



Clara Doughtie

July 30, 1918 - May 24, 2014

Clara Walker Doughtie was born July 30, 1918 in the community of West Sandy, Texas and went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, May 20, 2014. Clara and her husband, like many, moved from their beloved childhood community of West Sandy to the Houston area where work was plentiful. It was there that they live and raised their family until Aubrey's retirement from Shell Oil in 1972. It was then that they returned to the West Sandy community and built their home in the very place that would remind us often that it was the very spot her dad and "us kids" would grow sugar cane crops, the very place which now looks out over a beautiful lake and her childhood home across the road. There they found joy and took great pride in the plentiful garden they grew each year, family gatherings, friends over for a friendly game of "42", ice cream socials and Sundays worshipping with those friends and family members. Whenever the opportunity presented itself, she was ready and happy to share Christ. She is preceded in death by her son-in-law, Joe Gray, parents, Jesse & Lettie Walker, husband Aubrey Clayton Doughtie, son James Clayton Doughtie, sisters, Celeta "Boots" Walker, Naomi Morris, brother Doyle Walker, and granddaughter, Amy Ellington. She is survived by her sister, Margaret Walker-White and husband Bobby of Lovelady, daughter Mary Nell Gray of West Sandy; grandchildren, Joseph Kevin Gray and wife Sherry of Huntsville, Nancy Karryl Gajan and husband Preston of Conroe, Terri Frances Putnam and husband Royal of Montgomery; great-grandchildren Joey Gray Petty, Officer 3rd Class and wife Elissa serving in the Navy in

Norfolk, Virginia; Mark Gray and wife Andrea of Huntsville; Lauren McCain of Dallas; Danielle Pretzer of Corpus Christi, Texas; Emily Elliott and husband Josh of Huntsville, Justin Lewis of Huntsville; Baillie Pretzer of Conroe; Garrett Putnam of Montgomery, Texas; Chris Lewis of Huntsville; JJ Lewis of Houston; Nathan Kitchen of Conroe; Tres Gajan Petty, Officer 1st Class serving in the Navy at Kingsbay, Georgia, and Amanda Gajan of Bradenton, Florida; great-great grandchildren Payge Gray of Huntsville and Solomon Gray of Norfolk, Virginia and expected great-great grandson Sampsyn Gray, due in the fall, along with many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews that still live in Walker County and surrounding areas. Clara was a dedicated Mother, Grandmother, Sister, Aunt and friend to many and it will be difficult to think of the West Sandy Community without thinking of the many stories told and the many capacities in which she fulfilled. Clara and her late husband, Aubrey, were dedicated members of their childhood community and played a major role in securing land in which to begin what is now Westway Baptist Church. It was her biggest joy to serve her Lord and Savior in any capacity possible as long as her health permitted. She taught Sunday School for many years along with volunteering her services to Vacation Bible School each summer. When her health began to fail and she was no longer able to attend church, she continued to be faithful in her giving through tithes and offerings, but even in poor health, she never missed a opportunity to share the gospel of Christ with others. The family would like to thank Sheryl Ellisor and her family for the care and love they provided our mother and our grandmother, during the last year of her life. They provided a home-like environment in which we knew she would be most comfortable and content. She enjoyed the many visits from Sheryl's young grandchildren as though they were her own, bringing to her smiles and laughter as they sat and visited with her the many times they came to visit their own grandparents. As Clara attended the San Jacinto School in West Sandy, the family is requesting that in lieu of flowers, please make donations to the "Old School House" West Sandy Community Association, P.O. Box 8942, Huntsville, Texas 77342-0016. The family will

receive friends Friday, May 23, 2014 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Services will be held Saturday, May 24, 2014 at 3:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville with interment to follow at Ferris Cemetery in Huntsville, Texas. Memorial condolences may be made to the family online at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Clara Doughtie*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Mary Nell, I'm so sorry to hear of your mom's death. She was a wonderful person. She was so sweet to me when I lived up there. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Agnes Cloud - May 28, 2014 at 06:20 PM



“ *Our prayers and love are with you as you go through this painful time. May you feel Jesus presents as never before. Please call if there is anything we can do. God's richest blessings now and throughout time, until His return, Steve & Marian*

Steve & Marian McMillian - May 24, 2014 at 12:45 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with each of you. Sorry for your loss. Deepest sympathies.*

Bridgette Neeley Clay - May 23, 2014 at 11:40 PM



“ *We send our Sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you in the days and weeks ahead*

Doris Garrett - Pete & Bette Garrett - May 23, 2014 at 03:39 PM

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“ TO ALL THE GRAY FAMILY, WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR LOVED ONE, MAY GOD TAKE YOU WITH HIS LOVING ARMS AND CARESS THE LOVE THAT YOU ARE NEEDED AT THIS HARDSHIP PARTING AWAY FROM A LOVED ONE, MAY GOD BLESS YOUR FAMILIES AND BE WITH YOU FOREVER... THE HAMMONS FAMILY MIKE, BONNIE, CHANEL MAYBIN AND FAMILY, LaNIECEY YORK, BUBBA LEWIS AND FAMILY

HAMMONS FAMILY - May 22, 2014 at 06:27 PM

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“ *Mary Nell,*

My heart is breaking for you, my dear friend. Having just gone through this myself with Daddy, I know how you must be feeling. May the Lord hold and comfort you through this time. But find peace in knowing she is at true peaceful rest in the presence of Jesus and you will see her again. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of your dear family.

We love you,

Annette and Devon

Annette Clowers-Olivier - May 22, 2014 at 01:01 PM

GG

“ *Mary, we are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you and your family. May God bless you and your family.*

Gary and Jan Griffith - May 22, 2014 at 10:38 AM

JV

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time. May the Lord embrace you and give you peace. God Bless You and Yours All of Your Days.

James & Nicole Venette - May 22, 2014 at 08:35 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathies from all of us to you all.

May God Bless each of you

Earl, Sherry Carter and family

Earl and Sherry Carter - May 21, 2014 at 10:24 PM