



Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner

May 29, 1930 - April 3, 2024

Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner, age 93, passed away in the comfort of her home and surrounded by her loved ones, on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, following a long-term illness.

Born in the Inman Community of Appalachia, VA, to the late John and Rebecca Davis, Sr., on May 29, 1930, Ruby devoted her life to being a loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, and grandmother. A hard-working homemaker, Ruby loved her family, and took care of more kids than she ever could have imagined having. She was an excellent cook, who enjoyed preparing Sunday dinners for her family and friends. Her famous biscuits and gravy and fried chicken will surely be missed. Of the religious faith and being passionate for her community, Ruby served in numerous churches throughout Southwest Virginia, singing her praises to the Lord. Ruby was a ten-year member of Keokee Free Pentecostal Church of Keokee, VA. Ruby will be missed dearly by all of her loving family and friends.

Other than her parents, Ruby is preceded in death by her devoted husband of forty-four years, Jimmy Varner; one son, Gearald Varner; one daughter, Patty Kiser; five sisters, Dorothy Polly, Gladys Akers, Patricia "Pat" Rose, Pauline Davis and Shelby Jean McKinney; and two brothers, James Davis and John "J.M." Davis, Jr.

Survivors include one son, Mickey (Patricia "Pat") Varner; one daughter/granddaughter, Deonna (Dino) Maggard; one brother, Dewey Davis; seven grandchildren, Mickey (Chasity) Varner, Jr., Clinton "Clint" Varner, Michelle (Jim) Taylor, Missy Varner Potter, Wendy Varner, Dub (Heather) Varner and Megan (Brandon) McCoy; ten great grandchildren, Jace Varner, Jim Taylor, Jr. (Leah), Hunter Taylor, Derrick Varner, Deanna Varner, Madison Varner, Sidney Varner, Brayden McCoy, Gunner McCoy and Kara McCoy; three great-great grandchildren, Tanner, Luke and Braylee; and three special caregivers, Tina Bush, Joyce Durham and Chasity Varner.

A visitation will be held at Holding Funeral Home, in Big Stone Gap, VA, on Sunday, April 7, 2024, from 3-5PM.

Funeral Services will be held, in the funeral home's chapel, on Monday, April 8, 2024, at 1PM, with Pastor John Varner officiating.

Burial to immediately follow at Powell Valley Memorial Gardens in Big Stone Gap, VA.

Family to serve as pallbearers.

A memorial video has been created for family and friends at:
<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/4NJF9SM4Q4XKWJ2C>

Holding Funeral Home of Big Stone Gap, VA is honored to serve the family of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner.

Condolences can be made to the family by visiting our online registry at www.holdingfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Family and Friends

APR 7. 12:00 AM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.
17 E. 3rd St., N.
P. O. Drawer H
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
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Visitation

APR 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Holding Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner*



Holding Funeral Home, Inc. - April 05, 2024 at 11:07 AM

DM

“ *My sincere thoughts and prayers are with Deonna & Dino and all of Ruby's Family, Aunt Ruby always cooked a nice meal for us when we were there visiting from Ohio, and played good music on her Stereo. Mom (Peggy) loved her and Ruby loved her too. They talked on the phone very often. I know you'll miss her,*

Debbie Meyers - April 17, 2024 at 07:01 AM

KF

“ *Kelly & Fats lit a candle in memory of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner*



Kelly & Fats - April 10, 2024 at 11:10 AM

TM

“ Tootie And Michele lit a candle in memory of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner



Tootie and Michele - April 06, 2024 at 09:11 PM

NC

“ Nancy Ellis and Conley purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner.



Nancy Ellis and Conley - April 06, 2024 at 09:55 AM

WC

“ Wilma Clark sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner



Wilma Clark - April 05, 2024 at 02:05 AM

AS

“ I will forever cherish all my childhood memories of you my beautiful, Aunt (Ruby). 🌸
Give my beautiful mama a hug for us in heaven.
You will be forever missed ☐



ann Sebolt - April 05, 2024 at 12:39 AM

SH

Prayers for the family today and days to come .Love you Deonna and Deno wish I was there to be with you .

Sue Hamrick - April 05, 2024 at 11:37 AM

LB

“ *Didn't know this wonderful lady but I worked with her son Gerald I think it's the same one I had not seen or heard anything from him in years Gerald was a great guy and I know his mom was the Greatest also so sorry for the family s loss prayers going out for all members*

Lonnie Brock - April 04, 2024 at 11:47 PM

MV

“ *Missy, Wendy and Derek Varner purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruby "Mamaw" Margaret Varner.*



Missy, Wendy and Derek Varner - April 04, 2024 at 10:05 PM