



Orta O. Allen

August 24, 1929 - August 10, 2025

Orta O. Allen, age 95 of Clare, passed away Sunday, August 10, 2025 at home surrounded by her family. Orta was born the daughter of the late Hiram and Elizabeth (Gatz) Tappen on August 24, 1929 in Gladwin. She was united in marriage to Kenneth Allen on July 1, 1950 with him predeceasing her on November 29, 1986. Orta grew up in Gladwin and moved to Clare area after her and Kenneth were married. She had attended and had been very active in the God's Country Church (formerly Arthur Center Church of God) for over 60 years; she had been the churches treasurer, piano player as well as teaching Sunday School, Bible School and coordinating the Harvest Dinners. Orta had belonged to the Red Hat Strutters, and enjoyed painting ceramics and doing word search puzzle books. One of her true passions was family history and the great depression.

Orta is survived by her children Suzanne Allen, Sharon (Daniel) Cain, Edward (Anglau) Allen, David (Amy) Allen and daughter in law Sue (Ken) Swartz; 12 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Orta was predeceased by her son Clarence Allen, and siblings Bill and Alvin Card, Ann Coston and Ellen Johnson.

Visitation will be held at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 from 5 to 8 P.M. and again on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 from 10 A.M. until the time of services at 11 A.M. at God's Country Church. Pastor Doug McGeorge will officiate with burial to follow in the Arthur Twp. Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to

the God's Country Church or Heartland Hospice. On-line condolences may be left at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Arthur Township Cemetery

2500 S. Athey Ave.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
(989) 386-7451
wymanf@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

Visitation

AUG 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

God's Country Church (Formerly Arthur Center Church of God)
3065 S. Athey Ave.
Clare, MI 48617

Service

AUG 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MM

“ To the Family and dear friends of our Friend, Orta Allen. So sorry to hear of your loved one's passing. She was a dear friend and member of Our Top's Club here in Clare. She was a very loving and interesting person with lots of beautiful stories to tell. A very loving Mother and devoted member of her Church where she was very active. We will miss her smiling face, and she will always remain in my prayers. Mary Jo Miller. Clare, Mi.

Mary Jo Miller - August 13, 2025 at 10:24 PM

JA

“ Our condolences to the family of Aunt Orta. You will be in our prayers. Jane and Gilbert Apps

Jame Apps - August 13, 2025 at 08:57 PM

RS

“ Rick and Diane Sanborn purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Orta O. Allen.



Rick and Diane Sanborn - August 12, 2025 at 03:27 PM

TC

“ So many Sundays with you as a teacher. So many summers with you there for Bible school. So many memories. And you kept trying to get me back into church. Oh Orta, you lived a full life, with hard times and good. And I can see you as a Red Hat Lady! But you won't strut up to St Peter, for sure. Go in peace, sweet lady, and rest in peace. You have run your race.

Tami Cowles - August 12, 2025 at 10:21 AM

AD

“ I will always remember Aunt Orta taking me and my sister Theresa to the movies at the Beaverton theater in the summer when we came up to stay at Grandma Allen's for a weeks vacation.

Amy Dwyer-Whitney

Amy Dwyer-Whitney - August 12, 2025 at 08:26 AM

MC

“ McCreery's purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Orta O. Allen.



McCreery's - August 12, 2025 at 08:16 AM