



Mary "Louise" Eldridge

June 14, 1941 - April 10, 2020

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“Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.” Proverbs 31:10, 29

The Lord called our jewel home in the passing of Mary “Louise” Eldridge on Friday, April 10, 2020, from her home in Jonesville, VA, surrounded by her husband of nearly 60 years, Rev. Bud Eldridge, and family. Louise was born on June 14, 1941 to Lloyd and Nannie (Bledsoe) Hood in Big Stone Gap. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by an adopted sister and brother, Martha (Hood) Barker and Freddy Hood. She laid two infant daughters, Donna and Theresa, to rest in the Lord’s arms many years ago.

Louise is survived by her husband, Rev. Bud Eldridge, of the home; two sons, Jeff (Maryann) Eldridge and Mike (Naomi) Eldridge, all of Jonesville; one daughter, Karen Eldridge (Alan Bailey), of Woodway, VA; ten beloved grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, whom she loved with all her heart. She demonstrated unwavering and unconditional love for her family every day as there was never a moment when she wasn’t cooking something special for one of “her babies”, or hugging and patting them on them. Her

lasting legacy to them remains that “God and Grandma loves you.” She stands forever as our hero, and a shining example of the person we all hope to be.

Louise is also survived by her beloved aunts, Mary Bledsoe of Big Stone Gap, Jean Estep of Memphis, TN, Cleda Lawson of Marlboro, MD, and by a step-brother, Willie Earl (Betty) Greer of Evarts, KY, as well as a host of cousins, nieces and nephews. Louise loved her special friends, Pat Talbot of Grover Hill, OH, Trena (Spec) Sturgill of Rogersville, TN, Anna Owens of Jonesville and Kathleen Meddle of Rose Hill, VA, with all her heart.

Louise was of the Baptist faith, and happily served alongside her husband in various churches throughout the area. She had a deep love and affection for her Lord and Savior, always thankful to read His word, sing His praises and write an affectionate letter to Him each day to thank Him for her blessings and to praise Him for His never-ending love and mercy. Louise lived and worked at various factories and nursing homes in northwest Ohio, cherishing the friendships she made while there, yet she thanked God every day for the past 30 years for allowing her to return to her beloved mountains.

The family will receive friend from 11 until 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at Robinette Funeral Home in Jonesville. Please be aware that only 10 people will be allowed in the building at any one time. A sermon of God’s love and mercy will follow at 1:00 p.m., and will be available for viewing online. Burial will follow near the family home in the Eldridge Family Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Jonesville)
146 Maple Drive
P.O. Box 238
Jonesville, VA 24263
(276) 346-1196

Funeral Service

APR 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary "Louise" Eldridge*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Prayers n hugs for all. Much love.*

Cathy Talbott Newman - April 18, 2020 at 04:31 PM



“ *Amber M Scalf lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge*



Amber M Scalf - April 18, 2020 at 01:38 PM



She was a true friend and caring for all in her life. It was so nice to work with her at WEX. She was a true work friend and sweet just like the candy always on her desk. Rest In Peace Mary. You will be missed

cora McNulty - September 23, 2020 at 05:29 AM



“ *Jim & Karen Mullins lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge*



Jim & Karen Mullins - April 18, 2020 at 01:14 PM

TS

“ So sorry for your loss. With our deepest condolences. We love you Bud and Family.



Trena Sturgill - April 17, 2020 at 08:20 PM

TS

“ Trena Sturgill lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge



Trena Sturgill - April 17, 2020 at 08:14 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary "Louise" Eldridge.



April 17, 2020 at 06:31 PM

CB

“ Sorry to hear this! Louise and I worked together a few years back. We always had lunch together , talked, laughed and cried together. Love and prayers for her precious family!

Connie Bishop - April 17, 2020 at 06:29 PM

LS

“ I met Louise on July 4, 1960 when Uncle Bud brought her to see us in Lima, Ohio and introduced her as his bride. She was 19, redhaired, animated, and sweet to us kids. I was 10 and loved her right away. Over the decades she remained sweet, generous of heart and caring. Our family is diminished by her loss. I hope she and Mom are laughing together.

