



Mary Nisbit Clark

January 3, 1934 - December 9, 2022

Mary Nisbit Clark, age 88, of Kankakee passed away Friday, December 9, 2022 at her home. She was born January 3, 1934 in Prestonpans, Scotland, the daughter of Thomas N. & Isabella (McFarlane Wilkey) Paton.

She married George Clark on August 1, 1954 in Du Quoin, IL. He preceded her in death on September 19, 2012.

Mary graduated top of her class in 1976 from Kankakee Community College in the Registered Nursing Program. She worked as an RN at Riverside, retiring after 35 years of service in 2009. Mary was known as the IV Queen and was called in to help on many tough Pediatric IV's. She stayed strong and independent into her later years. Mary enjoyed sewing, knitting, and crocheting. She loved animals and taking care of animals in need any way she could. Mary always cared for guests and anyone who visited her was treated to tea and breakfast before any work or business was done. She loved hosting and cooking for the holidays. Her Millionaire Salad was a huge hit every year.

Surviving are one son, Gary Clark of Sugar Grove; three daughters, Samantha (Shane) Zazubek of Chicago, Kelly Clark (Nik Kukic) of Chicago, and Sarah Crese of Tulsa, OK; one sister, Jessie Boissiere of Seaford, England; one sister-in-law, Barbara Paton of Port Seton, Scotland; two

brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Don (Paulette) Clark of Manteno and Marietta (Bill) Hottensen; three grandchildren, Ethan, Emma Rose, and Dillon; two step-grandchildren, Mikhail and Tatiana; one great-grandchild, Maxwell; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her husband, George Clark, Mary is preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Thomas Paton and David Paton.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the time of the noon funeral service on Saturday, December 17, 2022 at Schreffler Funeral Home in Kankakee.

Cremation rites will be accorded following the services.

Memorials may be made to Kankakee County Humane Foundation or any feral cat charities that are local.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2421
<https://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC 17. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Nisbit Clark*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *I worked with Mary at Riverside for many years, she was a wonderful person, & an awesome nurse. Rest in peace, Mary.. 🙏*



Barbara Dams - January 01, 2023 at 05:46 AM



“ *Memories - Peaceful Reflections Marker was purchased for the family of Mary Nisbit Clark.*



December 20, 2022 at 11:05 AM



“ *Auntie Mary was such a generous, warm & kind woman. I remember we visited her in 1995, I was 11. We had such a wonderful trip and I have lots of memories. You'll be greatly missed, Bec, Bryce, Sienna & Oscar Murphy x*

Rebecca Murphy - December 19, 2022 at 05:10 AM

MW

“ Mrs. Clark was a great lady. I always enjoyed her sense of humor, and I admired her strength and wisdom. She was a talented nurse and a benefactor to homeless cats and leaves behind a wonderful legacy. She will be sorely missed.



Mary Werner - December 16, 2022 at 10:57 AM



“ Anisa Landrum lit a candle in memory of Mary Nisbit Clark



Anisa Landrum - December 15, 2022 at 01:26 PM

MT

“ Mrs. Clark and I were around each other only a few times. We had a lot in common. Gary was our conduit for our musings. She was even thoughtful enough to send me a care package when I was working on my dissertation. A very thoughtful woman who endured some heartbreaks that few people will ever understand. And....does she or does she not.....look like Katherine Hepburn in this photo!!

Melinda Tejada - December 15, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ Though we only met briefly, I always felt like I knew her through her son, Gary's stories and memories. She was a wonderful woman and had a beautiful family.

Aaron Lawler - December 14, 2022 at 07:53 AM

KZ

“ So sorry for the loss of such a wonderful woman.

Krisanna Zusman - December 14, 2022 at 12:15 AM

SZ

“ Such an incredible woman! My heartfelt condolences.

Steve Zusman - December 13, 2022 at 10:56 PM

JV

“ She was a Kind Lady and made me my first baby Blanket 22 years ago! She will be missed!

Jake Vaughn - December 12, 2022 at 08:33 PM

JV

“ She was an amazing woman and always checked up on me! She also made me my first baby blanket 22 years ago! Prayers to you and your family



Jake Vaughn - December 12, 2022 at 08:32 PM

MS

“ I worked with Mary at Riverside from 1979 to 1996. Gary and the girls you have my sympathy. She was always smiling and was a lovely person to work with.



Mary Ann Senesac - December 12, 2022 at 03:52 PM