



## Claire Poole

June 19, 1934 - February 26, 2020

Claire Poole “Nellie” (nee Charlton) on February 26, 2020 of Woodbury Heights. Age 85.

Wife of the late Joseph F. Poole. Devoted mother of Valerie Dzindzio (Mark) of Clayton, Robert Clayton (Elizabeth) of Woodbury, Maureen Leo (Dominick) of Clayton, and step-mother of Joseph “Michael” Poole (the late Diane) of Deptford, James Poole of Woodbury and the late Frank Clayton, Jr., Russell Clayton (Theresa) and Kevin Clayton. Beloved sister of Edward Charlton (Theresa) of Collingswood and the late Frances Andrews, Teresa Logan, and Hilda Minderjahn. Loving grandmother of 14 and great-grandmother of 11. Nellie leaves behind many nieces and nephews and her cat, Tabitha.

A loving and caring woman, Claire dedicated her life to her family. She was employed by the Camden County Board of Social Services as a Social Worker before her retirement. Claire was heavily involved in politics, was President of CWA LOCAL 1084 Union; was 2nd Vice President of Central Labor Union-AFL CIO, was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1984, 1988, and 1999, served on numerous United Way campaigns; former President of Women of Labor; Chairperson of the Union Organization of Social Services; Woodbury Heights Borough Council Member; Woodbury Heights Democratic Club; former President of the Woodbury Heights Senior Club, and Gloucester County Senior Club. She was also involved in St.

Margaret's Church where she was part of the bereavement committee. Claire adored her children and grandchildren and she even sponsored a child through the Unbound organization. Family meant the world to her. She will be missed deeply by her loved ones.

Relatives and friends are invited to a viewing on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 from 9am to 10:45am at Infant Jesus Parish at St. Margaret's Church, 3rd & Beech Sts., Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097.

Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 11am in St. Margaret's Church. Interment Hillcrest Memorial Park, Sewell.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 1415 NJ-70 #311, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 or [www.jdrf.org](http://www.jdrf.org).

For directions, to sign online guest book and to view Claire's Video Tribute, visit [www.boucherfuneralhome.com](http://www.boucherfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 3. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

Infant Jesus Parish at St. Margaret's RC Church  
3rd & Beech Streets  
Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097  
(856) 848-0047

## A Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Infant Jesus Parish at St. Margaret's RC Church  
3rd & Beech Streets  
Woodbury Heights, NJ 08097  
(856) 848-0047

# Tribute Wall



“ *Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & Gloucester County Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Claire Poole*



**Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service** - February 29, 2020 at 01:51 PM

KW

*Very nice*

**Kenneth Watkins** - March 01, 2020 at 10:18 AM



“ *Claire Poole*

November 27, 2022 at 03:45 PM

SK

“ *My deepest condolences and prayers go out to the Clayton family at this most trying time. May God bless you and watch over you and help you cope with this most unfortunate loss. She is now in heaven with those who have passed away before her and kept in the loving Grace's of the Lord.*

**Scott Keane** - March 04, 2020 at 02:25 PM

CS

“ Dear Robert and family you have my sincere condolences.  
My prayers are with you today.

Cheryl Stevens - March 03, 2020 at 09:33 AM

NM

“ Nancy MacDermott lit a candle in memory of  
Claire Poole



Nancy MacDermott - March 02, 2020 at 08:58 PM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the  
family of Claire Poole.



March 02, 2020 at 12:49 PM

TN

“ The Charltons neices and nephews purchased  
the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of  
Claire Poole.



The Charltons neices and nephews - March 02, 2020 at 07:52  
AM

LT

“ *Larry Nocella & Heather Tuck purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Claire Poole.*



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**Larry Nocella & Heather Tuck** - March 01, 2020 at 06:43 PM

KW

“ *Kenneth Watkins lit a candle in memory of Claire Poole*



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**Kenneth Watkins** - March 01, 2020 at 10:21 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Claire Poole.*



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March 01, 2020 at 12:02 AM

  
Gwendolyn  
McKnight

“ *Gwendolyn McKnight purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Claire Poole.*



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**Gwendolyn McKnight** - February 29, 2020 at 06:37 PM



