



Ella Katherine Richardson

January 28, 1929 - December 18, 2021

Ella Katherine Smith Richardson died peacefully in her home on December 18, 2021. Katherine was born in Jewell Ridge on January 28, 1929 to Avery and Narcie Smith. Her idyllic childhood was spent on Smith Ridge with her many siblings and cousins creating memories that carried her to her last days.

From a young age, Katherine was interested in academics, excelling in her studies, graduating from Richlands High School, class of 1947, and then attending Bluefield Business School. On August 8, 1950 Katherine married the love of her life, James Alexander (Jim) Richardson. They were lifelong residents of Jewell Ridge and parents to three boys and three girls. She was involved in every aspect of her local community. A lifelong member of Jewell Ridge Presbyterian Church, Katherine's faith was one put into action. She served as Sunday School teacher, Women's leader, church treasurer, Choir member and Elder. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter #104 Richlands. Further serving her community, she was a poll worker for many elections. And as a mother to six, she was always involved in school activities ranging from PTA, substitute teaching, helping organize school carnivals and LOTS of homework! Katherine was an accomplished homemaker, excelling in all that she attempted. Her greatest joy was being a wife to Jim and mother to her six children. She was always available to assist when grandchildren were born, no matter near or far. She is remembered as a loving, doting Memaw to 14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Life

was always entertaining in the Richardson household with family and friends gathering to celebrate big and small things, with loads of laughter and sometimes tears, but always love. Katherine's door was always open for delicious food, fellowship and conversation. A wonderfully optimistic woman who knew there is good in everyone and always helped others to see that in themselves. Her family will cherish memories of the most gracious loving compassionate Mother, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother, sister, aunt, neighbor, and friend.

Predeceased by her husband, Jim Richardson. Son, Michael Smith Richardson. Granddaughter, Victoria Grace Schau. Grandson, William Sneed Richardson.

Survivors are: Avery Richardson and wife Diana of Richlands, VA; Marquette Richardson, wife of Mike, of Jewell Ridge, VA; Bill Richardson and wife Kokie of Richlands, VA; Missy Baker and husband Rick of Brentwood, TN; Nancy Scott and husband Tom of Brentwood, TN; Edye Schau and husband Dan of Woodbury, TN

Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Sisters: Ann Shreve, Princess Casey, Bonnie Agner, and sister-in-law Margaret Richardson Morgan.

Many nieces and nephews

The family is so grateful for the ladies who gave our mother such loving care for the past few years. Wanda Smith, Faye Gilbert, Marquette Richardson, Erica Brown, Trish Sparks, Crystal Clifton, Michelle Dales, Ashley Gilbert and Tracy Lowe

A private burial was held on December 19, 2021 at Smith Family Cemetery. Arrangements were tenderly handled by Hurst Scott Funeral Home. Our many thanks to Gene, Jeff, Paul and Bill.

The Family is hosting a Celebration of Katherine Richardson's life on

Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 12 o'clock noon, Smith Family Cemetery, located on Smith Ridge. Pastor Malcolm Stuart officiating. All are invited as we come together. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Smith Family Cemetery

Smith Ridge Road
Jewell Ridge, VA 24622

Previous Events

Celebration Of Life

JUN 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

Smith Family Cemetery
Smith Ridge Road
Jewell Ridge, VA 24622

Tribute Wall



“ *Ella Katherine Richardson*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Ella Katherine Richardson*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Curt & Kay Brown lit a candle in memory of Ella Katherine Richardson*



Curt & Kay Brown - June 18, 2022 at 12:16 PM



“ *Memaw, Katherine, Beautiful Lady,
Just a few of hundred ways to describe the remarkable woman that was Katherine Smith Richardson.*

Lady, Sister, Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, Friend, Servant of the lord!

She was classy, spirited, loving, kind and Memaw !

Anyone who was blessed to know her, well we were lucky and favored.

Love and extreme prayers for her beautiful family, host of friends and all who are going to miss Katherine



Kathy Sneed - June 18, 2022 at 01:37 AM

CH

“ Carolyn Hess lit a candle in memory of Ella Katherine Richardson



Carolyn Hess - June 16, 2022 at 11:45 AM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Ella Katherine Richardson



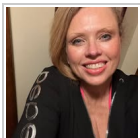
TonyanEdgar Wicks - June 15, 2022 at 08:33 AM

LN

“ Leroy & Angie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Ella Katherine Richardson



Leroy & Angie Nelson - June 14, 2022 at 05:03 PM



“ She was always so sweet. I sang in the choir at Jewell Ridge years ago. She was a blessing to all she met!



Chelle Carini - June 14, 2022 at 04:27 PM

TJ

“ Sandy, I remember your dad coaching the Red Raiders. Somehow you guys always managed to beat my Green Waves. Could have had something to do with you, Julian, Larry R, Beanpole Bryant and Pruitt. I always remember your sweet mother being there for all the football and baseball games. Such a wonderful family. Bless you as your mother has gone home to reunite with your daddy. God Bless you all.

Tom Jessee

Tom Jessee - June 14, 2022 at 01:09 PM

CP

“ Carol Putt purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ella Katherine Richardson.



Carol Putt - June 07, 2022 at 01:33 PM

CP

“ For 25 years as I visited and worked in Jewell Ridge Katherine's lovely smile greeted me and everyone who came with me. She always sat beside me in the church choir and welcomed us to her home whenever we walked along the road. I treasure her friendship in my heart and will never forget her smile and her gracious personality!

Carol Putt - June 07, 2022 at 01:22 PM