



## Martha Clayton McLaughlin

December 18, 1938 - December 28, 2020

Martha Clayton McLaughlin, 82, beloved wife, mother, grandmother and sister passed away December 28, 2020.

A private graveside service for the family will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Martha was born in Memphis TN on December 18, 1938 to Hubert F and Loraine B Clayton. She graduated from Tiptonville High School as Valedictorian in 1957 and graduated with honors from Murray State University in 1961 with a degree in elementary education.

After teaching at Richland Elementary in Memphis for one year, she married her love, Bill McLaughlin in 1962 and move to Chattanooga TN to join him. She taught school there for ten years. In 1972 she and Bill moved back to Memphis where she taught in Memphis and Shelby County School systems for more than fifteen years. Martha and Bill were married for 58 years and were blessed with two children, Scot and Kimberly.

Martha and Bill are members of Emmanuel United Methodist Church, attending regularly for more than forty-seven years.

She was predeceased by her parents, Hubert and Loraine Clayton. She is survived by her husband, Bill, her son Scot C McLaughlin (Laurel), her daughter Kimberly D Morgan (Greg), granddaughters, Layton and Mabry Pegg.

She is also survived by her siblings, sister Mary Ruth Douglas, brother Dr Paul Clayton (Carolyn), brother Brooks Clayton (Linda), brother Dr John Clayton (Doris), sister Elaine Weatherford and sister Hope Koebbe.

Memorials may be sent to Emmanuel United Methodist Church, 2404 Kirby Road, Memphis TN 38119, The Village Foundation, 7820 Walking Horse Circle, Germantown TN 38138 or the charity of your choice.



# Cemetery

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## **Memorial Park Cemetery**

5668 Poplar Avenue

Memphis, TN, 38119

# Comments

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“ Martha was such a Sweet Person, always a beautiful smile on her face. She was always such a gracious hostess. We got stranded in Memphis many years ago, with a problem with our car. She and Bill were so gracious and invited us to Spend the night with them, while we waited for a part to come by bus for our car. They visited here in Florence, Al in 2015. We enjoyed them so much. She was always petite Martha, with such an Angelic Voice and smile. My condolences and prayers go out to my cousin Bill, Scot, Kim , the Granddaughters, her sisters, brothers and friends.

**Patricia Weaver** - January 25 at 05:41 PM

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“ McLaughlin Family - thinking of all of you during this time. We loved being your neighbors and have fond memories of our neighborhood gatherings on Cedarwood Drive! Martha was an Angel and will be missed. Love to all - Cindy & Gerald Burke

**Cindy Burke** - January 09 at 11:13 PM

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“ I remember staying with Aunt Martha and Uncle Bill while my parents were in London on my 7th birthday. She made me feel so special - that day. Every day. I have such fond memories of her, being in her kitchen, the warmth of her home and of her. I felt at home there, with her. She had that way - adopting you into her love and heart - that way of making you feel loved - knowing you were loved. I carry that with me, always. I will miss her always. My heart goes out to Uncle Bill, Kim, Scot, her beloved grandchildren, and everyone who crossed her path and felt her love. Prayers abound and surround you all. Stephanie Clayton Thompson

**Stephanie Thompson** - January 09 at 09:52 PM

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“ Martha was a beloved teacher at Germantown Elementary . She was kind, Conscientious and exemplified all the traits of a master teacher. She left an undying legacy in the hearts of her students and peers. Marjorie Bradford

**Marjorie Bradford** - January 09 at 08:28 PM

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“ I had the privilege of teaching with Martha at Germantown Elementary. She was an awesome educator - so sweet, kind, caring & thoughtful. Praying for Bill and the rest of her family during this difficult time. She was loved by many. Kay (Odom) Lane

**Kay Lane** - January 09 at 08:13 PM

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“ Mrs. Martha was a kind and sweet person, always had a smile on her face. She will be truly missed. Prayers for the family.  
Bobby and Carolyn Thurmond

**Carolyn Thurmond** - January 09 at 01:22 PM

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“ Such a special lady. I cannot think of acorns without thinking of her. Much love and prayers.



**beth clayton** - January 08 at 07:36 PM