



Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron

December 28, 1920 - September 12, 2015

“I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.”-Romans 8:18

Big Stone Gap, Va.

Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron entered into eternal rest on Saturday (Sept. 12, 2015), after a ten year battle with Alzheimer's.

Maxie was born to the late George and Rebecca McKinney on December 28, 1920. She had a natural talent and studied piano under Mrs. Gibbs while at Appalachia High School. Maxie served the Lord as a pianist at Heritage Church of God for more than 30 years. In later years she became a member of First Baptist Church in Big Stone Gap and also attended East Stone Gap United Methodist Church.

Maxie volunteered at Lonesome Pine Hospital, the June Tolliver House, the John Fox, Jr. Museum and the Southwest Virginia Museum.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Earl Herron; daughter, Jenelle Hamilton; five sisters; son-in-law, Lawrence C. Hamilton; and a daughter-in-law, Sonia Jane Herron.

Left to cherish her memories are her daughter and son-in-law, Jerry and Brenda Palmer, with whom she lived with over the past nine years. Also surviving are three sons, Bobby E. Herron, P. Eugene (Janet) Herron and Donnie B. (Montana) Herron; two brothers, George McKinney, Jr. and Richard McKinney; five sisters, Marcella Lambert, Novella Hassloak , Connie Guill, Jackie Winder and Freda Mabe; eleven grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

A special thanks to First Choice, Dena, Charlotte, Desa and to Dr. Maloney and nurse, Kathy.

Friends and family will meet at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens to celebrate her life at 1:00 p.m. Monday (September 14, 2015) with Pastor Brad Stapleton officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to any of the above mentioned churches.

To view the obituary online, offer condolences or sign the online registry, please visit
www.holdingfuneralhome.com.

Holding Funeral Home is serving Mrs. Herron's family.

Cemetery Details

Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Maxie was one of the most beautiful souls I've ever had the pleasure to know. Always a smile, always a kind word. I met her while working as a candy striper at Lonesome Pine Hospital. She became a "supper buddy", as we both worked Friday nights (along with another dearly departed friend, Jennie McKinney). Maxie and Jennie imparted so much wisdom to a young heart. She was one of those people who made you feel better just by being around them. I miss you, my friend, but I know I'll see you one day in Heaven.*

Amanda Clark - October 09, 2015 at 06:59 PM



“ *My Aunt Maxi was a beautiful and kind soul. Our thoughts and prayers go to Brenda and all of her loved ones. I know heaven just received another beautiful angel... We love you Aunt Maxi.*

Deborah Akers-Cordivano - September 17, 2015 at 03:11 AM



“ *I am very sorry to hear about Maxie . She was a very fine lady. I remember her walks .*

George Polly - September 16, 2015 at 01:35 PM

KK

“ *Kathy Kleineick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron*



Kathy Kleineick - September 15, 2015 at 07:31 AM

BS

“ *Brenda (Trinkle) Sturgill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron*



Brenda (Trinkle) Sturgill - September 14, 2015 at 10:29 AM



“ *I'll always remember Maxie as a wonderful, soft-spoken, beautiful lady. I got to know her when I worked at Lonesome Pine Hospital, and we had a lot of long talks. Mostly about family. She and my parents lived in Inman when they were growing up, and she would love to tell me stories about that time in her life. Rest in peace, dear friend!*



Sandra Marshall - September 14, 2015 at 09:44 AM

ST

“ *Sandy Day Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron*



Sandy Day Thomas - September 14, 2015 at 07:30 AM



“ Gary Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron



Gary Johnson - September 14, 2015 at 06:50 AM



“ Heaven is a brighter place now that Maxie has enter heaven. She was a sweet lady always with a smile on her face. She made wonderful memories volunteering as a pink lady at lonesome pine hospital along with my mother Ruth Johnson & another friend of hers mrs. Riddle.



lisa johnson - September 13, 2015 at 08:32 PM



“ Heaven has gained another angel. Maxie always gave a hug and smile to all.



Delcina Wells - September 13, 2015 at 07:24 PM



“ Maxie was a very special sister-in-law and sister. She lived her faith. We loved her very much. May she rest in God's Heavenly Peace.

George McKinney Jr. and Elizabeth H. McKinney

Elizabeth McKinney - September 13, 2015 at 05:12 PM

BC

“ Page and I send our love and blessings to you, Brenda, Jerry, and Kenny...Maxie was a sweetheart...she'll surely light up heaven...



