



## Clara Burke Ford

January 14, 1924 - December 17, 2018

Clara Beatrice Burke Ford, 94, wife of the late Samuel Jefferson “Joe” Ford, went to be with the Lord on Monday, December 17, 2018 at her daughter’s home.

Born in Huntsville, Alabama, she was the daughter of the late Albert C. Burke and Esther Stewart Burke. Clara was a retired CPA having owned her own bookkeeping business for many years in Travelers Rest. She attended Furman University and was a member of Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church.

Clara is survived by her daughter, Joyce Ford of the home; granddaughter: Stephanie Ford-Lee and her fiancé, Wyck Austin of Simpsonville; niece: Muriel Ford and great nieces: Donna Ford and Linda Ford.

Along with her parents and husband, Clara was predeceased by a son: Steven James Ford.

A memorial service celebrating Clara’s life will be held on Friday, December 21, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at The Howze Mortuary Chapel with Dr. James Pitts officiating.

The family will be at the home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project,  
P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.thehowzemortuary.com](http://www.thehowzemortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

**Private Burial**

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 21. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Tribute Wall

SA

“ So sorry to hear of your mom’s passing. She along with my mother and Patricia Hunt Fisher & Katherine Ledbetter had some wonderful times together.

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**Scott Ayers** - December 31, 2018 at 11:53 PM

SA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Scott Ayers** - December 31, 2018 at 11:51 PM

ST

“ so sorry i just found out about your mom haven't seen you since blyth academy im sure that your caughter is grown as well as mine alex and mic. so much has changed you and stephanie will always be in our prayers if you ever up this way call me at 864-320-8704 i rasing mom she has alzhisimer and a 8 year old great grand daughter call me we'll have lunch love you joyce and so sorry .

*Shirley Buchanan Taff*  
864-320-8704

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**shirley taff** - December 30, 2018 at 10:46 AM



“ 25 files added to the album LifeTributes



The Howze Mortuary - December 20, 2018 at 10:28 AM



“ I have had the privilege of seeing Clara every fri.for almost 24 years at the HairJunction. We have had alot of good talks, especially about her home place in Alabama. She has been a very special person to me,and she will be missed by everyone that works at Hair Junction,and the many Ladies who come to Hair Junction .I will be praying for Joyce and Stephanie

Pam moody - December 20, 2018 at 09:15 AM



“ 32 files added to the album LifeTributes



The Howze Mortuary - December 20, 2018 at 08:21 AM



“ Clara, you lived a full life as a daughter, wife, mother, and grandmother. You had a sharp mind and even sharper sense of humor; I can still hear your laughter ringing out over card games and silly jokes. Though life was not always kind to you, you rarely paid it back with bitterness. Rest well, sweet lady.

Jim Lee - December 19, 2018 at 08:14 PM



“ 19 files added to the album Life Tributes



The Howze Mortuary - December 19, 2018 at 05:14 PM

SF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Stephanie Ford-Lee - December 19, 2018 at 02:43 PM

JJ

“ Dear Joyce and family,  
Our sincere sympathy in your loss of your mom. She was a fine woman with many friends. She faced difficult times with courage and determination. Steve was in Jimmy’s class in school. Clara and Norma’s Aunt, Bobbie Ayers, we’re friends who attended plays and enjoyed a group of local women. May good memories of happy times flood your mind as you face this difficult time.

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**Jimmy & Norma Jones** - December 19, 2018 at 09:36 AM

DP

Dear Joyce and Stephanie, please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. I loved Clara so much. She was a smart amazing woman! I always had nothing but love and respect for her. I love you both.  
Danny Pridmore  
Wixom, MI

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**Danny Pridmore** - December 19, 2018 at 08:25 PM

SC

Dear Joyce and family, we love Clara and missed seeing her. We are so sorry for your loss. She was so sweet and caring. Taking care of our son Rich for 10 yrs which we are blessed to have him with us, keeps us busy. We remember the good times going out to eat with Joe and Clara and the neighborhood, so much fun. We know she will be missed so much. Much love and sympathy!

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**Sherry Cunningham** - January 02, 2019 at 11:20 AM

YF

“ Your Sunland Family purchased the Pretty Pleas  
e for the family of Clara Burke Ford.



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**Your Sunland Family** - December 19, 2018 at 09:13 AM

MC

“ *I'm sorry for your loss. I'm praying for your family.* ”

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**Melissa Cartee** - December 19, 2018 at 09:03 AM