



Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton

August 31, 1939 - May 14, 2021

Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton, 81, of Peoria, IL passed away at 10:46 am on Friday, May 14, 2021 at UnityPoint Health Methodist Hospital.

Evelyn was born on August 31, 1939 in Peoria, Illinois to Everette and Catherine (Fortune) Tate.

Evelyn worked at Methodist Medical Center as an LPN in the Dialysis Department for over 20 years. She liked to read, talk on the phone, grocery shop for hours and had a passion for cooking. Evelyn loved watching her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren grow up and having their own children. Evelyn was a lifelong member of New Morning Star M.B. Church. She loved her church and served as the church clerk and sang in the choir. Evelyn loved singing gospel songs.

Evelyn leaves to cherish her most precious memories her daughter, Rebecca Clayton-Milton; one brother, Curtis Shumate; and one sister, JoAnn Burns all of Peoria, IL; three grandchildren, Eteraka Davis of Peoria, IL, JC Allen of Humbolt, TN and Candice Clayton of Peoria, IL; 4 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She is also preceded in death by her parents and one daughter, Jonanne Clayton.

A Celebration of Service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at New Morning Star M.B. Church with a visitation prior at 10 am. Pastor Cleveland Thomas, Sr. will officiate. Evelyn will be entombed at Swan Lake

Mausoleum.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance limits will be observed.

In accordance with the Illinois Department of Public Health, Funerals are limited to no more than 50% of the capacity of the church or less.

To be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA), funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services. Funerals are limited to no more than 50% of the decedent's immediate family members.

*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them).

*It is our responsibility as a Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible. The sanctuary can socially distance and seat 50% of the capacity of the church. All others will be able to flow through prior to beginning of the service.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Cemetery Details

Swan Lake Mausoleum

4601 W War Memorial Dr
Peoria, IL 61614

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue
Peoria, IL 61605

Celebration of Life

MAY 22. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church
413 W. John H. Gwynn Jr. Avenue
Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



Simons Mortuary - May 21, 2021 at 03:20 PM

JA

“ *Me and Grannie. Missing you so much right now as much as i wish you were at my graduation i'm flesh i know you were there in spirit*
❤️ *RIP*



Ja'Cie Allen - June 23, 2023 at 03:45 AM



“ *Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

CM

“ *Sister Clayton will be greatly missed. She was so thoughtful and had a lot of love to share. Minister Johnny & Sister Carolyn Johnson*

Connie Matthews - May 30, 2021 at 11:03 PM

DG

“ *Ms Evelyn, Never ever forgot me. or my name. She was so sweet and kind to me always smiled and greeted mw with love whenever & wherever she saw me. GOD has gained another ANGEL.. Rest on Ms Evelyn.*

Debbie Gillespie - May 21, 2021 at 08:37 PM

EL

“ *Elaine lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



Elaine - May 21, 2021 at 01:45 PM

ET

“ *Ella Tate-Thompson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



Ella Tate-Thompson - May 20, 2021 at 07:37 PM

ET

“ *I am going to miss you my beautiful sister-n-law. Heaven has gained another angel. Praying for our family.*

Ella Tate-Thompson - May 20, 2021 at 07:37 PM

CB

“ *Clora Bradley purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton.*



Clora Bradley - May 20, 2021 at 11:47 AM

TW

“ *Twila Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



twila williams - May 20, 2021 at 07:16 AM

MS

“ *I worked with Evelyn in SICU at MMCI. It seems forever ago, but what I have found as nurses who work together always have a connection. She contributed much to nursing and help guide many! Blessings and peace to her family🙏 She will be deeply missed.*

Marla Slock - May 19, 2021 at 11:26 PM

RW

“ *Rena Webster-Horton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



Rena Webster-Horton - May 19, 2021 at 10:46 PM

JW

“ Jennifer W lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton



Jennifer W - May 19, 2021 at 09:20 PM

MB

“ Margaret Bryson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton



Margaret Bryson - May 19, 2021 at 07:49 PM

JB

“ I'm Sure Going To Miss Seeing You Post Your Warm Thoughts And Prayers To So Many Families On This Page Ms Evelyn Lee Clayton ❤️. I Was In Awww When I Seen Your Name 🥹. God Takes His Angels Too I Know. RIH You'll Never Be Forgotten. Prayers For The Entire Family 🙏👉❤️

Joanie Brown - May 19, 2021 at 03:49 PM

LC

“ Evelyn & I worked together for years at the Agency on Aging. We became friends and she became my role model. Nothing was off limits to discuss. After her retirement we still communicated. God knows I will miss her dearly. As I'm sure her family will too. May God bless you with strength & encouragement. I pray her memories live on forever.

Letha Cagle - May 19, 2021 at 12:47 PM

OD

My condolences go out to Evelyn's family and her sister Joanne.

- Opal Daniels

Opal Daniels - May 27, 2021 at 12:02 AM

MR

“ *Mattie Risby lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



Mattie Risby - May 19, 2021 at 11:10 AM

CS

“ *Curtis Shumate lit a candle in memory of Ms. Evelyn Lee Clayton*



Curtis Shumate - May 19, 2021 at 06:24 AM

LH

“ *MY GOD I DIDN'T KNOW SHE PASS.SHE IS A VERY SPECIAL LADY,WE USE TO WORK TOGETHER YEARS AGO.SHE WILL TRULY BE MISS MAY GOD WATCH OVER HER AND RIP EVELYN*

Louise Houston - May 18, 2021 at 06:50 PM