



Elza Louise McClanahan

October 15, 1931 - May 7, 2026

Elza Louise McClanahan passed away Thursday, May 7, 2026

Most people knew her as Liz but her family called her Bambi. She was born October 15, 1931, in Coy, Arkansas to parents Lebert Wilson and Pauline Woolsey. She attended England Junior High School and Graduated England High School May 21, 1948.

She was married to Charles Edward Tudor and had three children Eddie Lou, Charlie and Liz. She worked for both the Marshall Mountain Wave and the Stone County Leader newspapers. She also worked at KVLZ radio station in Little Rock then for WLIS radio in Old Saybrook, Connecticut. After moving back to Arkansas and working different sales jobs she met and married Jim McClanahan who she said was the best thing that ever happened to her, they would be married for 56 years until her death.

Together they owned the Yamaha Motorcycle franchise in Little Rock from 1975 until 1986. She had a love for pets but her big joy was the grandchildren.

Liz

was preceded in death by her Daughter Eddie Lou "Tozzy", and many ancestors and siblings. She often said about getting old that you miss so many people. She was always thankful for all those that she was survived by. Husband Jimmy McClanahan, Son Charlie Tudor (Diane), Daughter Liz Foreman (John), Grandchildren: John Bowman (Teah), Shawn Bowman, Nicholas Tudor (Suzanne), Julie Newman (Matt), Bobby Bowman (Daniele), and Kate Sommerfeld (Matt).

Great grandchildren: JB Bowman, Raden Bowman, Nate Smith, Abby Tudor, Josh Halvorson (Lexi), Ella Sommerfeld, Luke Sommerfeld.

A visitation will be 6:00-8:00 p.m. Monday, May 11, at Harris Funeral Home. A private burial will be at at Roselawn Memorial Park in Little Rock.

Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memorial Park

2801 Asher Ave.
Little Rock, AR 72204

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Harris Funeral Homes - Morrilton
1325 Oak St
Morrilton, AR 72110
(501) 354-4575

Tribute Wall

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“ *She was so much fun and she came to New Jersey and stayed with us. I am sorry she is gone. She was a great girl. Janice Tarantino.* ”

Janice Tarantino - May 13 at 09:11 PM

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“ *I'm deeply sorry for your loss, Uncle Charlie. You're in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May God give you peace and comfort in the days ahead.* ”

Berni K - May 11 at 09:21 AM