



## Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee

August 4, 1938 - May 1, 2015

Big Stone Gap, Virginia

Shirley Pauline Keesee 76, passed away peacefully on Friday (May 1, 2015) at Norton Community Hospital in Norton Virginia.

Shirley was born in Appalachia Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Dewey and Emaline "Frazier" Mitchell. She spent her childhood in her family home in Appalachia she was one of 12 children. Shortly after school she married the love of her life, Mr. Charles M. Keesee they were later blessed in their union with two daughters, they were a close nit family and they remember their mother fondly. She worked as a caregiver to her family for many years before she worked outside of the home. She worked at the Carnes school and then later at Powell Valley Middle School, she also worked for a time at the Lonesome Pine Country Club. She loved her grandchildren and great grandchildren deeply. She will be missed by all that knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents Dewey and Emaline Mitchell, two brothers; Gilbert Lynn Mitchell and George Donald Mitchell.

She is survived by her husband Charles M. Keesee of the home, daughters Deborah Knapp of East Stone Gap, Paula "Joy" Baker and husband Roscoe "Abe" of Big Stone Gap, grandchildren; Sharley LeAnn Baker and fiancé Jordan Rutherford, Skyla Baker, and two great grandchildren Nevaeh Mitchell, and Huntley Rutherford, sisters; Clara Bolling of Knoxville TN, Betty Southard of Baton Rouge LA, Patsy Hubbard and husband Steve of Seminary, Barbara Chase and husband Merwyn of Kingsport, Katheryn Mitchell of Big Stone Gap, brothers Gerald Mitchell of Big Stone Gap, Terry Mitchell of Big Stone Gap, Steven Mitchell wife Mary Jane of Big Stone Gap and a host of nieces and nephews whom she dearly loved.

The family will receive friends on Sunday (May 3) from 5pm until 7 p.m. for the visitation at Holding Funeral Home of Big Stone Gap Virginia.

The funeral service will be conducted following the visitation in the funeral home chapel with the Pastor Tim Stanley officiating.

Special Music will be provided by Alex Rich and Emily Rosales.

The committal service will take place on Monday at 11 a.m. in the American Legion Cemetery those wishing to attend are asked to meet at the funeral home by 10:30 to go in procession.

Family and friends will serve as pallbearers.

You may go online to view the obituary, order flowers, sign the guest registry at [www.holdingfuneralhome.com](http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com)

Holding Funeral Home is serving the Keesee family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 3.** 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  
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## Service

**MAY 3.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Graveside Service

**MAY 4.** 11:00 AM (ET)

American Legion Cemetery  
5001 Powell Valley Road  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*

October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM

GA

“ *Glynis Aistrop lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



**glynis aistrop** - May 04, 2015 at 12:37 PM

SR

“ *Shirley Fannon Rosenbaum lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



**shirley fannon rosenbaum** - May 04, 2015 at 11:58 AM

ST

“ *Sonia Trammel purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee.*



**Sonia Trammel** - May 02, 2015 at 09:24 PM

FP

“ *FRANKIE M PRICE lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



**FRANKIE M PRICE** - May 02, 2015 at 01:25 PM

LJ

“ *Linda Farmer Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



Linda Farmer Jones - May 02, 2015 at 10:06 AM

OL

“ *Prayers for you all. I am so sorry , and know you will miss her very much . I have fond memories of Aunt Shirley when I was little . God bless.*



Olivia Lawless - May 02, 2015 at 07:24 AM



“ *DerrickJennifer Neal lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



DerrickJennifer Neal - May 02, 2015 at 06:31 AM

CD

“ *Cheryl Durham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



cheryl durham - May 02, 2015 at 05:59 AM

CD

*rest in peace shirley you wil be so miss .praying for this loving family*

cheryl durham - May 02, 2015 at 06:00 AM

LG

“ *Linda Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



Linda Gardner - May 02, 2015 at 02:35 AM

LI

“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



Linda - May 02, 2015 at 02:34 AM



“ *Glenda Bolinskey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



Glenda Bolinskey - May 01, 2015 at 11:46 PM

CK

“ *Catherine Keesee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



Catherine Keesee - May 01, 2015 at 10:39 PM

DL

“ *Dot Light sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee*



Dot Light - May 01, 2015 at 09:23 PM

DL

“ How blessed I am to have known this beautiful friend for 70+ years. She has been my next door neighbor at our homes in Big Stone Gap for many, many years. She loved her family with all her heart and cared so very deeply about all her many friends. I will miss you terribly my dear friend. Thank you for all the beautiful memories. Dot Light

Dot Light - May 01, 2015 at 09:18 PM

DM

“ Debbie Mullins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee



Debbie Mullins - May 01, 2015 at 08:58 PM

LT

“ Lynne Tull lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee



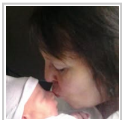
Lynne Tull - May 01, 2015 at 07:35 PM

CR

“ Cathy & Jerry Ryan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Pauline Keesee



Cathy & Jerry Ryan - May 01, 2015 at 05:54 PM



So sorry to hear this. Praying for the family <3

Denise Caldwell - May 01, 2015 at 11:21 PM