



## Irene Ketchie Parker Clark

May 1, 1931 - February 1, 2018

Irene Ketchie Parker Clark, 86 of the Churchland Community went to be with her Lord on Thursday (Feb. 1) at her residence.

Born May 1, 1931 in Wehadkee, AL, she was the daughter of the late Claude and Mary Middlebrooks Ketchie.

Mrs. Clark graduated from Spencer High School where she was Valedictorian for the Class of 1949.

She was employed by R. W. Normans of Salisbury before retiring.

Mrs. Clark was a member of Yadkin United Church and was known for the cookies she baked.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Ned Ingram Parker, Jr. on March 24, 1972, her second husband, W. P. "Bill" Clark on January 13, 1994, her sister, Betty Brinkley and her brother, Frank Ketchie.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Don Parker and wife Diana of Tyro, Trudy Hassenplug and husband Bill of Wesley Chapel and Bryan Parker and wife Janice of Gastonia; grandchildren, Dan Hurd and wife Jessica, Ned Hurd and wife Nicole, Neal Parker, Graham Parker and fiancé

Megan Klein, Byron Parker, Mary Parker and Ben Parker; great-grandchildren, Alexis Hurd Blankenship and husband Caleb, Savannah Hurd and significant other Nolan Crooks, Kayla Hurd and Nathan Hurd.

The family will receive friends from 1-2 PM Monday (Feb 5) at the Summersett Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 PM Monday (Feb 5) at the Summersett Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Joe Barbee and Rev. Vickie Hughes officiating. Interment will follow at Rowan Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Rowan Hospice and Palliative Care, 720 Grove Street, Salisbury, NC 28144 or Yadkin United Church.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Clark family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 633-2111  
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

## Service

FEB 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall



“ Summersett Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Irene Ketchie Parker Clark



Summersett Funeral Home and Cremation Center - February 05, 2018 at 09:02 AM

TK

“ Trudy, You were always my best friend growing up. I lost you when I got married. I am so sorry for your loss. Please accept my condolences with deepest sympathy Terrie Julian Koontz.

Terrie J. Koontz - February 07, 2018 at 04:39 PM

TC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with this special Family for their loss of a precious family member. In the days ahead I pray for peace and Gods love. She may be gone from site but for Geber in your hearts ❤️ With love from the entire Crooks family



Tanya Crooks - February 06, 2018 at 07:04 AM

CH

“ *Bryan and Janice,*

*We are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking and praying for you and your family during this time. I know she was a very, very special lady and will be greatly missed.*

*Much love,  
Carly and everyone here at Sharp Advisors*

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**Carly Hensley** - February 05, 2018 at 11:03 AM

JT

“ *Jerome And Nancy Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Irene Ketchie Parker Clark*



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**Jerome and Nancy Thomas** - February 04, 2018 at 08:25 PM

JT

“ *Thank you Grandma for all the caring, loving, and thoughtfulness you spread. We loved you too, Trudy, we are so sorry for your loss. I know you are taking this hard as close as you and your mother were. Both of us, Jerome and I, have always felt like family and loved you all more than you know. God needed another angel, 🙏 she will be watching and waiting on all her family when the time comes. RIP dear Great Grandma.*

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**Jerome and Nancy Thomas** - February 04, 2018 at 08:23 PM

FD

“ *Don, Trudy, Brian and families*  
*So sorry to hear about your mom. I have wonderful memories of spending time with you in the summer and all the fun, crazy times we had.*  
*I remember Irene making donuts from canned biscuits with a powered sugar glaze. I thought they were amazing, and probably ate too many!*  
*She always had a big smile and a giving heart.*  
*Love and peace,*  
*Freida*

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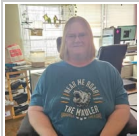
**fredida donohue** - February 04, 2018 at 05:56 PM

MA

*Don, Trudy, Bryan and families. Your Mom holds a special place in my heart remembering the times we spent together! She was an amazing cook and I remember her making French fries like no one else! She will be missed. Love to all. Martha*

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**Martha Austin** - February 05, 2018 at 10:32 AM



“ *Irene will remain in our hearts forever, and will always be with us at Christmas with the ornaments she made us every year since we were little kids and the best Christmas cookies.*  
*Ginger, Brent, Melissa, Sarah, Leo and Zach*



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**Ginger Hassenplug Sheppey** - February 04, 2018 at 03:54 PM

GZ

“ *Ginger, Brent, Melissa, Sarah, Leo and Zach purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Irene Ketchie Parker Clark.*



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**Ginger, Brent, Melissa, Sarah, Leo and Zach** - February 04, 2018 at 03:48 PM

FD

“ *Dear Don, Trudy, Brian and families*

*So sorry to hear about your mom. I have wonderful memories of visiting you in the summer and all the crazy fun we had. I remember Irene used to make donuts from canned biscuits, and would put a powered sugar glaze on them. I thought they were amazing, and probably ate way too many than I should! She always had a wonderful smile and a giving nature.*

*Peace and love  
Freida*

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**freida donohue** - February 04, 2018 at 10:53 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Irene Ketchie Parker Clark.*



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February 03, 2018 at 04:51 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Irene Ketchie Parker Clark.*



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February 03, 2018 at 11:51 AM



“ *To the family: Our deepest sympathy goes to the entire family. We were next door neighbors with Bill and Irene for about 17 years. She was always such a pleasure to be around and I know she will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time.*

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**Tommy & Rossilea Wrenn** - February 03, 2018 at 11:02 AM



“ *She always thought of others; Sharing her joy by baking thousands of Christmas cookies and decorations for all her family and loved ones. I didn't know her well but through my children, I know she was so loving, giving and kind. Now she is with her Lord and Savior. I know she will be terribly missed!*

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**Gail Rollins** - February 03, 2018 at 09:40 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Irene Ketchie Parker Clark.*



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February 02, 2018 at 05:34 PM