

RW

“ I worked with her at HJHS. She was caring, insightful, and smart. Prayers go out to her family. Rebecca Wadsworth Walker

Rebecca Wadsworth Walker - June 14, 2020 at 09:10 AM

PC

“ *Paul And Carole Cannarella lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Paul and Carole Cannarella - June 14, 2020 at 08:39 AM

MZ

“ *What a Great Lady!*

Madge Zemp - June 14, 2020 at 08:28 AM

SS

“ *Sherron Lee Skipper sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Sherron Lee Skipper - June 14, 2020 at 07:15 AM

GS

“ *Gloria Shoemake lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer*



Gloria Shoemake - June 14, 2020 at 02:42 AM

DP

“ Rest in Peace to the best Counselor who was very wonderful to me in 8th grade. You may have been shorter than the rest but like they say dynamite comes in smalls packages. God Bless

Dana Munn Parker - June 14, 2020 at 01:04 AM

CM

“ Crystal Minnehan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Sara Kelley Wildeboer



Crystal Minnehan - June 14, 2020 at 12:27 AM

JK

“ Rest In Peace Mrs. Wildeboer.....I'm so glad I got to meet you and know you if only for a short time.....you were a charm...



Jofrieda Kelley - June 13, 2020 at 10:16 PM

LY

Such a wonderful lady with so much common sensewith teenagers! Loved her!

Linda Yount - June 14, 2020 at 07:17 PM

DN

Mrs. Wildeboer was always a favorite, everyone loved her. My condolences to her family.

Debby Norwood - June 15, 2020 at 08:28 PM