



Stella W. D. Clarke Stultz

June 7, 1925 - March 5, 2020

Bluefield, WV- Stella W. D. Stultz, age 94, of Bluefield, WV, passed away Thursday March 5, 2020 at Mercer Nursing Home.

Born June 7, 1925 at Mistley, Essex England. She was the daughter of the late James W. Clarke and Katie Therza Scurrill Clarke.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Major Bailey Griggs Stultz, Jr. Stella met Bailey during WWII while he was stationed in England. Stella was one of ten children. She married and sailed to America with her husband to start a new life.

Survivors include four children, Robert C. Stultz (Darlene), Betty Jo Stultz-Gomez (John), Katie Louise Melara (Louis), Brian Griggs Stultz (Melanie); grandchildren, Chad Stultz, Josh Stultz, Aaron Gilliam, Kristie Gilliam, Ashley Jo Melara, Kelly Louise Henderson, Brian Ashton Stultz, Louis Melara, Jr., and Jenny Stultz Perdue; one brother, Clive Brian Clarke; and ten great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Autism Training Center, Marshall University, One John Marshall Drive, Attn: Dr. Marc Ellison, Huntington, WV 25755, in honor of Stella Stultz and her love and deep devotion to her grandson, Louis Melara, Jr.

The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Monday March 9, 2020 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. A funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with The Reverend Chad Slater officiating. Burial will follow at Monte Vista Park Cemetery where Chad Stultz, Josh Stultz, Ashton Stultz, Aaron Gilliam, Kirk

DeHaan, and Jason Perdue will serve as pallbearers.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Stella W. D. Stultz.

Cemetery Details

Monte Vista Park Cemetery

Bluefield, WV 24701

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel
1231 West Cumberland Road
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

MAR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stella W. D. Clarke Stultz*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM

KI

“ Although we were far apart in miles Auntie Stella was never far from our hearts.

"I have such special memories of this wonderful lady right back from my childhood until now - Stella was more than an Auntie to me, she was a dear friend. Whether reminiscing about 'the old days' or sharing a joke, conversations with Auntie were a breath of fresh air. She was so loving and kind and always so interested to hear the news from her english home and family. I will miss her."

Auntie Stella was a name and person we associated with love and fun – often hearing tales and memories shared by our Mum and by Uncle Graham, of happy times they spent with her. And though it was not often enough, every time we happened to meet or speak she was so kind – as though she was our own Grandma.

"We still speak of the of the happy time we had with you all when we visited with Graham back in the 90's. And I will never forget the time Auntie Stella visited Nanna Clarke with Bailey and Bobby – they took me for a ride in a huge American Cadillac leaned over her seat and said "David, would you like a stick?" – I I had no idea what she meant but they soon taught me how to 'chew gum'!"

We all agree that the song that Bailey used to sing to Nanna Clarke seems to fit Stella so well too - "You are my Sunshine!".

And to you, her own family, who have inherited her generous loving ways and welcome your english relatives and friends so warmly whenever the opportunity arises - we send our love and thoughts to you all at this sad time, whilst remembering the happy times we spent together with her and that we hope to continue to share with you.

*Our love always,
Ann, David & Pat and family, Kim, Adele & David and family, Sarah & Martin xxx*

Kim - March 11, 2020 at 06:16 AM

BC

“ *Balinda C. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Stella W. D. Clarke Stultz.*



Balinda C. - March 09, 2020 at 10:50 AM

GS

“ *Brian, Melanie, and family. So sorry for your loss. I remember your mom from our time as friends in elementary school and remember how sweet and funny she was. Such fond memories. I pray you are comforted by family and by the peace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, during this difficult time. Gary Spry*

Gary Spry - March 08, 2020 at 08:57 PM

JS

“ *Sending you all our love and hugs.*

Stella was such a kind, caring and special lady.

We remember our visits to the US and her trips back to the UK and cherish those memories.

An amazing lady who holds a special place in our hearts and who Graham adored.

All our love Julie and family x

Julie Smith - March 08, 2020 at 03:58 PM

MW

“ Mrs. Stultz and her family were my neighbors growing up in Bluefield. What memories I have of this sweet lady, always smiling and gracious. She was so welcoming through the years as even my children came to her side door for visits! Love and prayers to all the family. Myra Alley Wood

Myra Alley Wood - March 07, 2020 at 07:17 PM

BG

“ Dear Mum....

Our Lord took you to rest and be in peace because our angel didn't deserve to struggle anymore.

We were very blessed to have you in our life for so many years and for that we will be forever grateful .

I will miss you beyond words and will ALWAYS remember our special times together growing up and also our times in Florida for many months every year.

I know you will always be around me and forever in my heart...

Mum...I LOVE YOU.

Your daughter, Betty Jo

Betty Gomez - March 07, 2020 at 05:47 PM

SR

“ Deepest sympathy to you all, Stella was such a lovely lady and loved speaking to her on the phone as adored her American accent, sending lots of love from your family in England. Shelley, glen and Stella's brother Clive. ❤️

shelley reynolds - March 07, 2020 at 05:28 PM

JG

“ I have multiple memories with "Mum" as we called her.

She was my dear and wonderful mother-in-law, the mother of my lovely wife Betty Jo.

When I first met Mum I saw what a wonderful lady she was.

I have many memories with you.....

I remember the wonderful times we spend together in our trips to England, to the Florida Keys, in the "country house" and in my house in Florida seating by the pool many times with family members.

Mum you were like a second mother to me and you always treated me like your son.

God bless you Mum and may you rest in peace.

I will miss you dearly and you will always be in my heart.

Love you, John Gomez

John Gomez - March 07, 2020 at 05:23 PM