



Mabel McDaniel (Mansfield)

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Mabel Louise McDaniel, daughter of Horace and Grace Baugher McDaniel, was born on November 26, 1919, in Jonesboro, Indiana. She departed this life in her Mansfield, Missouri, home on Friday, January 6, 2012, at the age of ninety-two years, one month, and eleven days. She was preceded in death by her parents, and all of her nine brothers and sisters; Ruby Adams, Lloyd McDaniel, Paul McDaniel, Edna Wagoner, Mildred Carter, James McDaniel, Robert McDaniel, Dorothy Hueppelsheuser and Wilma Owens. Mabel is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, and countless friends who loved her so dearly.

Mabel's childhood home was small for her large family. There were "three rooms and a path." Her father worked in a factory and her mother took in laundry and washed it by hand. Mabel's job as a child was to deliver the clean clothes to each home with her little red wagon. She enjoyed learning, loved to read, and excelled in school.

As a young teen, Mabel attended the Wesleyan Church, and gave her heart to Jesus, under the ministry of the Rev. Floyd Titus family. Their young daughter, Barbara, adopted Mabel, and would do anything to sneak away and play with her. That friendship has continued through the years. Following high school graduation, Mabel enrolled in Indiana Wesleyan University and pursued a Bachelor's degree in Biology with a minor in Bible. However, in 1943, part-way through college, she answered a call to serve her country in WWII, and enlisted in the U.S. Army. Mabel served in Arlington, Virginia, just outside the nation's Capitol, as an enemy decoder. She was honorably discharged in 1946 and returned to college where she graduated in 1948 .

Mabel enjoyed the Washington D.C. area so much that after college, she returned to Arlington and found employment in the Laboratory of Arlington Hospital, a job she would keep for almost 50 years. She rose to Administrative Assistant in the lab, and



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her work ethic was impeccable. So impressed was the head pathologist, that upon her retirement, he gave her a brand new Toyota Camry!

Upon moving to Virginia, Mabel met lifelong friends, Jim and Ferne Cooper. She “adopted” their girls, Janice and Jeaneen. Ferne and Mabel have remained the closest of friends all through these years. Many happy hours were spent with the Cooper family at church, vacationing together, traveling, celebrating holidays and birthdays, and a million other fun activities. Janice gave Mabel the nickname, “Beeb,” which she kept with everyone she met. She loved children and never tired of making snow forts and snow men, playing games, working puzzles and doing all sorts of fun things with them. There was never a baby she couldn’t rock to sleep. She also enjoyed photography, raising African violets, bird-watching, hiking parts of the Appalachian Trail, searching out lighthouses, camping, and traveling to most of the fifty states. Twice she visited Alaska.

Mabel’s fingers were never idle. The stitches in her quilts and counted-cross stitch pieces were perfect. She could knit anything, and often designed her own patterns. She was also an artist, and enjoyed paintings and chalk drawings. Mabel was a beautiful seamstress and designed the wedding gowns for each of her “girls,” Barbara (Swanson), Janice (Cotrone), and Jeaneen (LaLone.) They were works of art, and each stitch and piece of lace was placed and sewn with utmost love and care. Her three girls gave her seven grand-children. Katie to Barb, Francia, Philip and Joshua, (from Haiti), to Janice, and Jason, Jon and James to Jeaneen. She was their Grandma Beeb. Mabel took seriously her walk with the Lord, and it was evident in the life she lived. She became a member of Aldersgate Wesleyan Church in Falls Church, Virginia. For over fifty years, she served on the church board, sang alto in the choir, taught second-grade Sunday school, served as church treasurer, taught children in the weekly Kid’s Club, taught Arts and Crafts each summer at church camp, and was a faithful servant of the Lord at every turn of her life. She loved reading God’s Word, and literally wore out several Bibles. She helped support countless missionaries on foreign soil, and shared anything she had with a generosity rarely seen. She lived by God’s precepts, and her life showed the light of Jesus wherever she went.