Laurene Scalf - April 17, 2020 at 03:24 PM

LK

“ Laurene Scalf and Keith Kimmel purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary "Louise" Eldridge.



Laurene Scalf and Keith Kimmel - April 17, 2020 at 03:09 PM

TS

“ My dear friend may you fly high up in heaven with your angel wing's on. As I sit and reminisce about the year's gone by our friendship will never die. You will forever be in my heart. You was always a inspiration to me throughout the years we spent together. Even though you are gone to heaven you give me inspiration to live on in this old world. We had some great time's together my dear friend, just sitting and talking, Laughing, going fishing, going for a ride in the convertible to get a ice cream. We had a great time that day. Anytime I had a problem in life you were always there for me. Just because your gone from the old world our memories together will always live on in my heart and thoughts everyday. You are loved and missed.
My Angel in heaven... Louise

Trena Sturgill - April 17, 2020 at 11:39 AM

TS

Condolences to the family with lots of love.

Trena Sturgill - April 17, 2020 at 07:38 PM

LE

“ *Grandma where to begin!! Thirteen years ago I was introduced into your family! Not a time went by that I left your home hungry, without kisses, and without you telling me you were praying for me always. How I wish I could go back to the simpler times with you when you were not sick and you were teaching me sew and crochet! Thanks for being a inspirational Christian women to me and your grand children who will also miss you dearly!!! Until we meet again grams.*

Leanna Eldridge/Allen - April 17, 2020 at 07:44 AM

LG

“ *Linda Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge*



Linda Gilbert - April 15, 2020 at 12:27 PM

CN

“ *Charlene Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge*



Charlene Nelson - April 14, 2020 at 02:34 PM

BC

“ *Betty Crusenberry sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge*



Betty Crusenberry - April 14, 2020 at 02:23 PM

JC

“ *JBruce Catron lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge*



JBruce Catron - April 14, 2020 at 10:38 AM

LK

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. God bless and comfort your in these trying times. . You all are in my prayers brother Bud.*



Linda Kinser - April 14, 2020 at 09:34 AM

AG

“ *A lady with a ready smile and a kind word. The Grover Hill Baptist ladies group always had a great time of fellowship gathered at her table. God bless and comfort you all, Al and Gail Gribble*

Al and Gail Gribble - April 13, 2020 at 09:14 PM

LS

“ So sorry for your loss.



Lana Sutphin - April 13, 2020 at 07:08 PM

DJ

“ What a beautiful memorial to a loving woman. We grew up together - she in Big Stone Gap, Va and my sister Phyllis Venable and I in Kingsport , Tn. Our mothers were sisters. My mother Dovie Bledsoe Johnson was particularly fond of Mary Louise. Mother decided to change her and she chose “Louise” after Mary Louise. Mary Louise had beautiful thick strawberry blonde hair that was never in place or out of place. She was a bit of a tomboy and we climbed trees together. She was full of laughter. And when I saw her last June in hospital we had time to share many happy remembrances of our childhood days together. She was still laughing and thanking God for her full life filled with love from her dear husband and their children.

Diana Johnson-Martin - April 13, 2020 at 03:13 PM

KE

Thank you so much Diana. I've tried to find you or Phyllis number to call you personally. So I'm glad you were able to find out. We of course understand if you all cannot attend in person but can view online through the funeral home website. Much love to all

Karen Eldridge - April 13, 2020 at 03:23 PM

DS

“ LOUISE I HAVE LOVED YOU LIKE MY OWN MOM AND I HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO HOLD YOU CLOSE TO MY HEART OF THE TIMES WE HAD. YOU ARE GOING TO BE MISSED BUT GOD AND THE LOVED ONES THAT HAVE WAITED FOR YOU ARE WANTING YOU NOW SO LOOK OVER REST OF US AND BE ARE GUARDIAN ANGEL AND WE WILL BE THERE SOON TO JOIN YOU. GIVE THE TWINS A LOVE HUG FOR ME AND ILL SEE YOU SOON. LOVE YOU SO MUCH DIANA.

DIANA SERRAO - April 13, 2020 at 03:12 PM

PS

“ Polly Snodgrass lit a candle in memory of Mary "Louise" Eldridge



Polly Snodgrass - April 13, 2020 at 03:05 PM