



Doris Dunn Berta

December 5, 1925 - June 22, 2017

Big Stone Gap, VA

Doris Dunn Berta, 91, passed away on Thursday (June 22, 2017) at Holston Valley Medical Center's Wilcox Hall.

She was born in the Taylors Valley area of Washington County, VA and lived most of her life in Big Stone Gap. She was a graduate of Concord College in West Virginia. Doris was a retired physical education teacher with the Wise County Public Schools, having served for over 35 years. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Big Stone Gap where she was a member of the Wesleyan Circle.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Rev. Joseph "Joe" Berta; her parents, William and Carrie (Forrester) Dunn; and two sisters, Violet Dunn and Janet Acree.

Surviving are her son, William Joseph "Billy Joe" Berta and wife, Patricia Clarke Berta; two grandchildren, Candice Marie Berta and Ashley Brianne Berta; and one great grandson, Sawyer William Frati, all of Vancouver, WA.

The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at Trinity United Methodist Church (203 E. 1st St., S.) in Big Stone Gap.

Funeral services will be conducted at 5 p.m. in the church sanctuary with Rev. Terry Goodman and Rev. Ronnie Mutter officiating.

Graveside committal services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens. Friends are asked to meet at the cemetery by 9:50 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to Trinity United Methodist Church, 203 E. 1st St., S., Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

To view the obituary online and offer condolences, please visit www.holdingfuneralhome.com.

Holding Funeral Home is serving the Mrs. Berta's family.

Cemetery Details

Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

5650 Powell Valley Road
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
(276) 679-0030

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **25**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church
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Service

JUN **25**. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Committal Service

JUN **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Doris Dunn Berta*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *My sympathy at this difficult time. So sorry I couldn't attend services for this beautiful friend. I learned so much from her and value the friendship we shared.*

Patricia Bowden - June 29, 2017 at 06:11 PM



“ *I thought the world of this lady, she was such an inspiration to me during my high school years at Appalachia. She was one of my favorite teachers.*



Scottie (Bailey) Pitts - June 27, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ *Such a beautiful lady inside and out. Prayers for her friends and family in the coming days.*

Amy Elkins

Amy Elkins - June 25, 2017 at 01:42 PM

TZ

“ I love you Mrs Berta. You was a very good friend and I enjoyed our talks. Loved seeing you smile and tell me stories. I will never forget you. Thank you for always encouraging me to be the best when I was in school. You were the best. Love you my friend. RIP.



Tricia Zpeters - June 24, 2017 at 11:24 PM

JK

“ We send our sincere condolences to the Berta family. She was a gracious lady.



Jim and Jamie Egan Kelly - June 24, 2017 at 07:28 PM

LJ

“ Lisa Johnson lit a candle in memory of Doris Dunn Berta

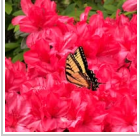


lisa johnson - June 24, 2017 at 05:47 PM

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“ My condolences to Billy Joe and your family on the loss of your mother. It was a pleasure to know the Berta family during my King College years.

Edgar Torbert - June 24, 2017 at 06:51 AM



“ *Lynne Tull lit a candle in memory of Doris Dunn Berta*



Lynne Tull - June 23, 2017 at 11:56 PM



“ *Carla Richardson lit a candle in memory of Doris Dunn Berta*



Carla Richardson - June 23, 2017 at 11:31 PM

SC

“ I spoke with Mrs. Berta a couple of weeks ago by phone telling her about our 50th Reunion. She was so excited for us and hoping to come. I am so glad that I shared with her my wonderful memories of PE class and how much we all enjoyed the dancing on Fridays. She reminisced about what a fantastic program she and Bob Taylor had at Appalachia during that time. I said, "Yes, except the tumbling!" She said, "Sandra, did you not like the tumbling?" I laughed and said, "No, not at all." I said, "we all loved Fridays and dancing with the guys and learning the folk dancing, though." Then, I did sneak and tell that we were going to surprise her and Mr, Taylor and do the Virginia Reel at the Reunion. She was so excited that we would want to do that for her. I am so glad that I shared that with her. Before we hung up, she said, "Sandra, you have made my day." I said, "Mrs. Berta, you have no idea how much you have made mine! Love you, Sandra Clark Coleman "You will be missed on August 5, 2017, but we know you are at peace and in no pain."



Sandra (Clark) Coleman - June 23, 2017 at 08:17 PM

DM

“ Deborah Mullins lit a candle in memory of Doris Dunn Berta



Deborah Mullins - June 23, 2017 at 06:05 PM