Barbara and Page Campbell - September 13, 2015 at 04:09 PM

LJ

“ Maxie was a beautiful & sweet lady with a smile always on her face.. She was my mother's best friend. My mother Ruth Johnson & Maxie was in the pink ladies & volunteer together at lonesome pine hospital along with Gladys stamper. I find confort in knowing that my mother Maxie & Gladys r together in heaven.
God bless the family
Lisa johnson



lisa johnson - September 13, 2015 at 01:31 PM

DH

“ Maxie Go Go, such a beautiful lovely women who would light up the room with a smile. I have many fond memories of Maxie, one of them is when she looked at me with the biggest smile and said "you are so pretty" while holding and patting my hand. :)

Deanna Hafemeister - September 13, 2015 at 10:56 AM

AF

So sorry for your families loss. Maxie was so precious . I don't think that i ever saw her that she didn't have a big smile on her face.Heaven has surely gained another angel.

Anita Fisher - September 14, 2015 at 12:18 AM

KA

“ Such a beautiful woman .. inside and out. Maxie was one of the people that made my family feel so welcome when we moved to BSG. She always made our children feel loved and welcome, playing tunes for them on the piano and showing them that she had a strong, caring heart.. You children are a testament to the wonderful woman she was. God blessed her with patience, understanding, and love which she passed on to her lovely family. May God bless you all as you settle into a life without her kind disposition. I love you all. Karon Johnson

Karon - September 13, 2015 at 10:12 AM

CG

“ What a wonderful lady!! Bob and I so enjoyed walking with her at the park for many years, she always had so much energy and was very encouraging to us, we just loved her. God bless and keep her family, they are all such special people!! Love and hugs to all!
Charlotte & Bob Gatley

Charlotte Gatley - September 13, 2015 at 09:07 AM

LK

“ We will always have special thoughts of Maxie and her family..such a sweet lady..thoughts and prayers for the family in their loss of their Mother, sister, and friend

Lynn Klepper
Ann Vanhook
Elizabeth Brooks

LYNN KLEPPER - September 13, 2015 at 09:06 AM

JY

“ I have fond memories of Maxie,when she volunteered @ Lonesome Pine!! God Bless & B with U Brenda & family!! Love & Prayers!!
Jack & Regina Yates

Jack & Regina Yates - September 13, 2015 at 08:57 AM

DB

“ Donnie & Abbie Blair lit a candle in memory of
Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron



Donnie & Abbie Blair - September 13, 2015 at 08:32 AM

DB


Deepest sympathy to the family.

Donnie & Abbie Blair - September 13, 2015 at 08:33 AM

CK

“ I loved Maxie and I felt her love for me with every greeting! She was a special lady and will never forget her encouraging, selfless manner she lived. Love and prayers to my forever friend, Brenda and all of her family! May the Peace of God reign in your hearts!

Carolyn Ketchersid - September 13, 2015 at 08:00 AM

 Regina Pleasant-Queen

“ Maxie always had a beautiful smile and hugs for us all. I will forever hold her in my heart .

Regina Pleasant-Queen - September 13, 2015 at 07:33 AM

FP

“ Frankie Price lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron



frankie price - September 12, 2015 at 10:28 PM

FP

SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS,,LOVED MAXIE.SHE WAS A FINE AND GRACIOUS LADY,GOD BLESS

frankie price - September 12, 2015 at 10:31 PM



Truly a beautiful woman inside and out. You will be missed.

CE McKinney-Douglas - September 13, 2015 at 08:07 AM

GW

“ Maxie has always been one of the finest women I've known. In her earlier years, she knew you where ever you were and such a gentle spirit. My very best to the families she leaves behind and may God bless them.



My greatest respect and condolences to Brenda and Jerry for all the work it took to keep her at home. I've been thru it and mine was not as stressful as yours so I understand. God bless you both.

Georgann Wampler - September 12, 2015 at 10:26 PM

CB

“ Carolyn Barker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron



Carolyn Barker - September 12, 2015 at 09:15 PM

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GE

“ Geraldine sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron



Geraldine - September 12, 2015 at 08:55 PM

DL

“ Danny &Debbie Lambert lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron



Danny &Debbie Lambert - September 12, 2015 at 08:51 PM

EB

“ *Elaine Burton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maxie Lee McKinney Herron*



Elaine Burton - September 12, 2015 at 08:42 PM

EK

“ *REST IN PEACE MAXIE. YOU WAS SUCH A FINE LADY. I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER WHEN WE ALL LIVED ON AVIATION ROAD.IT WAS SUCH A GOOD TIME. I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOU AND LOVE YOU. WITH MUCH LOVE AND SYMPATHY TO YOUR FAMILY. MAY GOD COMFORT THEM. EVELYN KELLEY AND FAMILY*

EVELYN KELLEY - September 12, 2015 at 08:34 PM