



Freddie Amelia Van Cleave

January 11, 1918 - June 30, 2014

Freddie Amelia Van Cleave, 96 1/2, of Fort Collins, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on June 30, 2014 at a local nursing home. Mrs. Van Cleave was born January 11, 1918 in Carbon County, Wyoming to Ernest and Ruth Ambler Miller. Freddie married William F. Van Cleave on May 23, 1936 in Fort Collins, Colorado. William preceded her in death December 22, 1985. Mrs. Van Cleave was an active member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Fort Collins for over sixty years. She also belonged to the Elks, the Pioneer Association, Mountainview Extension Club, and the Red Hat Society. She enjoyed cooking, and family; calling her home "Freddie's Bistro". Survivors include her sons, Terry Mary Van Cleave of Fort Collins and Colby Sandy Van Cleave of New Raymer; daughter, Wendy Van Cleave of Fort Collins; brother, Gale Miller of Sacramento, California; nine grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. Preceding Freddie in death are her parents; her husband, William; sisters, Irva Mae Newkirk and Jayne Robinson. A Funeral Service will be held at Bohlender Funeral Chapel on Monday at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow at Roselawn Cemetery. Pastor Paul McGraw will officiate the service. Memorial contributions can be made to Pathways Hospice in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive St., Ft. Collins, CO 80524.

Tribute Wall

MH

“ Wendy, So sorry for the loss of Freddie, she is at peace now. We both knew how hard her last year had been. I was on vacation when she passed and never seen an obit until now. I still have the pillow she made me and my bedroom is still those colors that match the pillow. She was so proud that I used those colors. God Bless you

Michele Hanna - January 14, 2015 at 07:39 PM

DD

“ Having become friends with Freddie through both the Lincoln Center & the Pioneer Association, I know how she was involved & how active. My sincere condolences to all the family. class of 1967 PHS. Debbie Dixon

Debbie Dixon - July 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Colby and family. We were so sorry to hear about your Mom. Our thoughts are with you. Larry & Joan

Joan Willford - July 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Dear Wendy, Terry and Colby, I knew your mother through St. Luke's, particularly through St. Mary's Guild. She was a dear lady, and I feel fortunate to have known her. My sincerest condolences for your loss. Beth

Beth Khovaylo - July 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. She will be missed by the Pioneer Association and will be missed by her friends in that organization.

Carolyn and Jane Goodwin - July 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ My condolences to the family; I know how much you will miss her. I will always cherish my wonderful memories of Freddie. With love,
Sue

Sue Houseal-Morgan - July 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THOSE SHE SO LOVED. FREDDIE WAS A WONDERFUL WOMAN, ALWAYS HAPPY, SMILING, THOUGHTFUL AND GRACIOUS TO ALL. SHE WILL BE SURELY MISSED. AUNT FREDDIE WE LOVE YOU.
LARRY KAY AND FAMILY

LARRY AND KAY VAN CLEAVE - July 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ So very sorry for your loss. Freddie was one of the nicest people on earth. Her and Bill were the perfect couple. I will never forget their kindness. She must be joining Bill as an angel in heaven. Grandma VanCleave was just like a wonderful and caring grandmother to me. I'm sure Freddie leaves wonderful memories for all of your family.

Carol Cameron - July 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We shall all miss Freddie so much. She was such a wonderful person, a great character. I loved her stories: how her father named her "Fred" which upset her, so she added the "ie" herself; how, at age 18, she and her boyfriend eloped over the Wyoming border, pursued by the sheriff, sent by her father; how they built the house where they raised their family and spent their entire lives, until she finally decided it was time to go into assisted living; how she loved so much her kids, grandkids and "greats"; how she enjoyed cooking and all her years in CSU food service; how she loved frogs and her motto FROG which meant "Forever or was it Fundamentally? Reliant On God"; her strong faith which inspired us; her passion for needlework which even in her last years gave so many of us pillows and ditty bags; her great love for all her friends which blessed us. We now thank God that she is in Heaven, not only with her husband but also with Minnie Lee Lake and her other precious friends.

Jennifer Bell - July 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM