



Clarence Marie Elkins

November 19, 1921 - March 22, 2022

Clarence Marie Elkins, age 100 of Crystal, Indiana, passed away at 11:52 pm on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at St. Charles Health Campus in Jasper, Indiana.

Clarence Marie was born on her grandparents farm near Hillham on November 19, 1921 to Clarence and Ora (Archer) Wineinger. She married William Henry Elkins on December 1, 1940 at her grandparents' farm. He preceded her in death on January 4, 2007.

Because her father passed away, she spent most of her life growing up on her Wineinger grandparents farm, as well as part of the time with her mother.

Clarence Marie attended school at Hillham, Brush College, Emmons Ridge, Crystal & Cuzco High School. She was a lifelong bookworm. Just a couple of years ago she won \$100 at the Dubois Library for reading books. She encouraged her grandchildren to read, and took them to the bookmobile often.

She was an expert seamstress winning grand champion awards at the fair for her dresses. She sewed many clothes for her daughter and granddaughter as well as for herself. She loved to crochet and designed and crocheted the communion cloth for Crystal Church.

She is a founding member of Crystal Community Church, where she served at

the first secretary and directed the first Christmas program. She taught many classes and served as a music director for the church. As a child, she attended the Hillham and the Crystal hill churches. She sang in the Crystal Choir that traveled southern Indiana. She also sang in the Purdue Extension Choir - Dubois County for several years and also sang in a quartet that traveled for several years.

Clarence Marie was a member of the Village Homemakers Club of Crystal, a girl scout leader, 4H leader & missionary accountant for many years. She and Bill were instrumental in the building of the Crystal Community Club where she served as a secretary.

She was a tour guide for the West Baden Dome, and she lived her life for God and in service to the church and community. Her and Bill were lifelong scholars of the Bible.

She loved visiting with her mom, siblings and the rest of her extended family.

Surviving is one daughter, Diane Elkins Wininger, Crystal, two sons, David Elkins (Marlene), Charleston, SC, and Gordon Elkins (Judy), Crystal, one daughter-in-law Virlee Ziegler-Elkins, Jasper, IN, thirteen grandchildren, Mark Elkins, Susan Thompson, Matt Elkins, Sandra Tweedie, Chad Elkins, Kirstie Lynch, Gina Chanley, Julie Neukam, Jed Elkins, Gavin Elkins, Teffany Howard, Heather Davis, and Clint Wininger, twenty three great grandchildren, twelve great great grandchildren, and two sisters, Marian Ragains, French Lick, and Martha Hall, Crystal.

Preceding her in death beside her husband were two sons, Ron Elkins and Garry Elkins, one brother, Cleo Hall, her parents, and her grandparents, Kinder and Alvertta (Howerton) Wineinger.

Funeral services for Clarence Marie Elkins will be held at 1pm on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at Crystal Community Church in Crystal, Indiana, with burial to follow at the Crystal Community Cemetery. Pastor Mike Stout will officiate.

A visitation will be held from 4 pm until 7 pm on Monday, March 28, 2022 at the Crystal Community Church in Crystal, Indiana and from 11 am until the 1 pm service time at the Church on Tuesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Crystal Community Club or the Crystal Community Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com

Cemetery Details

Crystal Community Cemetery

Crystal, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Crystal Community Church
8014 East State Road 56
Dubois, IN 47527

Visitation

MAR 29. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Crystal Community Church
8014 East State Road 56
Dubois, IN 47527

Service

MAR 29. 1:00 PM (ET)

Crystal Community Church
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Tribute Wall



“ *Clarence Marie Elkins*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss*

todd kempf - March 29, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ *Clarance Marie was one of the very influential and loving ladies who helped shape our childhood in Church while we were young, at the Crystal Community Church...She was a beautiful Christian lady who loved all of us dearly.*

She's singing and laughing and full of joy today in Heaven with Jesus.

What could be better?

Absolutely Nothing!💕💕

Sharon Lagenour Hoskins - March 25, 2022 at 05:13 PM



“ *She was a beautiful lady a Christian who loved to sing her heart out. Shes. Celebrating with Jesus now and family.*

Gwen mcclintock - March 24, 2022 at 12:34 PM



Our heartfelt sympathy for the Elkins family. Sorry for your loss. Had a chance to meet her while visiting Dave at Charleston's First Church of the Nazarene, in Hanahan, South Carolina. She was such a beautiful lady! To Dave, Mark, Susan, Sandra, Lochlyn and the rest of the family, we're sending hugs and prayers. Love you guys!!

Howard & Concordia Scott - March 24, 2022 at 03:55 PM

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“ So sorry for the Elkins family loss. She was such a special lady. Remember her from her trips to Charleston SC. The Lord said “Well done thy good and faithful servant” and that she was My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Gwin Ballard - March 23, 2022 at 10:16 PM

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“ She came to a ladies day out with her daughter Diane. This was at a restaurant in French Lick. She and I always got a lot of laughs., as always! I really liked Clarence Marie! She is with Jesus and having a good time. Mary Flamion

Mary Flamion - March 23, 2022 at 08:41 PM