



Mildred Marie Daniel

September 19, 2019

Mildred Marie Daniel (née Tappan) went home to the Lord Thursday, September 19, 2019, at the age of 93.

Mildred was born August 7, 1926, in Alpena, Michigan, to Martha Bigelow and Walter Tappan. She was the beloved older sister of Walter "Russ" Tappan, Kenneth Tappan, Eileen Thurston, and Patti Bragg.

At the age of 16, Mildred came to know Christ as her Lord and Savior, and her life was forever changed for the better. In 1943, she married the love of her life, William Rudolph Daniel, and together they had one son who she is survived by, William Lee Daniel.

She spent her years writing countless Bible studies, leading vacation Bible school classes, mentoring missionary wives, teaching Sunday school classes for all ages, and serving the church, her community, and God in every aspect of her life. Her study guides are still used today internationally.

Mildred lived a full life traveling across the country, sightseeing with her husband. She was blessed to travel to Israel – as well as many other countries – during her lifetime, and was able to walk the steps that Jesus Christ Himself did. In 1980, they settled in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, where they lived out the rest of their days.

When she wasn't in church, Mildred spent her time baking, gardening, reading Amish fiction, watching the news, writing letters, supporting international missions, playing card and board games, and doting on her grandchildren.

Mildred is survived by her sister, Patti, and her son, William, as well as his wife, Patricia, and several nieces and nephews. She leaves behind three grandchildren – Tricia Kaye Daniel; Dawn Renee Daniel and her husband, Jason; and William Raymond Daniel and his wife, Nicola. She was blessed to have six great-grandchildren: Joshua DiViesta and his wife, Jessica; Jillian Kinzel and her husband, Jason; Kali Beau Daniel; Aric Merly;

Cadin Riley England; and Evie Vaun Smith – and three great-great-grandchildren:
Jackson Kinzel, Norina DiViesta, and Caroline Kinzel.

Visitation will be held Monday, September 23, 2019, at Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, at 1 p.m. Service will follow at 2 p.m. Dr. Kenneth Riggs will be officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Free Will Baptist International Missions Fund for Steve and Becky Riggs.

Arrangements are under the direction of Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 820 South Church St., Murfreesboro, TN 37130. 615-893-2422. Please leave online condolences at www.jenningsandayers.com.

Cemetery

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

5350 NW Broad St
Murfreesboro, TN, 37129

Events

SEP 23 **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home and Cremation
820 South Church Street, Murfreesboro, TN, US,
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SEP 23 **Funeral Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ Mildred was my great aunt, Russ Tappan’s big sister, and the spark of joy in many of our lives. Mildred had a kind heart and a gentle soul. What I loved the most about her was the ability to make anything fun. Her closest friends and family knew that spending time with Mildred meant you were going to laugh and have a good time. I loved that she enjoyed swinging at the playground with her great nieces, even in her 90s!

Mildred loved the Lord with all her heart. She showed that love by doing kind things for others frequently, especially her church family whom she adored. She baked the most delicious pies and made the best chocolate truffle in Tennessee! We are all so lucky to have had her in our lives. I’m so thankful for the time that my family and I got to spend with her and that we knew her so well. We’ll cherish the memories we have with her and we will miss her dearly. We will remember the lessons she taught us about how to live fully and how to love with God’s love. It’s very hard to say goodbye, so instead dear Mildred, I find comfort in knowing that I’ll see you again some day. Much love always, Stephanie, Sally, Alan, Mackenzie and Camryn.

Stephanie Day - September 23, 2019 at 11:01 AM



“ We will miss you dearly. My husband Russ Tappan (Jr) remembers going to visit his Aunt and Uncle as a child and remembers all the models that were built and was impressed. We got to know Mildred better when she lived up north for a time. She was such a help with my in-laws, Russ and Virginia Tappan. After Virginia passes, Mildred went back to Tennessee for a time. She was a good companion for my father-in-law, Russ . They enjoyed doing puzzles, taking walks, and going to church. We all enjoyed having Mildred to our family dinners. She would always offer to make deserts. They were amazing. We would enjoy a good game of scrabble after dinner. We were so blessed to have you in our lives. You will be missed, The Tappan family

Kathy Tappan - September 23, 2019 at 10:28 AM



“ Whenever I read from the NT Book of James, I always think of Ms Mildred. As a teen in the Central Church in Royal Oak, MI, Ms Mildred was one of our many solid Bible teachers. One one occasion, when she was teaching us the Book of James, she challenged us to memorize all five chapters. As an incentive, she said whoever memorized all five chapters would be have a meal at such and such~she named the restaurant but I've long forgotten the name. It was an expensive, fancy, high quality restaurant.

At the time, I was dating Paula Collins. We agreed to accept the challenge. Together, we memorized the Book of James. And true to her word, Ms Mildred and Bill took us to the restaurant one evening.

I'm deeply grateful for the love and study of God's Word she helped to place in my heart. And forever I will always fondly remember Ms Mildred whenever I read the Book of James.

Randy Riggs

Randy Riggs - September 23, 2019 at 10:24 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mildred Marie Daniel.



September 22, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ Nicola Daniel lit a candle in memory of Mildred Marie Daniel



Nicola Daniel - September 21, 2019 at 01:23 PM



“ Love, Jillian, Jason, Jackson and Caroline Kinzel purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mildred Marie Daniel.



Love, Jillian, Jason, Jackson and Caroline Kinzel - September 20, 2019 at 07:02 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mildred Marie Daniel.



September 20, 2019 at 05:43 PM