



## Shirley Louise Harkleroad

June 27, 1930 - July 9, 2012

East Stone Gap, VA

Shirley Louise Harkleroad, 82, passed away on Monday (July 9, 2012) at Heritage Hall Healthcare in Big Stone Gap, VA.

She lived in East Stone Gap, VA for most of her life. She was a nurse in the former Wise Appalachian Hospital in Wise, VA and at the Lonesome Pine Hospital in Big Stone Gap. She was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Big Stone Gap. She was a member of the V. F. W. Post #6975 Ladies Auxiliary in Bristol, VA, John Fox, Jr. V.F.W. Post #5715 Ladies Auxiliary in Big Stone Gap, Col C. H. Hagy Chapter #45 D.A.V. Ladies Auxiliary in Big Stone Gap, and was a Past-District President of District #9 of V. F. W..

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry A. Harkleroad; her parents, David and Ethel (Jones) Ashley; nineteen siblings and a son-in-law, Robert McGuire.

Surviving are two daughters, Trecia Ann McGuire of Blountville, TN and Linda Jean Roach of Big Stone Gap; two granddaughters, Sherrie Lawson and husband, Lynn of Blountville, TN and Ava Jessica Clayton and husband, Ben of Highwaycombe, England; one great grandson, Gannon Swihart; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. on Thursday at Holding Funeral Home (17 E. 3rd St., N.) in Big Stone Gap.

A memorial service will be conducted at 7 p.m. on Thursday in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Alan Collier officiating.

To view the obituary and sign the online registry, please visit [www.holdingfuneralhome.com](http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com).

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Shirley Harkleroad.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Shirley Louise Harkleroad*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *My beloved Mamaw Shirley passed away this morning. I have learned so much about my Mamaw in her last months. I saw her as she must have been when she was younger and although it made me sad that she didn't know me anymore, I loved her more, having that window into how she was in another time. She was a beautiful person inside and out, a feisty lady at times, and always a caring person, taking time out for others. She did so much for other people. She took me to church when I was little. We laughed together until we cried on so many occasions I couldn't tell you and she passed to me the love flowers and gardening. I never learned to sing like her, but from her I realized the importance of a visit and a card to say 'hello'. She always made me feel loved. I will never forget her hugs, her songs, the sound of the chimes on the front porch, and the feeling of just being around her. We had good times together. I will miss her smile and her sense of humor.*

**Ava (Jessica) Vaughan-Clayton** - December 10, 2013 at 08:11 AM



“ *May precious memories comfort you and the caring concern of family and friends carry you during this time of sorrow. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

**Shirley Walters** - December 10, 2013 at 08:11 AM

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“ SHIRLEY WAS ALWAYS A GOOD FRIEND TO US AT THE CHURCH --"FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN JESUS NAME - --WHEN SHE LIVED NEXT DOOR TO US...MY PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY-- MAY GOD WATCH OVER YOU ALL IN THE DAYS TO COME.....GOD IS YOUR STRENGTH----- "GOD BLESS YOU"

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**DELORES MCMAHAN** - December 10, 2013 at 08:11 AM

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“ *Shirley Louise Harkleroad*

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**Kara Dalton** - December 10, 2013 at 08:11 AM