



## Phyllis Lee Munsey

June 15, 1944 - December 27, 2025

Phyllis Lee Munsey, 81, of Jonesville, VA, passed away on Saturday, December 27, 2025, after a brief illness. She was with family members and the Waters of Bristol family by her side when she was called Home by her Savior.

Phyllis was born on June 15, 1944, and grew up in Rockville, Maryland, where she met her husband of 61 years, William Munsey, and then relocated to Jonesville, Virginia.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Grace Ankney, and her older brother Jimmy Tom Ankney. She is survived by her son Ben Munsey and daughter Robin Munsey Robbins and husband Dave. She is also survived by her younger brother Robert "Bob" Ankney. She is also survived by her three granddaughters, Allison, Leanna and Logan, plus a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and many, many friends.

Phyllis was a teacher's aide when she relocated to Jonesville with her husband and later, a florist (The Flower Gallery shop owner) in the Town of Jonesville and Rose Hill until she and her husband purchased and operated West Town Supermarket. Phyllis was a founding member of the Jonesville Rescue Squad and a dedicated EMT. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Jonesville and a devoted member of her community. During her

children's Jonesville High School years, Phyllis loved supporting not just her two Bulldogs, Ben and Robin, but all Bulldogs. Phyllis and her dear friend, Cheryl McPherson, were often spotted at midnight posting signs and banners across not just in the town of Jonesville, but throughout the traveling path of the outbound buses carrying the Bulldogs to District, Region and State competitions. Rain, shine or 30 degrees, Phyllis, Cheryl, and other friends displayed passion and support for the children and the Jonesville community.

In 2008 Phyllis was diagnosed with Stage 4 uterine cancer and given less than 3 years to live. However, being determined to beat Stage 4 uterine cancer while helping others, she entered a research program to help find a treatment and a hopeful cure. Phyllis sacrificed for 9 years, enduring experimental drugs and treatments to help the research teams. She won the battle and had been cancer-free for 8 years. She did not boast that she was part of the research that discovered a treatment for Stage 4 uterine cancer, which was once untreatable, but she did offer her testimony to other cancer patients encouraging them to stay positive, have faith and know there's hope. She was truly an inspiration to others, and by her sacrifice for 9 years, there is hope for Stage 4 uterine cancer patients moving forward.

In her spare time, she loved spending time with her husband, children and family, and taking care of their pet dogs, working puzzles with her granddaughter Logan on snow days, knitting hundreds of décor made with a variety of yarns and threads, and especially enjoyed preparing for the holidays where she'd always make everyone's "favorites." In her life, she was called daughter, wife, sister, mom, Aunt Phyllis, Aunt Phil, Philly, and most affectionately, Momma Phil. All of those aspects of Phyllis will be deeply missed for so many reasons. The family would like to thank Angela Thomas, Thelma Welch, Gail Smith, Laura and Charles Arney, Rob Hines, Jerry Harris, Buffy Burgan and Sherrif Gary Parsons for all the extra support and help they have provided through both of our parents' illnesses.

The family will receive friends from 5 until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 3, 2026, at Robinette Funeral Home in Jonesville. The funeral service will begin at 7:00 p.m. with Tracy McPherson officiating.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 4, 2026, in the Marshall Cemetery on Lower Wallens Creek Road in Jonesville. Anyone who would like to travel in procession to the cemetery are asked to meet at the funeral home by 1:15 p.m. on Sunday. Everyone is welcome to come to Three Bells Church in Duffield, VA, to share a meal with the family after the graveside service.

Pallbearers will be Richard Munsey, Ross Munsey, Daryl Ankney, Richard Sizemore, Terry Clark, Charlie Gibbons, Steve Munsey, Mason Munsey, Randy Crumley and Cecil Miles. Honorary pallbearers will be David Robbins and Jeff Dye.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Appalachian Harvest Food Box Program, PO Box 475, Duffield, VA 24244.

Online condolences may be sent by visiting, [www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com](http://www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com). Robinette Funeral Home of Jonesville, VA is serving the Munsey family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 3. 7:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

CO

“ Chris Osborne lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey



Chris Osborne - January 05 at 03:57 PM

DR

“ Debbie Robbins purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Phyllis Lee Munsey.



Debbie Robbins - December 31, 2025 at 02:06 PM

DR

“ Debbie Robbins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Lee Munsey.

Debbie Robbins - December 31, 2025 at 02:06 PM

CT

“ Cindy Thomas lit a candle in memory Phyllis Munsey May God Blessed All



Cindy Thomas - December 31, 2025 at 12:53 AM

PH

“ *Pam Hines lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey*



**Pam Hines** - December 30, 2025 at 10:27 PM

MF

“ *Mark Fortner lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey*



**Mark Fortner** - December 30, 2025 at 05:59 PM

MC

“ *MARY CLEM lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey*



**MARY CLEM** - December 30, 2025 at 01:58 PM



“ *Jack Jones lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey*



**Jack Jones** - December 30, 2025 at 09:15 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Phyllis Lee Munsey.*



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December 30, 2025 at 09:08 AM



“ *Shelia Belcher lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey*



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**Shelia Belcher** - December 29, 2025 at 10:43 PM



“ *Joyce Ann Clark lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Lee Munsey*



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**Joyce Ann Clark** - December 29, 2025 at 10:41 PM



*Thank you, Joyce. Your kindness is very much appreciated.*

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**R. Robbins** - January 09 at 10:46 AM