Janice Cotrone became a Registered Nurse and was called to missionary service in



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Haiti with the Wesleyan Church. During her years there, Mabel made thirteen trips to that impoverished island nation, helping in the hospital and clinic. How she loved the children! For the past eight years, Mabel has lived with Janice and her family. Mansfield, Missouri has been their home for the past three years. Words will never adequately describe the void that Mabel leaves behind. So precious was her friendship; so exemplary her love for Jesus and walk with Him, and so great was her heart for others. Her favorite hymn was, "All the Way My Savior Leads Me." Looking back over the life of a true servant of God, it can truly be said, "This my song thro' endless ages: Jesus led me all the way." Well done, good and faithful servant. You have run the race and finished the course. You never lost sight of the goal of Glory. Only God knows how many precious souls are in Heaven today because of Mabel's influence on their lives. So, until we meet on that Heavenly shore, good-bye Beeb! We will always love you and forever thank you for all you meant to us!



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Anonymous posted:

Although I was privileged to know Mabel only a few years, in that time she had a profound effect on my life and ministry. I have yet to meet another soul whose spirit is as pure, sweet, and gentle and willing to do whatever our Lord asks. She often invited me to her home where she ministered to me through her life stories and photographs that revealed her self-sacrificial love of Jesus and for those Jesus put in her life, especially her "girls" and their children. When Mabel's illness began to manifest itself, and she had to leave our New Hope congregation, it was a heartbreaking loss to us that can never be filled. Now she is with our Lord whom she indeed loves with all her heart, soul, and mind. I know this not because she said so, but because she demonstrated her love for Christ by bringing the love of Jesus to everyone He put in her path.##imported-begin##Pat Deavers##imported-end##

January 13 at 4:11 AM



Anonymous posted:

Mable McDaniel has left wonderful memories of the past. The children loved her Sunday School class teaching especially with the beautiful drawings to go with Bible stories. We enjoyed them also as she would draw chalk pictures for church services. Mable, Kitty and Fern sang so well as a trio which we all enjoyed. She was quite a talented lady and we all loved her. God has called a saint home.##imported-begin##Vernon & Polly McManamay##imported-end##

January 12 at 8:16 AM



Anonymous posted:

I will never forget the day I met Mabel; we call her Beeb. I was dating Janice, and was with the family at church. After the service, Beeb reached in her wallet and pulled out \$20. She said, "Here, take my girl to lunch." She gave me more than \$20 that day. She gave me her seal of approval on the marriage to my sweetheart. She made Janice's beautiful wedding gown, too. She has been a real friend to us, and we have loved her so dearly. She lived with us for the final 8 years of her life, and I was always so impressed with her sweet disposition and her Christ-like spirit. I enjoyed our times of Scripture-reading and prayer. She always prayed to be an effective witness for the Lord. She is with Him now, free from the effects of time. Praise the Lord for His work of grace on a true woman of God.##imported-begin##Mitchell Cotrone##imported-end##

January 11 at 1:51 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Very rarely in life do we meet people who impact everything about us for the better, see the good in us, and love us for who we are. Beeb was that sort of person. She enriched my life in a thousand different ways. She taught me so much. She taught me to flip pancakes when I was 6, to knit when I was 7, to sew and to drive. She taught me the books of the Bible, and how to study God's word. Her love for Jesus, generosity, caring, compassion, fun-loving nature, and endless abilities can never be matched. Beeb shared the home of my family and I for the past eight years. It was always such a joy to care for her. She was so happy with whatever came her way. Every night as I tucked her in bed she would say, "You're too good to me. Thank you for letting me live with you." I could never be too good to her. She meant everything to me. She was there when I came into this world, and I was there when she when out of this world. Her eyes saw the Lord she waited and lived for. Such a heritage is mine. Thank you, Beeb, for what you meant to me. Your chair is empty, but you live on in my heart. And thanks to Jesus, I will see you again on the golden streets of glory. Until then, with all my love,Your littlest angel,Janice Lynne##imported-begin##Janice Cotrone##imported-end##