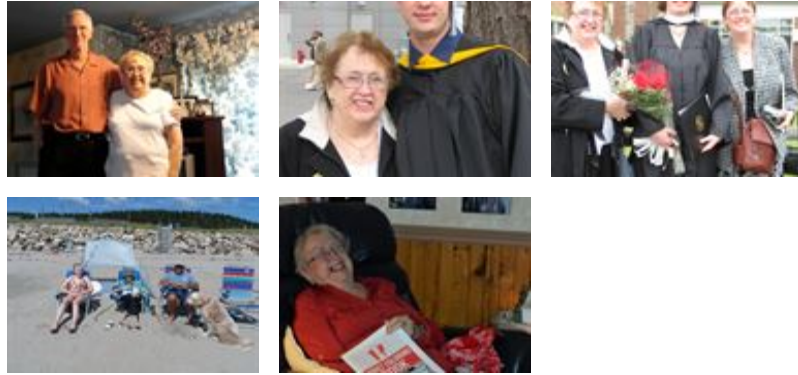
“ Thank you for the love and being an awesome Leader and Mother. Love you Gwendolyn McKnight.



Gwendolyn McKnight - February 29, 2020 at 06:23 PM



“ 100 files added to the album LifeTributes



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - February 29, 2020 at 01:52 PM

KH

“ I had the pleasure of sitting next to Claire at work at our jobs at CCBSS. Claire was almost always laughing and smiling and spreading her joy. Her desk area was decorated with gentle and encouraging messages about life. She was a kind and patient social worker who took good care of her clients. She worked hard and was a strong advocate for them. Claire helped them overcome barriers and gain independence, as that was one of her life principals; she never backed down to opposition. She refueled at lunch with her double order of French Fries.

Every morning Claire came to work nicely dressed wearing her jewelry that she enjoyed so much. Never boring, sometimes pretty flashy. She loved being complimented on her legs; she did have great legs, and wore the shoes to show them off.

Claire was proud of her Irish heritage and was the creator and force behind our department's Saint Patrick Day luncheons, cooking her homemade corned beef and cabbage .

Claire was always willing to help her fellow employees with workplace concerns; she took the time and trouble to make a phone call, or give them good advice.

The image that comes to mind of Claire was the joy and happiness she radiated. She stayed bright, optimistic and energetic, even while facing great challenges. A sophisticated lady, she spoke of the simple joys in her life; her board game nights with her adult kids, her campground where she loved riding her tricycle. Claire was an inspiration.

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**Karen Haberern** - February 29, 2020 at 11:21 AM

WS

“ Warren and Nancy Strumpfer purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Claire Poole.



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**Warren and Nancy Strumpfer** - February 29, 2020 at 09:07 AM

BA

“ *My sincere condolences to the Poole family. I worked with Claire many years ago, at CCBSS. Rest In Peace Claire.*  
*Bonita M. Aide*



**Bonita M. Aide** - February 28, 2020 at 11:38 PM



“ *Majestic Heart was purchased for the family of Claire Poole.*



February 28, 2020 at 01:07 PM

RO

“ *1 file added to the album Mom*



**Robert** - February 28, 2020 at 12:11 AM

HT

“ *Claire has been a dear friend since the first time I met her 42 years ago. I will miss her, and I i'll never forget the fun times we had together throughout the years. Rest in peace dear friend. Your work is done.*



**Helen Albright Troxell** - February 27, 2020 at 11:26 PM

JM

“ *My friendship with Claire was mainly at Mass and the Monday night Charismatic prayer meeting for over 40 years. I picked up Claire and took her to and from Mass for just about the last year, which also had a plus to it. I became friend with her cat Tabitha which made Claire smile. I miss my friend Claire.*

*Jack McGuire*

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**Jack McGuire** - February 27, 2020 at 09:35 PM

JK

“ *Deepest Condolences and prayers. A wonderful lady.*

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**John Kendall** - February 27, 2020 at 08:35 PM

SK

“ *I just would love to see granny coming up the steps to come visit she was always full of life and laughter. Always treated me like family had the warmest hugs and smiles and always had jokes. Granny I will truly miss you and seeing your smile you were one of a kind. Love ya*



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**Shani kellam** - February 27, 2020 at 07:17 PM