



## Marcella Wright Hopkins

February 18, 1935 - November 2, 2022

On Wednesday, November 2, 2022 Marcella Wright Hopkins, loving wife, mother of two sons and grandmother of four, passed away in Canton MS at the age of 87.

Marcella was born on February 18, 1935 in Big Stone Gap, Va to Lawrence and Helen (Henry) Wright. It was in Big Stone that she met the love of her life Atwell Wayne Hopkins, together they enjoyed 62 years of marriage. They raised two sons Mark Wayne Hopkins and Timothy Scott Hopkins. Marcella was a Registered Nurse who's career spanned 4 decades and two states while working first at Johnston-Willis Hospital in Richmond, VA and then Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, NC. Marcella was also a tireless worker for her churches, teaching Sunday School, singing in the choir, member of the Methodist Women's group, volunteering at ALL the breakfasts, dinners, and luncheons, and working with the church's youth.

Marcella was preceded in death by her father Lawrence, her mother Helen, her husband Atwell and her son Tim. She is survived by her son Mark and his wife Marty Hopkins of Canton MS, her daughter-in-law Dee Hopkins of Blacksburg, VA, and her grandchildren Will Hopkins and his wife Hannah Anne Scott Hopkins, Clay Hopkins and Collette Herrington.

A funeral service will be held to celebrate her life on Saturday November 12th, 2022 2pm at the Powel Valley Memorial Gardens Cemetery 5650 Powell Valley Rd, Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

An online register is available for the family at [www.holdingfuneralhome.com](http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com)

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation in Marcella's memory to the Dementia Society of America <https://dementiasociety.org>

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mrs. Hopkins

# Cemetery Details

## Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

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

# Previous Events

## Burial

NOV 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Marcella Wright Hopkins*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Just found out about my friend Marcella. Now I know why I couldn't reach her by phone this past year. I want Mark and family to know I loved your sweet mom. Betty Apperson Jan 13 2023*

**Betty Apperson** - January 13, 2023 at 03:42 PM



“ *Marcella was a dear friend and neighbor.. I will always remember her smile, her sweet and gentle nature and her kindness to everyone.*  
*Jean Wheeler*

**jean Wheeler** - December 02, 2022 at 11:32 AM



“ *We were neighbors on Dixon street in Appalachia, classmates in Big Stone Gap and renewed our friendship at East Stone Gap and Big Stone Gap high school reunions. She was a very special person.*

**kyle cooper** - November 11, 2022 at 08:07 PM