



Rita Christine Wallen

December 27, 1954 - January 16, 2020

Rita Christine Wallen, 65, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, January 16, 2020, after a lengthy illness.

Rita was born on December 27, 1954 to the late Carson and Maggie Lawson Johnson, in Daniels, MD. Rita was a loving and devoted wife and mother. She accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior, and was baptized at the same time as her daughter, Heather, in 1994. Rita joined West View Primitive Baptist Church where she was a faithful member.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Latrina Upman.

Left to cherish her memories are her husband of 46 years, Richard Wallen; her loving daughter, Heather Wallen; sister, Patricia Richards and husband Jim; mother-in-law, Gracie Wallen; several nieces and nephews, and a host of close friends and relatives.

The family will receive friends from 5 until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 19, at West View Primitive Baptist Church, 1040 Riverside Avenue, Kingsport, TN. A visitation will also be held from 12 until 1:00 p.m. on Monday, January 20, at Robinette Funeral Home in Blackwater, VA. Funeral services will follow on Monday at 1:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Elder Bernice Sybert and Elder Oscar Irvin officiating. Graveside services will follow in the Osborne

Cemetery in Blackwater. Pallbearers will be family and friends.

The family would like to thank Dr. Kevin Mischia and his nurse, Carrie, Rita's caregiver, Michelle Shaffer, and Amedisys Hospice for their excellent care - especially Jodie Schaffer, Angela Hensley and Pastor Rick Dinkins, Chaplain. A special thanks is also extended to Rita's niece Melissa Walton for her endearing Christian witness and support throughout Rita's illness.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

West View Primitive Baptist Church
1040 Riverside Avenue
Kingsport, TN 37660

Visitation

JAN 20. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Blackwater)
696 A.J.Osborne Hwy
Blackwater, VA 24221
(276) 346-2636

Funeral Service

JAN 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rita Christine Wallen*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Richard,*

I went to school with you and Rita. She was a sweet person. I'm so sorry for your loss, but joyous of her testimony of salvation. May the Lord comfort you and the family as only He can.

Shirley Osborne Baker

Shirley Baker - January 21, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rita Christine Wallen.*



January 19, 2020 at 02:42 PM



“ *J. Bruce Catron lit a candle in memory of Rita Christine Wallen*



J. Bruce Catron - January 18, 2020 at 05:05 PM

JH

“ *Richard and the Wallen Family -*

Your lose and the sadness of Ms. Rita's passing is in our thoughts and prayers. Your entire family has and will forever be part of us all, the Hurd's.

I trust that the comforts of the Holy Spirit are abundant throughout the Wallen family.

Peace to all,....Jeff and Terri Hurd



Jeff Hurd - January 18, 2020 at 01:18 PM

JS

“ *So very sorry to learn of the passing of Rita Lawson Wallen. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends. Joyce and Carl Snead (Betty Jo & Tommy Lawson's niece and husband)*

Joyce & Carl Snead - January 18, 2020 at 12:03 AM

LP

“ *Lois Persinger lit a candle in memory of Rita Christine Wallen*



Lois Persinger - January 17, 2020 at 04:27 PM