



## Ms. Clara Elizabeth Howard

August 23, 1955 - June 16, 2024

Ms. Clara Elizabeth Howard, 68, of Peoria, Illinois transitioned to her heavenly home at 9:58 pm on Saturday, June 15, 2024 at Accolade Nursing Home.

Clara was born in Newport, Arkansas to Ernest and Willie Mae (Mitchell) Howard. She attended elementary school and high school in Arkansas. She was a graduate of college in Hot Springs, AR., where she liked playing volleyball and basketball.

Over the years, she held jobs in the technology industry as a keyboard operator at AT&T and Data Processing with IBM in Peoria, IL. She later worked at the Post Office. In her spare time, Clara enjoyed reading, sometimes bowling and cooking, especially her favorite meal, spaghetti.

Clara leaves to cherish her memory her son, Louie Howard of Peoria, IL; two grandchildren, Asia and Brian Baldwin; four sisters, Ernestine ("Louie") Watkins and Myrtle Stevenson both of Peoria, IL Alice Hardin of Hawthorne, CA and Bettye Howard of Newport, AR; a special nephew, Larry Riddle of Peoria, IL and a host of other nephews, nieces and other relatives who adored her. She is preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Octavia Howard and two brothers, Louis and James Howard and three sisters; Helen Clark, Ruth Howard and Willie B. Doss.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at Simons Mortuary with a visitation one hour prior beginning at 9 am. Elder Ralph White, Associate Minister at Church of the Living God of Peoria, will officiate. Clara will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](http://SimonsMortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St  
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **29**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Simons Mortuary Chapel  
912 W. John H. Gwynn, Jr. Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61605  
(309) 674-2638  
info@simonsmortuary.com  
<https://simonsmortuary.com>

## Celebration of Life

JUN **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Clara Elizabeth Howard*



**Simons Mortuary** - July 05, 2024 at 03:51 PM



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**Simons Mortuary** - June 28, 2024 at 07:25 PM

PH

*Rest well my beautiful auntie  
.if our father permits please let moms & all our loved ones know that  
they are dearly missed. You will be in our hearts forever..hope to see  
you when he calls me home. 🌸❤️🥺🙏*

**Pamela,Pansy,John& Jeffrey Howard** - June 28, 2024 at 04:45 PM



*I love and gonna miss you Auntie❤�🥺🙏*

**DIRDYDAWG Twokounty** - June 29, 2024 at 04:23 PM

CS

*My auntie Claire was full of laughter, full of joy and always welcoming anyone into her home with no boundaries sweet spirit you can rest now you're in God's hands Cindy Scott*

**Cindy Scott** - July 05, 2024 at 09:45 PM

MB

“ *Mildred Baldon lit a candle in memory of Clara Howard*



**Mildred Baldon** - July 07, 2024 at 04:51 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Burial at Lutheran Cemetery*



**Simons Mortuary** - July 05, 2024 at 03:50 PM

John H Lee

“ *John H Lee lit a candle in memory of Clara Howard*



**John H Lee** - July 03, 2024 at 06:34 AM

AB

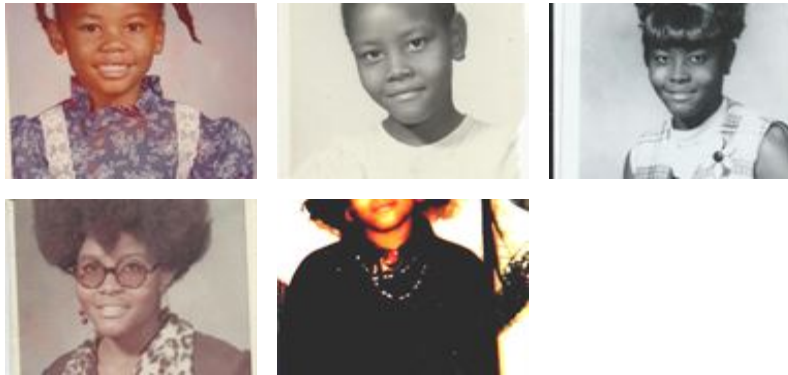
“ Abigail Barnett lit a candle in memory of Clara Howard



Abigail Barnett - June 29, 2024 at 01:11 AM



“ 20 files added to the album Life Tributes



Simons Mortuary - June 28, 2024 at 03:19 PM



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Simons Mortuary - June 28, 2024 at 02:30 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ms. Clara Elizabeth Howard.



June 28, 2024 at 01:02 PM

VD

“ Virto Doss planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Clara Elizabeth Howard.

Virto Doss - June 28, 2024 at 01:02 PM

PJ

“ Our deepest sympathy and condolences. To our family. Aunt Clara will be truly missEd. You have our prayers.God will comfort family . The Doss Family.

Pastor Virto Doss Jr - June 28, 2024 at 01:01 PM

AB

“ Anita Brown lit a candle in memory of Clara Howard



Anita Brown - June 27, 2024 at 04:22 PM

TM

“ My condolences 🙏 to our family. Auntie Clara was so sweet. I will never forget her smile and laugh. It will be in my heart for ever. Love her great niece Tanya ❤️

Tanya Massey - June 27, 2024 at 07:27 AM

WA

“ My sincere condolences to the family. Our prayers are with you all. Much love, Wanda and Charles Epps

wanda - June 26, 2024 at 08:59 PM