



Esther Marie McCullar Chapman

July 16, 1948 - March 18, 2024

On March 18, 2024, Mrs. Esther Marie McCullar Chapman, age 75, of Forrest City entered the place she has sang and taught about her entire life, Heaven. She was one of the most steadfast Christians you would ever meet. Even through her many earthly trials and sickness her faith never wavered. Raised in a Pentecostal home, she knew very well the power of the Holy Spirit. She was an avid Sunday school teacher and choir director. She sang with the voice of an angel. The impact she has had, and her legacy will carry on through her family and the countless children and adults she has taught over the years.

Mrs. Chapman was born July 16, 1948 to Rev. John McCullar and Minnie Esther Loftis McCullar in Lonoke, Arkansas.

She spent most of her life in eastern Arkansas where in 1965, she married the love of her life, Bobby A. Chapman after he simply said, "I reckon we gonna get married ain't we?"

She worked several years at Southwestern Bell and later spent most of her career in the local banking industry, finally retiring from Armor Bank in Forrest City.

She was a very active member of the Oak Hill Church of God where, over the years, she taught Sunday school to every age group and was the church choir director for many years.

She leaves to carry on her legacy, one son, Mark Chapman and wife Kathie, of Forrest City, one daughter, Amy Pettus and husband Kendall, of Forrest

City; four grandchildren, Carlton Pettus and wife Jessica, Allison Pettus, Ethan Pettus, and Maddie Chapman; two great-grandchildren, Cayden Weddington and Drew Pettus, all of Forrest City; two brothers, Milton McCullar and wife Sammie and Leroy McCullar; two sisters, Johnnie Parish and Diane Rogers and husband Calvin.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one grandchild, Austin Taylor Chapman.

Visitation with the family will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2024 from 6pm-8pm in the chapel of Stevens Funeral Home in Forrest City.

Funeral services are slated for Friday, March 22, 2024 at 2pm at the Oak Hill Church of God in Forrest City with Bro. Kendall Pettus (870)317-4835 will officiate assisted by Bro. Patrick Tucker.

Burial will follow at Forrest Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to the Oak Hill Church of God, 97 SFC 309 Forrest City, AR 72335.

Cemetery Details

Forrest Park

Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **21**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stevens Funeral Home
220 North Washington
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-5400
info@stevensfuneralhome.net
<https://www.stevensfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Service

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Oak Hill Church of God
97 Oak Hill Rd
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-7331

Interment

MAR **22** (CT)

Forrest Park
Hwy 1 South
Forrest City, AR

Tribute Wall

EH

“ *Elise Hunter lit a candle in memory of Esther Chapman*



Elise Hunter - April 01, 2024 at 08:31 PM

JP

“ *June price lit a candle in memory of Esther Chapman*



June price - March 20, 2024 at 10:03 AM

GL

“ *Gerald & Ruby Loftis purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Esther Marie McCullar Chapman.*



Gerald & Ruby Loftis - March 20, 2024 at 09:20 AM