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Margie placed this poem in the paper to commemorate hers
and Claude's twentieth wedding anniversary.

Should you go first and I remain to walk the road alone

I'll live in memory's garden dear

with happy days we've known.

In spring I'll wait for roses red,

when fades the lilacs bloom,

And in early fall when brown leaves fall,

I'll catch a glimpse of you.

Should you go first and I remain, for battles to be fought

Each thing you've touched along the way,

will be a hallowed spot.

I'll hear your voice, I'll see your smile

though blindly I may grope.

The memory of your helping hand will buoy me on with hope.

Should you go first and I remain, to finish with the scroll

No lessening shadows shall ever creep in

to make this life seem droll.

We've known so much of happiness, we've had our cup of joy

And memory is one gift of God that death cannot destroy.

I want to know each step you take that I may walk the same

For someday down that lonely road,

you'll hear me call your name.

Should you go first and I remain, one thing I'll have to do

Walk slowly down that long long path,

for soon I'll follow you.

Marjorie Ann McElhannon, 94, of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, died Saturday, March 21, 2020, peacefully in her sleep surrounded by her children, Marjorie (Margie) was preceded in death by her father, Olice Price McMaster and her mother, Essie Loraine McMaster, her first husband and father of her four children, Claude A. Thompson and her son, Mark Adrian Thompson and her second husband, Roy Neil McElhannon and Roy's daughter, Nancy Foggo. Surviving are her children, Claudette Thompson (Smokey) Smith, Paul Thompson and Marsha Hedge and daughters-in-law, Laura Thompson and Linda Thompson; surviving grandchildren are Megan Lorraine (Brad) Harris, Jeremy David (Misty) Smith, Grant Thompson (Brenda) Smith, Michael (Cinnamon) Thompson, Brian (Jessica) Thompson, Christopher Thompson, Jordan (Liz) Thompson, Rachel (Michael) Heithaus and Kelsey (Jesse) Igo, Carson Smith, Emily Smith and Aydan Smith step-grandchildren, Zach (Marcie) Redding, Ryan (Amber) Redding and Rachel (Brad) Dull; great-grandchildren are Drew (Delaney) Harris, Brayden Harris, Ava Harris, Aubrey Thompson, Shammah Thompson, Matthew Igo, Jett Igo, Collins Thompson, Tatum Thompson and Layla Thompson; step great-grandchildren are Adley Dull and Eden Redding; other survivors are the children of her second husband, Roy Neil McElhannon-Danny (Debra) McElhannon, Christy (Jim) Reese and daughter, Lydia and Nancy's husband, Ken Foggo and their two children, Zephyr and Sydney.