



## Ruth L. Stapleton

July 7, 1924 - August 12, 2019

Big Stone Gap, VA

Ruth L. Stapleton July 7, 1924- August 12, 2019 (95) died peacefully at home with family close by after a year long illness.

Ruth was born and raised in the area, and was a member of the East Stone Gap Methodist Church. She loved the Lord and was a caring and respected member of the community.

She was employed as a unit secretary at Lonesome Pine Hospital, when it first opened, until her retirement. She returned to LPH to serve as a pink lady with the auxiliary group for many years. She was preceded in death by her parents Nelson and Eva Leonard, her husband Charlie F. Stapleton, Sr. , one son Dennis Stapleton Sr., two brothers; Kenneth and Paul Leonard, two grandchildren C.Frank Stapleton III, and Michele Stapleton Hylton.

She is survived by one son, Charles Stapleton Jr. and wife Loretta of Big Stone Gap, one daughter Patricia Stapleton Hall of Fall Branch TN, Daughter in law Phyllis D. Stapleton of TN, five grandchildren; Col. Michael Stapleton of FL, Dennis Wayne Stapleton Jr., Keith PI Stapleton, Teresa Thompson, Samuel Hall all of TN, brother, Robert Leonard wife Robin, Special Niece Martha of Norton, She was blessed with 18 great grandchildren and 8 great great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, her close companion canine of 17

years "Peanut"

The family sincerely appreciates the compassionate care Ruth was given by Intrepid Home Health and Caris Hospice.

The family will receive friends on Friday (Aug 16th) at Holding Funeral Home from 5 p.m. until 7 at the funeral home in Big Stone Gap, the funeral service will be conducted following in the funeral home's chapel with Pastor Brad Stapleton officiating.

A committal service will be held on Saturday at 10 a.m. in Powell Valley Memorial Gardens those wishing to attend are asked to meet at the funeral home by 9:30 to go in procession.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Holding Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **16**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.  
17 E. 3rd St., N.  
P. O. Drawer H  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219  
1-276-523-1470  
holdingfuneralhome@comcast.net  
<http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com>

## Visitation

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## Funeral Procession

AUG **17**. 9:30 AM (ET)

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## Committal Service

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AUG 17. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth L. Stapleton*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Ruth Geraldine Banks Huff lit a candle in memory of Ruth L. Stapleton*



**Ruth Geraldine Banks Huff** - August 15, 2019 at 06:28 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ruth L. Stapleton.*



August 15, 2019 at 08:16 AM



“ *Debbie Falin lit a candle in memory of Ruth L. Stapleton*



**Debbie Falin** - August 13, 2019 at 09:57 PM

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“ *I have known Ruth since I was a little girl in Appalachia. I worked at LPH when she was a Pink lady. She was a very special friend to me. I loved her dearly. May God Bless you all with sweet memories of your Angel. Love and Prayers, Debbie Clark Falin*

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**Debbie Falin** - August 13, 2019 at 09:56 PM