



Clois Laverne Hibbetts Sanders

May 17, 2014

Sanders, Clois Laverne Hibbetts

On May 17, 2014, a beautiful light went out in Albuquerque. That's the day Clois Laverne Sanders, 91, went to her heavenly home. Clois was born in Winters, Texas to James Marshall and Mary Eber "Mollie" Virden Hibbetts on November 10, 1922. She was their third child. She graduated from Robstown High School. Clois and Maynard "Lucky" Sanders were married at First United Methodist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas on November 26, 1943. While Lucky was in the Marine Corps, the Sanders family made their home in Corpus Christi, Texas, where their first son, Jim, was born. After Lucky's discharge the family moved to Lewiston, Idaho where son, Jerry, was born. In 1948, the Sanders family moved to Albuquerque. During Lucky's employment, the family made their home in Killeen, Texas, then to Williamsburg, Virginia where sons, John and Joe, were born and then to Spokane, Washington. In 1959, the family moved back to Albuquerque where Clois lived out her life. Mrs. Sanders is survived by her sons: James Sanders of Denver, Colorado, John Sanders and wife, Wanda of Dumas, Texas, and Joe Sanders and wife, Jude of Littleton, Colorado; grandchildren Keith Sanders of Denver, Colorado, Jeremy Sanders and wife, Ashley of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Aaron Sanders of Albuquerque, Ryan Sanders and wife, Heather of Carrollton, Texas, Jordan Sanders of Abilene, Texas and Brenda Parsons and husband, Josh of Littleton, Colorado; eight great-grandchildren; one step-great-grandchild; and numerous nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by her husband,

Maynard "Lucky" Sanders; sons Jerry Sanders; her parents, James Marshall and Mary Eber "Mollie" Virden Hibbetts; brothers, Jim Hibbetts and Joseph Clinton Hibbetts. She was a longtime member at St. John's United Methodist Church. She and Lucky Sanders were active in the United Methodist Conference as alternate delegates. Clois was active in the United Methodist Women, having served in the many capacities of service. In October 1980, she was elected to President of the United Methodist Women's New Mexico Conference. In 1984, Clois served as a delegate to the Jurisdictional conference and helped elect the new bishops. She was active in the Adult Choir, as well as many ensemble groups. A highlight of her life was singing with the choir at Carnegie Hall. She played in many bridge groups until just a few years ago.

Clois lived by Philippians 4:13 which says, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." This is Paul's letter to the Philippians. She loved music all her life and made all her sons take piano and other music lessons, whether they wanted to or not. All of her sons loved music and two of them became very good musicians. She loved playing bridge, traveling and adored all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved talking to each one and being involved in their lives. Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 22, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at FRENCH – Lomas. Funeral services will be held on Friday, May 23, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., St. John's United Methodist Church, 2626 Arizona SE. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park, 924 Menaul Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. John's United Methodist Church or Manzano Del Sol, 5201 Roma NE, Albuquerque, NM, 87108. The family wishes to thank Manzano Del Sol and AmberCare for their love and care of Clois during her years at Manzano Del Sol.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Park

924 Menaul Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87107
(505) 345-3536
info@sunset-memorial.com
<https://www.sunset-memorial.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

FRENCH Funerals - Cremations (Lomas)
10500 Lomas Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87112
(505) 275-3500
<https://www.FrenchFunerals.com>

Funeral Service

MAY **23**. 11:00 AM (MT)

St. John's United Methodist Church
2626 Arizona St. NE
Albuquerque, NM

Tribute Wall

SE

“ Clois was a dear friend to us at St. John's United Methodist Church. We remember especially her friendship with my late mother, Dena Eagan. We appreciated so much her leadership in our church activities. Condolences to the Sanders Family.

Steve and Debbie Eagan

Steve and Debbie Eagan - May 28, 2014 at 08:16 AM

BJ

“ To Clois Sanders Familys
I want to send you all my condolences and my sympathy to all of you. Louise Feerer and me Ben Feerer, were so blessed to have Clois as a close friend.

Ben Feerer. Jr/ - May 25, 2014 at 01:57 PM

IB

“ To all the Sanders Families: My thoughts will be with you tomorrow. I have many happy memories of times spent with Maynard, Clois and Family in their home in Albuquerque, on a tour of Carlsbad Caverns; two weeks with Clois in Costa Rica; two Family Reunions in Las Vega and one in Weyburn, Saskatchewan. Love, Cousin Isabelle in Weyburn.

Isabelle Butters - May 22, 2014 at 10:46 PM

WO

“ *Condolences to the Family. She was a wonderful person!
I am Lucky's cousin. We live in Winnipeg MB. I grew up @ Weyburn
Sk.*

*We have many happy memories of Clois & Lucky. Both in their
home & ours . In 1957 Al & I played our first game of Bridge under
their patient instruction. Now I am an Ardent Bridge player. Clois- I
will have a game for you,*

Love,

Al & Wilma Oliver

wilma oliver - May 22, 2014 at 09:40 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Basket Arrangement was
purchased for the family of Clois Laverne
Hibbetts Sanders.*



May 21, 2014 at 05:51 PM

SA

“ *To all the Sanders As you know, Clois was a great lady. We shared
some good times when she went on a couple of trips with Isabelle,
Doug and I. I know she will be missed by all of you and her church
family. She must have been a real inspiration there with her music
and leadership skills. We enjoyed Maynard so much, the few times
we met. I found it hard to believe that he had been gone for so
many years.*

*Sincere sympathy from one of your Canadian Cousins -Shirley
Aston*

Shirley Aston - May 20, 2014 at 06:10 PM

JL

“ *What wonderful and fond memories we have of Clois. She and Lucky were the very first people to welcome us to St. Pauls the summer of 1964. We had the pleasure of knowing and socializing with them over the years. It gives us comfort to know that Clois is in the loving arms of Jesus and with her loved ones who have gone before. She was indeed a very special person.*
Jerry and JoAnn Long

Jerry and JoAnn Long - May 20, 2014 at 04:55 PM

BN

“ *Clois was a dedicated Christian woman with wonderful gifts of music and leadership. She Encouraged young women and was always welcoming. Memories of her will be always in my heart.*
Betty Jo Nye

Betty Jo Nye - May 20, 2014 at 11:17 AM

JB

“ *Dear Jeremy, Aaron, Joe and Family*
We are blessed with many memories of Clois through our years of friendship with the Sanders family. She and your grandfather gave us the privilege to spend time at their home and enjoyed seeing our children grow up with you boys. She even kept in contact with us after we moved from Albuquerque to Iowa and gave us her blessing on our new adventure starting our retirement. Thank you for sharing her with us. God truly gave us a wonderful lady. Love, Jerry and Judy Barker

Jerry and Judy Barker - May 20, 2014 at 11:11 AM

KD

“ *On behalf of the FRENCH Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.*

Kirbye Davis - May 19, 2014 at 03:10 PM