



Clara Dare Caldwell Baker

November 7, 1922 - October 25, 2011

Clara Dare Caldwell Baker, 88, of Salisbury died Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at Rowan Regional Medical Center.

Born November 7, 1922 in Buncombe County, she spent most of her adult life in Charleston, SC and most recently in Salisbury. She was the daughter of the late Jerry and Margaret Dare Caldwell.

She was educated in the Buncombe County and Enka, NC schools and was a homemaker.

Clara was the youngest of 8 children and she was preceded in death by her brothers and sister.

Clara was a member of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Charleston, SC.

In addition to her parents and siblings, she was preceded in death by her son, Jerry Thomas Baker in 2005 at the age of 62.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband, Thomas Francis Baker whom she married November 2, 1941 and would have celebrated their 70 anniversary next week;

son, Donald F. Baker and wife Susan of Clearwater, FL; daughter-in-law, Judi D. Baker of Burlington, NC; grandchildren, Tom Baker of Columbia, SC, Lisa Baker Clark and husband Bill of Salisbury, NC, Donald Baker, Jr. and wife Dawn of Chesapeake, VA, Anthony K. Baker of Fredericksburg, VA, Daniel Baker of Mebane, NC; great-grandchildren, Lauren Baker Collins, William Thomas Clark, Joseph Luke Clark, Caroline Louise Clark, Cody James Baker.

A Prayer Liturgy will be conducted 10:30 AM – Saturday (Oct. 29) at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. Benjamin Roberts, officiating.

The family will receive friends at the church immediately following the service.

Memorials may be made to Sacred Heart Catholic School, 385 Lumen Christi Dr., Salisbury, NC 28147

Tribute Wall



“ Tom, Judy, and family members,

Both my brother Bill and I want to express our condolences upon learning of Clara's passing last week. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during these days.

Clara and Tom were really good neighbors when they moved on Bland Boulevard in Burlington for those years. Our parents really enjoyed Clara and Tom during those years they lived beside us.

Clara and Tom were just a special couple that shared life and love with each other and also to those with whom they met.

Clara often spoke to us about the grandchildren and great-grandchildren letting us know about what new adventures and life experiences they were having.

Clara shared her birthdate of November 7th with our mother, Aileen, but Mom was one year older than Clara; Mom and Dad were married for 60 years when Mom passed from us in December of 1999 at the age of 78. Dad passed away last May 31st at the age of 95.

Please note that we will continue to cherish the memories of the Baker's on Bland Boulevard until our time on Earth is complete.

Remembering you all,

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