



## Lou Ella Ray

September 19, 1947 - December 27, 2018

### Lou Ella Ray

ROSE HILL – Lou Ella Ray, age 71, Rose Hill, VA passed away Thursday, December 27, 2018 at Johnson City Medical Center. She was Born September 19, 1947 in Rose Hill, VA the daughter of the late Morgan and Catherine Cheek. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by two sisters Betty Lemons, Mazil Cheek and one bother James Morgan Cheek Jr. Lou Ella is well known in the community as the owner/operator of Lou's Deli where she spent countless hours feeding and laughing with the many friends and neighbors who came by.

Lou Ella is survived by her husband, Roy Lee Ray, daughter, Wanda (Bobby) Ellis, son, Ronald Ray and is Nana to a very special Granddaughter who she loves dearly, Abigail Ellis, all of Rose Hill, VA; twin sister Bennie Lou (Everett) Gibson, Rose Hill, VA, sister, Virginia Wilder, Norwood, OH and brother Jimmy (Pat) Cheek, Ewing, VA, a very special niece, Janet (Eddie) Guy, Ewing, VA and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

The family will receive friends Monday December 31, 6-8 pm at the Robinette Funeral Home, Rose Hill, VA. Funeral services Monday December 31 at 8 pm at the Robinette Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Charles Long and Rev. Don Rogers officiating. Pallbearers, John Cheek, Josh Cheek, Darrell Lewis, George Hensley, Rick Marcum, and Darrell Ayers. Singing by Shelby Long

and Clyde and Christine Scott. Interment will follow at the Cheek Family Cemetery, Rose Hill, VA on Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at 11 am.

Robinette Funeral Home of Rose Hill is serving the family of Lou Ella Ray.

# Cemetery Details

## Cheek Cemetery

Dean Road  
Rose Hill, VA 24281

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **31**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Rose Hill)  
207 DeRoyal Industries Drive  
P.O. Box 388  
Rose Hill, VA 24281  
(276) 445-5101

## Funeral Service

DEC **31**. 8:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Rose Hill)  
207 DeRoyal Industries Drive  
P.O. Box 388  
Rose Hill, VA 24281  
(276) 445-5101

## Graveside service

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JAN 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Cheek Cemetery  
Dean Road  
Rose Hill, VA 24281

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lou Ella Ray*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Lou will be missed by all who knew her. She was a great person. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.*  
*Vickie & Bridgette Warf*



**Vickie & Bridgette Warf** - December 31, 2018 at 10:56 AM



“ *Carolyn Payne & Jo Brooks lit a candle in memory of Lou Ella Ray*



**Carolyn Payne & Jo Brooks** - December 30, 2018 at 07:29 PM



“ *Rick, Bridget, and Charleston Cheek purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lou Ella Ray.*



**Rick, Bridget, and Charleston Cheek** - December 30, 2018 at 02:13 PM

JC

“ JBruce Catron lit a candle in memory of Lou Ella Ray



JBruce Catron - December 30, 2018 at 08:07 AM

EP

“ God bless all her family. I wanted to share a memory of the day Lou and her sister were born.i grew up just down the hill from the cheek family.and just happened to be there playing with their brother junior.when the midwife arrived her dad told us to go play somewhere else.anyway just a fond memory of my childhood. R I P. LOU.....FROM AN OLD FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR..EARL[ TOMMY ] PILLION. ROCHESTER HILLS MICHIGAN.48309

earl pillion - December 30, 2018 at 06:02 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Lou Ella Ray.



December 29, 2018 at 08:57 PM

DA

“ Lou has been a big part of our little community, I loved going in and talking with her. She will be greatly missed by all. Praying for you and your family to have comfort.



Diane Ayers - December 29, 2018 at 07:02 PM

GH

*I'm so sorry. Lou I'm going to miss you and our talks we had. Prayers for the family.*

**Glenda Bayless Harrell** - December 30, 2018 at 01:37 AM

JD

“ *Lou has been a friend of our family for more years than I remember. Her and Roy are good people and she will be missed by many.* ”



**Joe Dilmon** - December 29, 2018 at 05:30 PM



“ *Lou was a great woman and a great cook. She sure is gonna be missed. God please be with her family during this difficult time. Love and miss you Lou. Fly high angel.* ”

**Teresa Collins** - December 29, 2018 at 05:23 PM

BC

“ *Bobbie Collins lit a candle in memory of Lou Ella Ray* ”



**Bobbie Collins** - December 29, 2018 at 03:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lou Ella Ray.*



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December 29, 2018 at 03:19 PM



“ *Tim And Michelle Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Lou Ella Ray*



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**Tim and Michelle Mitchell** - December 29, 2018 at 03:11 PM



“ *Tammy Parkey lit a candle in memory of Lou Ella Ray*



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**Tammy Parkey** - December 29, 2018 at 03:11 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lou Ella Ray.*



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December 29, 2018 at 02:49 PM

JR

“ James And Mary Roberts lit a candle in memory of Lou Ella Ray



James and Mary Roberts - December 29, 2018 at 02:35 PM

CM

“ So very sorry to hear of the passing of Lou Ella she will be missed all ! I loved Lou because she was honest and she wasn't afraid to tell you the truth .God bless her family and her special little sweetheart Abby ! Love you all very much ,Carolyn Moles

Carolyn Moles - December 29, 2018 at 02:33 PM

TR

So sorry to hear of passing of Lou Ella Ray.Praying for the family.God Bless The FAMILY.We love you all.

Tonie&Margie Ray - December 29, 2018 at 07:06 PM

PB

When I first moved to Rose Hill right in front of the tiger mart. She was the first person I met. We become friends and then I worked for her. Great Lady will be greatly missed by many. Rest in Peace my friend.

Pauline Berry - December 29, 2018 at 08:28 PM

BS

“ We loved Lou and enjoyed visiting with her at the store and also at the diner. When on the mail route, David had hotdogs for lunch at the store. Sometimes after we retired, we'd drive up to the store, Lou fixed our lunch, we would talk awhile and then sit outside and have our lunch. We loved her! Loving thoughts and prayers for you all, Bo and David Seals

Bo Seals - December 29, 2018 at 02:14 PM