



# Virginia Galloway Lawson

October 7, 1924 - November 29, 2023

Big Stone Gap, Virginia – Kingsport, Tennessee

As Her testimony, “It is well with my soul.”

Virginia Galloway Lawson, age 99, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, November 29, 2023. At Holston Valley Medical Center.

Virginia was a lifelong servant of the Lord, where she taught Sunday school and played piano. Virginia also volunteered as a “Pink Lady” at Holston Valley Medical Center. She was a member of the Kingsport Community Church. Virginia was a devoted mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She worked many years in Bookkeeping serving her brother in his dairy then joining Holding Funeral Home in 1972 until her retirement. She was thought of very highly by her colleagues, her dedication and organization kept Ben and Blake and the rest of Holding Funeral Home running smoothly. A first-class lady whom will be deeply missed by her family, co-workers, and friends.

Virginia was born in Wise County, the daughter of the late Rev. W. B. Galloway and Julie Elizabeth Roach Galloway; she was one of four children.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Gurstell H. Lawson, daughter, Ann Lawson Glenn, and her brothers, Graham Galloway, John Galloway, and Jim Galloway.

Those left to cherish her memories, Janice Lawson Welker and husband Monte of Maryville, TN., one granddaughter; Shannon Glenn Bishop and husband Steve of Kingsport, TN.; one great grandson; Hunter Bishop and wife Ashley, of Raleigh N.C.; one great granddaughter: Madison Bishop of Kingsport, TN. Beloved son- in- law Tommy Glenn, of Kingsport, TN. Three nephews and four nieces.

The family will receive friends on Friday, Dec. 1, 2023, at the Kingsport Community Church from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. for a Memorial Service to honor Virginia’s life. The service will be officiated by Steven Collins and Mark Stayton.

The family will also receive friends on Saturday, December 2, 2023, at Holding Funeral Home in Big Stone Gap, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. for the visitation.

The funeral service will be conducted following in the funeral home's chapel. Special music will be provided by Leonce Hall IV .

The committal service will be held following in Glencoe Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be David Peace, John William Peace, Scott Williams, Steve Bishop, Hunter Bishop, and Tommy Glenn.

In lieu of flowers: Memorial Contributions may be made to: Kingsport Community Church (2316 Memorial Blvd. Kingsport, TN. 37664) or Free Will Baptist Family Ministries (90 Stanley Lane, Greeneville, TN. 37743)

An online registry is available for the family at [www.holdingfuneralhome.com](http://www.holdingfuneralhome.com)

Holding Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Virginia Galloway Lawson.

# Cemetery Details

## Glencoe Cemetery

Spring Street  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 2. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Holding Funeral Home, Inc.  
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## Burial

DEC 2. 2:30 PM (ET)

Glencoe Cemetery  
Spring Street  
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

# Tribute Wall

BH

“ Jenny was a wonderful person and friend. My daughter, Luanne and I loved her Sunday School Class. I will miss talking to her. My prayers are with the family.  
Barbara Hensley

Barbara Hensley - December 02, 2023 at 06:32 PM

JK

“ Mrs Lawson was my Sunday School teacher at Oak Grove Baptist Church nearly 60 years ago. I remember her so vividly. Always dressed immaculately, always smiling, always kind and caring. She was a wonderful role model for us “young ladies”. I can recall several of the lessons she taught about love, honesty, and caring. She was so dedicated in her walk with Jesus. I know God gave her 99 years because of her faithfulness. I was truly blessed to have had her for a teacher. Rest in peace, Mrs Lawson, you were loved and appreciated by many.

Judy Jenkins Kilgore - December 01, 2023 at 07:00 PM

RL

“ Ron & Cindy Lindman purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Virginia Galloway Lawson.



Ron & Cindy Lindman - December 01, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Virginia Galloway Lawson.



November 30, 2023 at 08:31 PM

LJ

“ Virginia Lawson was my Sunday school teacher at oak grove Baptist church & later she was the loyal Ruth's class Sunday school teacher. I remember going to the fish fry that her family had at their home. Loved her piano playing. She saw Jesus where he welcomed her to her heavenly home surrounded by family & friends. Prayers for the family



lisa johnson - November 30, 2023 at 05:16 PM

AH

“ So sorry to hear of Virginia's passing. She such a wonderful sweet lady. She was a dear friend to my mother Mary Gilley. We all attended Oak Grove together. Virginia was my Sunday School teacher and we all adorned her. She will be missed by many. Ann Gilley Harris

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**Ann Gilley Harris** - November 30, 2023 at 04:57 PM

SF

“ I I enjoyed my visits to this fine lady. She was super special..I tried to keep her updated on the news in the neck on my visits. Love you Jenny Lee. Woody,Sandy and family

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**Sandy Franklin** - November 30, 2023 at 04:41 PM

JH

“ I had the honor to work with this fine lady for several years. A truly special, devoted woman. May the family have peace that passes all understanding.

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**John R. Hagan** - November 30, 2023 at 04:16 PM

DG

“ Mrs. Lawson was a class act, such a professional and kind lady. Truly a special person. Prayers for her family and friends.

*Dora Lynn Dinsmore Garrison*

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**Dora Garrison** - November 30, 2023 at 01:52 PM