January 11 at 1:26 PM



Anonymous posted:

One day when I was about 7 my Mom and Dad went to church for a board meeting. I was told not to get into the balogna. Well I didn't listen and I made a sandwich anyway. Grandma Beeb knew the rule, but since I was already eating away, she divided the sandwich in half and ate the other half. She said, "Now I'm just as guilty. Let keep it a secret between you and me!" I loved Grandma Beeb so much. We will all miss her dearly.##imported-begin##Philip Cotrone##imported-end##

January 11 at 11:43 AM



Anonymous posted:

She was a great lady for taking care of us and stepping in to always help us. We will miss her. I love you, Grandma Beeb!##imported-begin##Joshua Cotrone##imported-end##

January 11 at 11:32 AM



Anonymous posted:

WE ENJOYED SOME SPECIAL TIMES WITH MABEL OVER THE YEARS THAT WE KNEW HER. OUR LOVE AND SYMPATHY ON HER PASSING. LOVE AND PRAYERS, HERB AND SHEILA##imported-begin##HERB & SHEILA HARTMAN##imported-end##

January 11 at 9:49 AM



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Anonymous posted:

I have such warm and loving memories of Mabel. We would sit so often and she would tell me of her work in the hospital in the lab. I was always so fascinated as a young nurse. More than ever she was a wonderful example of a godly woman. I will miss you Beeb but will see you on the other side. Say hi to Mom and Dad and all of our friends...hug Jeaneen for me...evelynLD###imported-begin###Evelyn C. Marshall###imported-end###

January 10 at 10:29 AM



Anonymous posted:

Remembering Mabel...a gentle, loving, generous, faithful, beautiful lady. My privilege to have know her.###imported-begin###Ruth (Godsey) Keesor###imported-end###

January 10 at 4:39 AM



Anonymous posted:

I wonder if my mom has greeted "Aunt" Mabel yet and they are worshipping Jesus in His presence - friends together again? Maybe the two of them are with Jeaneen - laughing, now ageless, smiling into the face of the Lord they all loved here on earth. I remember the treats, the crocheted slippers that hurt my childhood feet, her smile and gentle ways. Oh, so many precious memories of interactions over the years. Thank You, Lord, for this woman - "beautifully and wonderfully made" by You. Thank You for giving her to us for a short time.###imported-begin###Renée Smith###imported-end###

January 9 at 6:37 PM



Anonymous posted:

Mabel "Bebel" was a dear friend to our family. We were blessed with her friendship. Neal and Craig especially were blessed by her neverending supply of M & M's. On behalf of Bob and Margie Norris and their children. "Rest eternal grant to her O Lord and may light perpetual shine upon her."###imported-begin###Michael Brent Norris###imported-end###

January 9 at 9:04 AM



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Anonymous posted:

My Dear Precious Beeb! My heart and mind go way back to so many precious times spent with you. The Mountain Breakfast, the Girls Ensemble trip to New York, CYC, Choir, and in later years, your visits to our home in Falls Church. You will always be fondly remembered to our children as Grandma Beeb. Our daughter Stephanie still uses the quilt you made her a long time ago. Most of all Beeb, I'll always remember your unselfish ways, and your love for our church and for our Lord. You were one of the mainstays in my life, and I will always remember you as one of the precious people who helped raise me in the Lord. It's because of you and others I am where I am today - walking with God. I love you Beeb, and will miss you terribly. Martie##imported-begin##Martie Jones##imported-end##

January 9 at 5:46 AM



Anonymous posted:

Sorry to hear of Mabel's passing. She was talented in even more ways than I know. She was once one of my neighbors and such a good friend. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Jonelle Keatts##imported-end##

January 9 at 5:15 AM



Anonymous posted:

Mabel was my "other aunt" and she often referred to herself that way when I was with her...from way, way back when I was very young. She was such a wonderful companion and friend to my favorite aunt, Ferne Cooper. She had amazing bookkeeping skills and was a valuable asset to her church and the hospital where she worked. Her other talents were innumerable. Her testimony and her sweet disposition were evidence of a life committed to the Christ she served. Thank you, Janice, for taking such good care of her in her declining years.##imported-begin##Joyce McPhee##imported-end##

January 8 at 11:11 AM



Anonymous posted:

"Grandma Beeb"Gentle and quiet,Mild and meek.Living for Jesus,Always to serve us.Her strawberry cake,And big Canon camera.Always preserving,Her loved ones surrounding.Army men and under-dogs,She was ready to play.Faithfully devoted,How much did she pray?Such calmness, such meekness,The earth, her inheritance.How lovely, how gleeful,Her virtues galore.How we all long to meet herOn the beautiful, heavenly shore!Your grandson,Jonathan##imported-begin##Jon LaLone##imported-end##

January 8 at 8:19 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Mabel was an extraordinary servant of God, a woman of excellence. And now she has been set free of her earthly body and is with her Savior. Dance, Mabel, dance!##imported-begin##Janet Lamos##imported-end##

January 8 at 6:02 AM



Anonymous posted:

"Then those who feared and loved the Lord spoke often to each other ...and he had a Book of Remembrance drawn up in which he recorded the names of those who feared him ...and they shall be mine in that day when I make up my jewels..." Malachi 3:16LB.I have lost a most precious, faithful, trusted friend. Mabel was like a sister to me for over 55 years. She was like another mother to my girls, also to our Jeaneen's 3 boys. Heaven is richer because she is there! All my family loved her dearly. We look forward to meeting her again, just inside the gates of pearl. What an example she left us of Godliness,lovingkindness, and faithful service. She leaves behind a host of friends whose lives she touched, especially the children she taught in Sunday School. She has run the race, finished her course and now has received the crown that was awaiting her."I will meet you in the morn-ing, Mabel, just inside the Eastern Gate, over there!"Lovingly, your friend,Ferne Cooper##imported-begin##Mabel McDaniel##imported-end##

January 7 at 6:05 PM



Anonymous posted:

Mabel was a part of the lives of my cousins and aunt for as long as I can remember. I was in awe of the fact that she made both of my cousins' wedding dresses! I know she loved them as much as if they had been her daughters. She spent much of her resources, time and love in their behalf, and on the behalf of those with whom she came in contact in her many trips to the mission field. Heaven is richer for her arrival there.##imported-begin##Jan LaLone##imported-end##

January 7 at 5:14 PM



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Anonymous posted:

"Beeb" as she was known by those who knew and loved her, was such an amazing lady. She loved the Lord with all of her heart and served him in so many ways. She was an integral part of the Aldersgate Wesleyan Church in Falls Church, VA. I often said the church doors if it wasn't for Beeb, Ferne Cooper and a few others. Beeb is now well, and safely cuddled in the arms of Jesus. Thank you for being loving and caring to so many. We will never forget the wonderful person you were. Heaven is rejoicing!!!##imported-begin##Bunni Cooper##imported-end##

January 7 at 7:18 AM



Anonymous posted:

Mabel, we knew her as Beeb, has been such a tremendous blessing to our family. She was a Grandmother to my three sons. She was a second mother to Jeaneen. Oh how we valued her life, love and friendship. She was committed to Christ and his work around the world. Jeaneen would cry often, missing Beeb. We loved Beeb and will miss her. Janice and Mitchell, Joshua and Phillip; and Barb and family; and Ferne; we are sorry for your loss and are praying for you. We know her Savior is welcoming her home. Love, Tim, Jason, Jon and James.##imported-begin##Tim LaLone##imported-end##

January 7 at 6:00 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mabel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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