



## Clara Dean Singleton Farmer

May 6, 1937 - June 11, 2020

Clara Dean Singleton Farmer, 83, formerly of 119 Mellon Street, Slater, SC passed away on June 11, 2020 at Macon Valley Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Franklin, NC. She was married to the late Billy Landrum Farmer for 54 years and was mother of two, although her loving influence also earned her the title of “Granny Dean” to countless others. Dean was known for her passion for growing beautiful flowers that she graciously shared, creating crafts of artful displays and seasonal decorations, beanie baby hopping, collecting antiques, and singing her old-time favorite songs where she could still recall every word. She had a deep love for her family and friends. Her most precious attributes were her generous heart and caring ways. She showered kindness on all around her and most recently you would find her on the gray hall snuggling with “Michael” where she loved to visit with friends, sometimes caught up in memories of her loved ones and days gone by.

Born in Dascusville, SC near Peter’s Creek, she was the youngest daughter of the late Hovey Byard and Edna Foster Singleton. A textile weaver by trade, she was retired from the JP Stevens Slater Plant and was a member of Slater Baptist Church where she was fondly remembered as a children’s Sunday School teacher and a woman of strong Christian faith. She adored her long-time neighbors and friends in the mill village and greater Slater community, especially her adopted mother, Granny Daniel.

Surviving is her daughter: Theresa Farmer Ramsey (husband Joseph) of Franklin, NC; granddaughter: Kaila Dean Ramsey Garza (husband Matt and son, Levi) of Washington, DC; grandson: Matthew Lyle Ramsey (wife Brittany and two daughters, Lilly and Emma) of Hoschton, GA; grandson: William Michael Ables of Pickens, SC; two sister-in-laws: Alice Singleton (David) and Almeda Singleton (HB); and many loving nieces and nephews. Her favorite people called her Nana.

She was predeceased by her son: William Michael Farmer of Greenville, SC; and nine siblings: Elizabeth Katherine "Kat" Friddle (J Roy), James Edward "Ed" Singleton (Jessie), Mary Helen Raines (Carl), John Henry Singleton (Sarah/Carrie), Myrtle Lee Singleton, Edna Faye Poole (Carlos), Minnie Eloise Bryant (Edgar), Hovey Byard HB "Buck" Singleton, Jr. and William David Singleton (Linda). The Singleton clan was known for their hospitality, a close-knit group that treasured family reunions and gatherings.

Dean's family wishes to express a heartfelt thank you to her "second family" for their loving care – the staff at Macon Valley – and we appreciate the support from Four Seasons Hospice during her final days. We will be forever grateful to her wonderful friend and caregiver – Louetta Smith. Visit [thehowzemortuary.com](http://thehowzemortuary.com) to view photos and more information. The family will share details for a "Celebration of Life Service" to be held at a later date. Donations in her memory may be made to Slater Baptist Church, PO Box 243, Slater, SC 29683 or we invite you to simply embrace the beauty of flowers around you and think of her. To share your favorite memory of Dean or send expressions of sympathy, please mail to: The Family of Dean Farmer, c/o Theresa Ramsey, 2547 Leatherman Gap Road, Franklin, NC 28734.

# Tribute Wall

DN

“ *She was a treasure to us! She always asked where I was going when I left the nursing home to go home. Her smile and laugh always made my day, when days were not going well. Was blessed to have known her all these years at MVNC. Hate I was not able to get back to see her after Mom passed. My heart is with the family at this time*

*Charles & Dottie Nicholson*

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**Dottie Nicholson** - June 17, 2020 at 11:29 PM

TF

“ *She was like my grandmother to me. I always watched out for her and your father when they was here. I loved them both with all my heart, and now they are together again with that wild mother of mine! But heart goes out to you and your family during this time. Love you guys!*

*Tina Rhodes*



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**Tina Rhodes and Family** - June 17, 2020 at 05:32 AM

