



## Thelma Jean Phillips

May 21, 1940 - December 26, 2020

Thelma Jean Phillips, 80, passed away on Saturday, December 26, 2020 at Holston Valley Medical Center.

Thelma was born and raised in Wise County, VA., the daughter of the late; Elgie E. Phillips, and Rose 'Stanley' Phillips. She was a graduate of East Stone Gap High School. She loved her church New Hope Assembly, located in Big Stone Gap. She enjoyed her Pastor, Rick Whitten. She was devoted to her family, her children, and grandchildren, they will always cherish the times she spent loving, and caring for them. She will be sorely missed by all that knew her.

She is survived by her five children; ,Deborah and husband Michael Brown of Kingsport TN, Teresa Lovell of Big Stone Gap, Lisa Wilder and husband Tony of Big Stone Gap, Jennifer and husband David Bowen of Big Stone Gap, Belinda Mellon of Andover, three sisters; Geraldine Bullington, Sherry Russell, and Robin Davis, Grandchildren; Steven Chandler, Joshua Wilder, Natasha Bowen, Alicia Boggs, Rachel Lovell, Brittany Arrington, Autumn Bowen, Katlyn Bowen, Hannah Bowen, Landon Mellon; Great Grandchildren; Miciah Boggs, Infinity Arrington, Akilleez Arrington, Lincoln Arrington, Paizlee Belcher, Gage and Gracie Chandler, Xavier Boggs, Raylen Bowen, a little boy grandson on the way, other close relatives and friends.

The family will have a private service at New Hope Assembly with Pastor Rick Whitten officiating. Burial will follow in American Legion Cemetery.

A memorial video has been created for the family at:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/PZD9ZDQ7W3KBPNJ8>

The family will serve as pallbearers.

You may go online to view the obituary, sign the guest registry, or leave the family a condolence at [www.holdingfuneralhome.com](http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com)

Holding Funeral Home of Big Stone Gap is serving the family.

# Cemetery Details

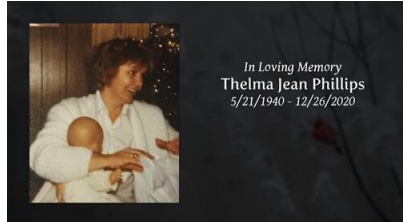
## American Legion Cemetery

5001 Powell Valley Road  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

# Tribute Wall



“ *Holding Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Thelma Jean Phillips*



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**Holding Funeral Home, Inc.** - December 28, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ *Thelma Jean Phillips*

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October 07, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Sorry to hear bout your loss Lisa just know you are in our thoughts an prayers i am just a phone call away*



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**Wilma Light** - December 30, 2020 at 10:59 AM



“ *Wilma Light lit a candle in memory of Thelma Jean Phillips*



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**Wilma Light** - December 30, 2020 at 10:58 AM

J(

“ *Thelma was a truly good person who loved her family with every fiber of her being. She also loved God and her church family. She had a kind spirit. I am glad to have known her.*

**Jola Carico (Bitsy)** - December 29, 2020 at 08:48 AM

JL

“ *Thinking of the whole family in this time of need. So truly sorry for your loss. My the Lord take his arms and wrap them around each of you.*



**Jessica Lambert** - December 28, 2020 at 09:29 PM

PS

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Thelma was dear to us and we loved her very much. She always had a smile on her face. She was absolutely beautiful inside and out.*

*Herman and Pat Scardo*

**Patricia Scardo** - December 28, 2020 at 06:03 PM

NS

“ *Nancy Stout lit a candle in memory of Thelma Jean Phillips*



**Nancy Stout** - December 28, 2020 at 04:25 PM

PS

“ Prayers for peace and that only The Holy Spirit can bring. My sincere condolences to this sweet family.



Pamela Stacy - December 28, 2020 at 11:47 AM

BW

“ Deepest sympathy to the family you all will be in our thoughts and prayers Billy and Nina



billy wells - December 27, 2020 at 10:29 PM

PS

I am praying for comfort for this sweet family. May Thelma Jean rest in the arms of Jesus now and may the family receive His comfort and peace.

Pamela Stacy - December 28, 2020 at 11:43 AM

SS

I am thinking of and praying for peace and comfort for Thelma's family. Thelma was such a sweet and gentle lady. I miss seeing her at church.

Sandy Smith - January 14, 2021 at 01:01 PM

MH

“ Margaret Hurd lit a candle in memory of Thelma Jean Phillips



Margaret Hurd - December 27, 2020 at 08:31 PM

RM

“ *Deepest sympathy for the family I will be praying for each of you in the days to come  
All my love, Rosa*



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**Rosa Maggard** - December 27, 2020 at 05:55 PM

KB

“ *Kara Burgan lit a candle in memory of Thelma  
Jean Phillips*



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**Kara Burgan** - December 27, 2020 at 04:00 PM

KB

“ *So sorry about the loss of your Mom! My thoughts and prayers are  
with you all.*

*Love, Kara*

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**Kara Burgan** - December 27, 2020 at 03:59 PM

SF

“ *Our sincerest sympathy to all your family. Our  
thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Tommy and Shirley Fisher*



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**Shirley Morrison Fisher** - December 27, 2020 at 03:47 PM

AU

“ *Rest easy mamaw. I prayed very hard for you to keep fighting but I guess Jesus needed you more. I'll miss you forever. I love you.*

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**autumn** - December 27, 2020 at 01:11 PM

CC

*I continue to pray for all of you. I know how precious Thelma was and still is to all of you & how precious all of you were to her. Only God can make her passing easier to live with.*

*Connie Carico  
Maybe not related by blood, but by heart.*

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**Connie Carico** - December 29, 2020 at 07:00 AM

DG

“ *Thelma was a sweet lady who lived for and loved Jesus. Prayers for her family.*

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**Dora Garrison** - December 27, 2020 at 11:50 AM

JH

“ *I never saw Thelma that she wasn't smiling and speaking of the Lord. We'd always part saying we'd be praying for each other. She truly is the type of person who will be sadly missed.*

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**Joseph Herron** - December 27, 2020 at 12:34 AM

MF

“ *Thelma was a true friend. She had a humble heart loved the LORD. always ha a smile.we are truly going to missed here at New Hope Assembly.*



*Girls you had a wonderful mother and she loved you dearly. There was never a Sunday went by or a service that she ask prayer for children and grandchildren.*

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**Margaret Fannon** - December 26, 2020 at 08:56 PM

DM

“ *Very Sweet Woman! Our deepest condolences! Praying for Peace and Comfort for you all! Dona Thomas and Landon Mellon*



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**Dona Mellon** - December 26, 2020 at 02:23 PM

DM

“ *Dona Mellon lit a candle in memory of Thelma Jean Phillips*



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**Dona Mellon** - December 26, 2020 at 02:21 PM