



Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs

October 21, 1927 - May 2, 2020

Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs, loving and devoted mother, grandmother, and friend to all whose lives she touched, was called to her heavenly home on May 2, 2020.

Born October 21, 1927 in Erwin, Tennessee to the late John Henry and Maxie Candler Lynch, she was blessed with four sisters and five brothers.

Judy was predeceased by her parents; her husband of 63 years, John Brown Combs; daughter Janie Lee Griffith; brothers Ted, Sam, David and Jim; and sisters Rebecca Banner, Ann Cross, Ruth Ervin, and Margaret Norris.

Survivors include her loving son and daughter in law John C. and Connie Daugherty-Combs; brother Charles; grandchildren Sara (Wes) Williams, Cara Griffith (Jason Levit), Jordan Combs, Jordan (Breanna) Daugherty; great-grandchildren Phillip Williams, Julia Williams; son-in-law Rod Griffith; many special nieces and nephews.

Judy attended Milligan College and Lincoln Memorial University and earned her Master's degree at Union College. Her career in education included teaching in one room schools and various other positions until her retirement from Lee High School. She was proud and frequently spoke of the many opportunities and success stories involving her students,

often bringing them into her home and providing support.

She loved flowers, gardening and was active in the community. She supported and was a member of the Farm Bureau, Lee County Garden Club, Jonesville Woman's Club, and the Republican Party. She was also an original member of the Lee Player's Community Theater. Judy provided support to the Mountain Mission School in Grundy and the Lee County Rescue Squad, among others.

The exceptional care and kindness shown to her over the years did not go unnoticed and for that she was grateful. A special thank you to Dr. Abdul Almatari and staff, Mountain Region Home Health, and Caris Healthcare. Judy was comforted by close friends and their ongoing acts of love and kindness. Lastly, she was blessed to have such a loving caregiver, Alice Livesay.

Judy was an active member of the Galilee Christian Church of Jonesville for over 60 years and later became a member of the First Christian Church of Pennington Gap. She lived her life helping others, serving God, and loving her family and friends. Judy will be dearly missed and remain forever in our hearts.

A private service will be held at the Warner Cemetery with Preacher Bob Richards officiating.

Tribute Wall



“ *Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Charlene Nelson Fannon lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



Charlene Nelson Fannon - May 27, 2020 at 04:49 PM



“ *Johnny,
So sorry to hear of your Mama's passing. She was very good to us kids (at Galilee Christian Church.) We always found solace with your family and at your house.*

*Sincerely,
Sam Neth, Valerie Neth Brown, Dixie Neth and Bo Neth Hardy*

bonita hardy - May 08, 2020 at 01:57 PM



“ *Stacy Estep Munsey lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



Stacy Estep Munsey - May 08, 2020 at 01:41 PM

BR

“ *Ben And Elaine Richmond lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



Ben and Elaine Richmond - May 07, 2020 at 04:15 PM

JW

“ *Judy Williams lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



Judy Williams - May 06, 2020 at 03:35 PM

BH

“ *Bob And Sammie Horton lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



Bob and Sammie Horton - May 06, 2020 at 12:23 PM



“ *Robert and I both remember Mrs. Combs as being so good to us in elementary school. Thinking of you during this difficult time.*

Robert & Jill Graham

Jill Graham - May 05, 2020 at 05:58 PM

CV

“ Johnny, Connie & Families: I'm so sorry to hear of Judy passing. I had the honor of knowing Judy all my life, which she reminded me of many times. Oh the tales she could tell. She wouldn't hesitate to reprimand you, then turn around and give you a big hug. She was an outspoken lady. If things weren't right at bingo, she let everyone know it. Judy was definitely one of a kind. She will be missed and not forgotten. Fly high Judy Combs!! Keep Heaven straight!! Carol, Dakota(Shea is what she called him) and Kelsie Vandergriff

Carol Vandergriff - May 05, 2020 at 01:39 PM

BF

“ Johnny, Connie and family,
So sorry to learn of Judy's passing. I've treasured Judy's as a friend and co-worker for fifty years. She had a heart of gold in helping her neighbors and friends when in need. Please take comfort in knowing that she said she was so fortunate to have children and spouses to take such good care of her "old age!"
She was a joy to be with in school and out.

Betty Flanary - May 04, 2020 at 11:20 PM

EW

“ Johnny and family: My most sincere condolences on Judy's passing. She was certainly one of a kind. Before I was old enough to drive she took me and Billy, along with you and David to many school events, movies etc. I would otherwise had no opportunity to attend. I will never forget her. Eddie Watson

Eddie Watson - May 04, 2020 at 07:38 PM

TI

“ *TinkerAnderson lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



TinkerAnderson - May 04, 2020 at 07:33 PM

PB

“ *So sorry to hear of Judy's passing. May God comfort during this time.*



Patsy Brimelow - May 04, 2020 at 03:24 PM

GS

“ *Glenna Collins Stark lit a candle in memory of Julia "Judy" Hendrix Combs*



Glenna Collins Stark - May 04, 2020 at 10:04 AM

GS

I remember a number of times when she showed up at our elementary school with cupcakes on Janie's birthday, or Christmas, Valentine's, or Halloween. She and my mother enjoyed playing Bingo a lot.

Glenna C Stark - May 04, 2020 at 07:56 PM

BH

*Wandaleen,
We are sorry you've lost your Mama. She was always good to us kids,
as were you, during our childhoods. We were happy when we were
with your family. We will be thinking of you and praying for you.*

Love,

The Neth Kids: Dixie, Valerie, Bo and Sam

bonita hardy - May 08, 2020 at 02:11 PM

KW

“ *Judy was such a gracious lady! May God
comfort you during this difficult time.*



Kathy Wolfe - May 04, 2020 at 09:31 AM

JC

“ *We are do d sad org to learn of Judy's passing. She e we I'll be
remembered dearly and missed.
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with the family
during this sad time.*

Deepest Sympathies,

Jerry and Betty Crusenberry

Jerry Betty Crusenberry - May 03, 2020 at 09:12 PM

LB

“ Sending my deepest condolences to John ,
Connie and family during this sad time. Judy
was always kind to me and I had a great deal
of respect for her.



LaVerne Brown

LaVerne Brown - May 03, 2020 at 05:22 PM

GH

“ Connie and family,
I was so saddened to hear of your loss. Judy was a wonderful
woman and will be missed by all who knew her. May God hold you
closely at this difficult time.

GinaCox Hensberger - May 03, 2020 at 04:32 PM