TR

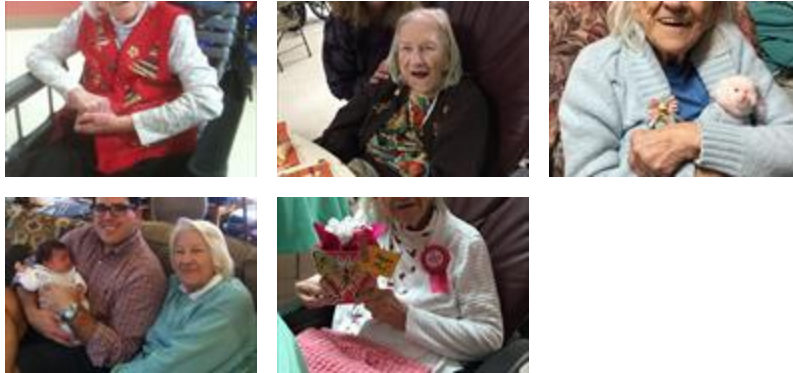
*She loved her Slater family!!*

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**Theresa Ramsey** - June 17, 2020 at 07:25 AM

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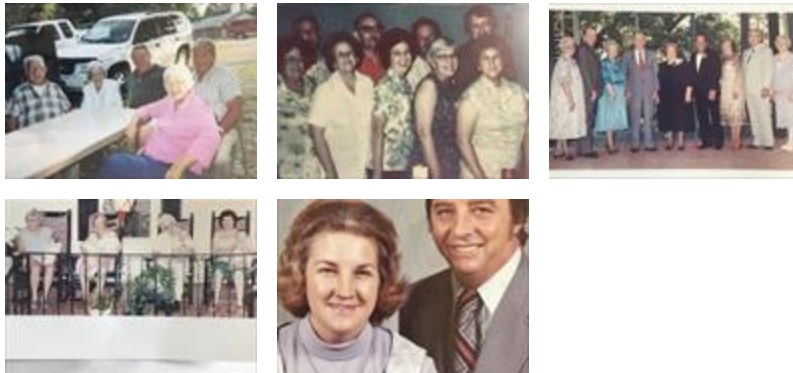
“ 14 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Theresa F Ramsey - June 15, 2020 at 08:21 AM

TR

“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Theresa F Ramsey - June 15, 2020 at 08:13 AM

JC

“ Janet Chandler lit a candle in memory of Clara Dean Singleton Farmer



Janet Chandler - June 13, 2020 at 08:10 PM

DP

“ Theresa, I am sorry for your loss of Dean. She was a sweet lady. I used to enjoy visiting with her and sitting on her front porch. She will be missed.

Daria Pittman - June 13, 2020 at 09:45 AM

TR

You were so sweet to continue to send her cards which I read to her.

Theresa F Ramsey - June 15, 2020 at 08:11 AM

DP

“ Daria Pittman lit a candle in memory of Clara Dean Singleton Farmer



Daria Pittman - June 13, 2020 at 09:40 AM



“ I am so sorry !! Dean was a special lady !!  
You all will be in my thoughts and prayers !!  
Bernice Talley James



Bernice James - June 12, 2020 at 04:03 PM

BF

“ Teresa and family,

*We are saddened to hear of “Dean’s” passing and are sending prayers and our deepest sympathy. We loved her as if she were our own. The Slater Community will miss this sweet lady but she lives on in spirit every time we walk about our yard. A flower blooming in memory of GrannyDean.*

*Bryan and LeAnn Pittman*



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**Bryan and LeAnn Pittman and family** - June 12, 2020 at 03:57 PM

TR

*Thank you!*

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**Theresa Ramsey** - June 17, 2020 at 07:28 AM

AB

“ Dean Was a special friend. Sorry for your loss Teresa. Praying for your family.



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**AnnieMae Blackburn** - June 12, 2020 at 03:39 PM

TR

*Thank you!*

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**Theresa Ramsey** - June 17, 2020 at 07:27 AM

RA

“ *Renee Atkins lit a candle in memory of Clara Dean Singleton Farmer*



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**Renee Atkins** - June 12, 2020 at 03:20 PM

RA

“ *I am sorry for your loss. I did not know her personally but I knew her sister Kat Friddle and Edna Poole. They were precious.*

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**Renee Atkins** - June 12, 2020 at 03:18 PM