



Ruby Lee Christian

January 18, 1942 - May 11, 2013

East Stone Gap, VA

Ruby Lee Christian, 71, passed away on Saturday (May 11, 2013) at the home of her daughter in Pikeville, KY.

She was a lifelong resident of Wise County, VA and was of Baptist faith.

Ruby was preceded in death by her husband, Earl Andrew Christian; son, Earl Andrew Christian, Jr.; two granddaughters, Kristen Rhoten and Paisley Glover; mother, Francis Ring Fogarty; father, Bud Fogarty; sister, Peggy Eldridge Parsons; and three brothers, James Edward Fogarty, Eugene Fogarty and Denny Fogarty.

She is survived by her children, Teddy Christian, Kathy Rhoten and husband Kenneth, Pat Horton Tucker and husband Freddie, Pam Johnson and husband Stan, Jamie Christian and wife Tonya, and Kevin Christian and fiancé Lisa Johnson; grandchildren, Tabatha Wills, Desirea Christian, Chris Rutherford, Blake Rhoten, Bryan Horton, David Horton, III, Heather Ellis Glover, Jessica Ellis and fiancé Charlie Taylor, Megan Ellis and fiancé Cody Nowlin, Nikki Christian and fiancé Will Fields, Austin Cooper, Dylan Cooper, Ryan Christian, Ashleigh Christian and Mikey Land; great grandchildren, Kamalynn Burchell, Ryleigh Burchell, Audrina Glover, Landon Fields, Sophia Horton, and two unborn great grandchildren; two brothers, Buford Fogarty of Coeburn, VA and Coy Fogarty of Palm Desert, CA; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday (May 14, 2013) at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap, VA.

A Celebration of Life song service will follow at 7 p.m. on Tuesday in the funeral home chapel.

Mrs. Christian's cemetery services are private in the Glencoe Cemetery Mausoleum.

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

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the Christian family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruby Lee Christian*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM

PT

“ *Have been blue this morning , lord I miss you ! Just woke up crying ! Miss u !
Love you forever mom ! Pat*

pat tucker - September 29, 2016 at 01:53 AM

PA

“ *Missing you this Mother's Day! I will cherish all you have done for Bryan & David!
Rest in peace , until we meet again! Yesterday , the lord called you home , and
we'll see you again! Love your daughter , Pat*

pat - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

AS

“ *I loved Granny as if she were my Granny... She always made me feel like family...
I can hear her now "Whatcha doin Skinny?... Let me fix you something to eat... All
you need is some corn bread, fried taters, and soup beans to fatten you up"...
She was an amazing woman... It was an honor to know her... I will forever cherish
the times I spent with her..*

Alyson Sturgill - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

DC

“ *To my beautiful, amazing family: I love you all dearly and I am deeply saddened
that I cannot be there to support you and morn with you as well. Just know that
she is in a better place and is now reunited with dad, kristen, and papaw. If I know
dad they are likely talking about frying up some catfish.(Haha) I love you guys
and miss you all very much.*

Desirea Christian - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

HP

“ I want to say I had the honor to call Ruby my mother-in-law for a brief moment many years ago. I remember her as a loving, hard working woman that made her family her world. Her cooking was something I still remember as some of the best I had ever had and she seemed to be everyone's mom. I know she is no longer suffering and I'm sure happy to be reunited with those that have gone before her but I have to say it's not as bright today without her here. Wish I could be there. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Holly

Holly Pruitt - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

CD

“ My heart felt condolences to the family. I didnt know Ms. Ruby, but I did know 2 of her sons and from all the things I have heard I would have loved to meet her. God bless her and hold her family in His arms.

Carol Dill - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

TM

“ The family is in my prayers!

Teresa Mason - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

AH

“ Kathy, you and your family are in my prayers.

Alex Hounshel - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM

EJ

“ Ruby gave me my first cooking lesson! Helping her make scrambled eggs on the old cook stove. I thought that was just grand! And there is none better than her daughter Kathy, we grew up together in BSG

Ellen(Barnette) Jackson - December 10, 2013 at 08:09 AM