



## Dale Evans Ketchum

March 24, 1960 - September 5, 2025

Dale Evans Ketchum, age 65, of North Tazewell, Virginia, drew her last breath here on earth on Friday, September 5, 2025, in a Salem, Virginia, hospital following an extended illness.

Dale was born on March 24, 1960, in Tazewell County and was the daughter of Eugene Matney and the late Nannie Mae Chambers Flannigan. She had attended Tazewell High School, and after marrying her husband, John, they worked and traveled with a circus. She later worked in the health care industry, but had dedicated most of her life to caring for her family. Dale was known for her heart of gold; she had a caring, loving spirit, and was the world's best wife, sister, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. She was an avid collector of dream catchers. Her greatest joy was being with her family, cooking for them, and making her amazing cornbread. She always cooked as if she were feeding an army just in case someone dropped by to eat. Dale's two favorite sayings were, "Love all y'all working farmers", and "not goodbye, but I'll see you later".

In addition to her mother, she was preceded in death by her son, Indian Ezra "Boo" Ketchum, sisters, Dorothy Swim, Nancy Horn, Shirley Horn, brothers, Wayne Flannigan, and Harrison Flannigan, and one great-grandson, Karlston Kowalkowski.

Those that remain to continue her loving spirit are her,

Loving husband of 45 years, John George Ketchum Sr., of North Tazewell, VA

Children:

Trish Ketchum of North Tazewell, VA

John George Ketchum, Jr. and his fiancée Tiara Hutton of North Tazewell, VA

Shana Ketchum of Abingdon, VA

Sister, Linda Williamson, and her husband, Bernard of North Tazewell, VA

Sister of the heart, Darlene Bowman, and her family

Brother, Richard Matney of Boissevain, VA

Grandchildren, Destiny Ketchum, Gage Hankins, Cameron Hankins, Emily Hankins, Levi Kowalkoski, Justin Kinder, Brianna Kinder, Easton Ketchum, Weston Belcher, Lacey Ketchum, Mia Ketchum, Addaline Sandlin, Ezekiel Sandlin, Arian Bradley.

Seven Great-grandchildren and a host of family and friends also survive.

The funeral for Dale Ketchum will be at 2:00 PM on Sunday, September 14, 2025, at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Tazewell, Virginia. Interment will follow at the Mud Fork Cemetery, located next to the former Browns Chapel Church on Mud Fork in North Tazewell, Virginia. Pallbearers will be John G. Ketchum, Jr., Cameron Hankins, Richard Matney, Justin Kinder, Levi Kowalkoski, Ben Bowman, and Wreck-it-Ralph himself, Robbie Alexander. The family will receive friends beginning at 1:00 PM on Sunday at the funeral home.

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Tazewell, Virginia, oversees arrangements.  
Those wishing to express their sympathy online may do so at [www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Brown's Chapel Cemetery

Mudfork, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home of Tazewell  
870 Main Street  
Tazewell, VA 24651  
<http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com>

## Funeral Service

SEP 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Hurst- Scott Funeral Home of Tazewell  
870 Main Street  
Tazewell, VA 24651  
(276) 988-7579  
[hsfhtaz@outlook.com](mailto:hsfhtaz@outlook.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Aunt Dale may you rest in piece my beautiful auntie. You will be missed by sooo many. It was really sad when I heard what had happen to you but, you are now in the hands of God up in heaven smiling down on uncle John, Shana, and the rest there are sooo sooo many to list. Every time I came to Tazwell with my dad to visit you and uncle John you always had a smile on that beautiful face of yours. Now you have reunited with your son and I know the both of you are having the time of your life. RIP.... we love you !!!



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**Angela Knott** - September 12, 2025 at 02:47 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dale Evans Ketchum.



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September 12, 2025 at 01:09 AM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Dale Ketchum



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**TonyanEdgar Wicks** - September 11, 2025 at 12:57 PM

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“ *Mama Dale you you have and always will be a beautiful soul y'all have always been there for me when I needed it the most and that's something I won't ever forget I will do my best to be there for Shana and everyone I'm so glad that I got to come and see you and tell you that your one of the strongest women I know you always will be beautiful inside and out I'll never forget when you woke up and said my girl is home it wasn't where we wanted to be but I'm so glad that I got to spend time with you I cannot Thank you enough for you have been and will always be to me like my 2nt mama fly high our beautiful angel I hope you're in heaven with boozy and the rest of the family members being everybody's guardian angel We love you so much this isn't goodbye it's see you later One of your favorite sayings I'll continue to pray for the family and do my best to be there for each and every one of them I love you Mama not a day goes by that we won't think of you or love you or cherish your beautiful memories that we all have with you I just hope that one day when it's my time that I'll get to see you and everybody else again I'll see you later Mama I love you*



Kelly Mcdougald - September 11, 2025 at 06:30 AM

LM

*Dale... Thank you for always having a kind word .a hot meal and a place to lay my head if needed. Your heart and generosity will always be remembered. You will be truly missed by everyone who knows you. Thank you for being an amazing human and an even more amazing friend...give Boo a hug for me❤️*

Laura Mowell - September 11, 2025 at 09:11 AM

SR

*You know my heart is broke we grown up together I love u like a sister. We would get to hang out at lawernce and Thema home I will miss u*

Sally McBride rose - September 11, 2025 at 11:08 AM

SH

*Trish and family  
So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Shirleen Hagy** - September 11, 2025 at 01:08 PM

DM

*To John and Family, I am so sorry to Hear about Dales passing. That made two that Oliver knew from up on stoney Ridge that Had Passed away.*

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**Della Mutter** - September 12, 2025 at 03:00 PM