



Clara Newman Dowdy

December 11, 1922 - May 19, 2015

Clara Newman Dowdy, 92, of Altavista died Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at her home. She was the wife of the late Fred M. Dowdy.

She was born December 11, 1922 in Campbell County, a daughter of the late Okie Tompkins Newman and Martha Jane Gibson Newman. She was a member of Yellow Branch Baptist Church, a retired nurse at Central Virginia Training Center and served in the Cadet Nurse Corps during WWII.

She is survived by one sister, Marjorie N. Poindexter of Altavista; two nieces, Sue F. Mattox of Altavista and Jane N. Poston of Charleston, SC; three nephews, Kenneth W. Farmer of Virginia Beach, Robert L. Jennings of Altavista and Pete Farmer of Smithfield.

She was preceded in death by a brother, O. T. Newman, Jr.; and two sisters, Virginia N. Farmer and Ora N. Jennings.

A graveside service will be conducted at 2:30 p.m., Friday, May 22, 2015 at Green Hill Cemetery by the Rev. Timothy Wilde.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Yellow Branch Baptist Church, 8395 Wards Rd., Rustburg, VA 24588.

Cemetery Details

Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY **22**. 2:30 PM (ET)

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300 Westwood Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall

LS

“ *Lorrie Saunders lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy*



Lorrie Saunders - May 21, 2015 at 04:58 PM

LS

“ *I worked with Mrs. Dowdy at the Training Center in 1980. It was my first job as a nurse and she was a wonderful influence, as a new nurse she took me under her wing and taught me so much more than I could ever learn in a book or in school. Not only did she teach me many things but she had the sweetest and most caring disposition. I saw her recently at the Cardiology office. I was thrilled to see her after all those years and give he a big hug. It was an honor to know and work with her.*

Lorrie Saunders - May 21, 2015 at 04:54 PM

SF

“ *Such a nice lady. Always thought so much of her.*



Shirley Forloines - May 21, 2015 at 09:31 AM

VC

“ Prayers for the Newman family.



Vicky Creasy - May 21, 2015 at 09:12 AM

SR

“ Sherry Richardson lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Sherry Richardson - May 21, 2015 at 08:14 AM

NR

“ Nancy Roark sent a virtual gift in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Nancy Roark - May 21, 2015 at 06:53 AM

GR

“ Geneieve Rowland lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Geneieve Rowland - May 20, 2015 at 02:29 PM

CH

“ Clara was a special lady and we shared lots of laughs together, it was an honor and a privilege to know her and call her my friend, and I will miss her. Carol. Hacker

Carol Hacker - May 20, 2015 at 11:38 AM

GG

“ Gwen Goggin lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Gwen Goggin - May 20, 2015 at 11:20 AM

PP

“ Pat Puckette lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Pat Puckette - May 20, 2015 at 06:42 AM

BH

“ One of my favorite memories of Clara was her being Dr. Shreve's nurse, along with Katherine M. Farmer..she told me a joke one day while I was there and I've never forgotten it.. "What are the two famous vegetables?".."Lettuce, turnip and peas"...Rest in peace, dear friend...you would never be replaced..



Betty Hunley - May 19, 2015 at 09:21 PM

JC

“ Jeanette Seay Creasy lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Jeanette Seay Creasy - May 19, 2015 at 07:12 PM

BC

“ Butch & Glenna Carr lit a candle in memory of Clara Newman Dowdy



Butch & Glenna Carr - May 19, 2015 at 06:49 PM



“ Clara was wonderful woman. We knew her for nearly 16 years. She brought a lot of joy to our family ,especially our son Dakota who loved her very much and whom she loved very much . We will never forget her . she will always be in our hearts. We will never forget the times after caroling at her house what a fuss she made to make us cocoa and snacks. Good times and how she lit up at spoiling us this way, that was our Clara. our deepest condolences to her family and we pray that you would be comforted at this time .Until we meet again Clara we love, you pastor Tim, Diane , Dakota and Anna.



Diane Wilde - May 19, 2015 at 05:32 PM