

## Daisy McClure

Daisy D. McClure, 87, Windsor Estates, died at 5:10 p.m. Friday, June 9, 2000. Born Aug. 30, 1911, in Elkton, Ky., she was the daughter of John France Davidson and Sally Jefferson. She was the wife of John W. McClure.



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She was the third child of John and Sally. Her father named her Daisy because their home was across the street from a field of daisies. She attended elementary school in Elkton, but attended and graduated from high school in Kokomo where the family had relocated. During her high school years she was actively involved in a number of youth organizations such as: The Jr. NAACP; the Young People's Missionary Society of her church; the youth choir; the Christian Endeavor, and the Girls Reserves, an organization of the YWCA. In elementary school she was a Campfire Girl.

Because of her poise and stage acumen, she was given the lead role in several local plays and she played the piano and accordion for numerous church and social functions.

After the first black YWCA club was organized, Daisy had the privilege and opportunity of participating in activities helpful in her making the decision to become a teacher. She received her training as a primary teacher at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, which is now Ball State University.

She taught at the Douglass School in Kokomo for 13 years under the principalship of Rev. H.A. Perry. In the meantime, she married John W. McClure, the first black Kokomo pilot. While he was serving with the 99th Pursuit Squadron during World War II, she was employed as Girl Work Director at Carver Community Center. Later, she became the

teacher of the Carver Center kindergarten. Still later, she was employed at Kokomo Public Library for 14 years as acting children's librarian and reference librarian.

She was a member of the Schoolmasters Club; Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority; YWCA Board of Directors; Howard County Health Care Board; a charter member of the Siete Amigas Club (a YWCA group organized in 1935, and which she served for more than 10 years as president); the Woman's Civic Council and Wayman Vacation Bible School. As a devoted member of Wayman A.M.E. Church, she served in many capacities, starting in her early years and continuing as a Stewardess until she was felled by illness. Her future plans would have been to continue in the service of her church, her clubs and her community.

She leaves to mourn her death a brother and sister-in-law, Reed and Esther Davidson, Kokomo; a sister, Winifred Cunningham, Yellow Springs, Ohio; a sister-in-law, and niece, Esther and June Ann Davidson, Altadena, Calif.; a niece and husband, Norma and John Mitchell and family, Las Vegas, Nev.; a niece, Marilyn Burgos and family, California; three nephews and wives, George and Gertie Tuggle and family, Kokomo; David and Dora Cunningham and family, San Jose, Calif.; nephew, Royal Davidson and family, Davis, Calif.; a friendship granddaughter, Rene Vaux, Greentown; a number of grand nieces and nephews, cousins and a multitude of friends.

Services are 11 a.m. Wednesday at Wayman A.M.E. Church, 920

Apperson Way N. The Rev. Dr. Carson will officiate. Burial will be in Crown Point Cemetery. Friends may call from 10 a.m., until time of service Wednesday at the church. Bluit & Son Funeral Home, 511 E. Monroe St., is in charge of the arrangements.

Burial Wednesday, June 14, 2000  
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