



Gladys Rife

September 9, 1924 - November 5, 2005

Mrs. Gladys Lyons Rife age 81, formerly of the Big Creek Road Section of Richlands, Virginia passed away Saturday, November 5, 2005 at a Jefferson City, Tennessee hospital following a lengthy illness. She was born in Newbern, Virginia and was a daughter of the late Bascom and Dillie Cressell Lyons both natives of Newbern, Virginia. Before moving to Tennessee, she had been a resident of Richlands, Virginia area for 35 years where she had attended the Richlands Church of God. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence Rife, 2 Sisters: Nannie Whitt and Betty Chapman; 3 Brothers: Lee, Malcolm and Buddy Lyons. Survivors are: Daughter: Mrs. Bonnie Hackney and husband, Ronald of Pensacola, Florida 3 Sons: Rev. Phillip Rife and wife, Patricia of Elkhorne City, Kentucky Leslie Rife and wife, Nancy of Newport, Tennessee Allen Rife of Richlands, Virginia 3 Sisters: Mrs. Martha Kinder of Jewell Ridge, Virginia Mrs. Juanita Davis of Old Fort, North Carolina Mrs. Judy Dujardin of Shelby, North Carolina 8 Grandchildren and 4 Great-Grandchildren also survive. Funeral Services for Mrs. Gladys Lyons Rife will be conducted Tuesday, November 8, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with the Rev. Monte Elswick officiating. Interment will follow in the Greenhills Memory Gardens at Claypool Hill, Virginia. Men of Richlands Church of God will serve as Pallbearers. Friends may call Monday evening from 6-9 p.m. at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia. In Lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to the: Richlands Church of God Building

Fund, 405 Jones Chapel Road, Richlands, Virginia 24641.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Please accept my sincere condolences in you time of such a great loss.*

Please know that each and everyone of you are in my prayers and thoughts, I do pray for God's comfort and strength.

*May God Bless,
In Christian Love
Joyce Maynard*

Joyce Maynard - November 05, 2005 at 12:00 AM

“ I met Bro. & Sis. Rife when I was 4yrs old when my Dad took the Pastorate at Richlands Church of God. I was a student in Sis. Rife's sunday school class for many years but learned from her also outside of the church setting. She is one of the most Godly women I have ever known. She demonstrated her Christian character in everything she did and with every one she encountered. Some of my fondest memories with the Rife's are going home with them to spend the afternoon between church services on Sundays or spending the night on Saturday night and waking up to the best Waffles I have ever eaten! My sister Carrie, and I spent lots of time with the Rifes as children and they would often refer to us as their "adopted grandchildren" and they treated us as such- a part of their own family. I was very saddened when I learned of her passing but then I had to smile because I thought of the fact that she had lived her whole life preparing for this glorious day- and she finally got to go to her eternal home. She was a very loved lady and will be greatly missed but her Christian legacy will live on through all the lives of the people she touched and taught of Christ- all the children that have passed through the Richlands Church of God in the last 35 years that now serve the Lord like myself are a part of that legacy that Bro. & Sis. Rife left behind. They were wonderful people and for those of you that ever heard Bro. Rife introduce me (even after I became an adult) he would tell you that on my 4th birthday I said "I have graduated from that old car seat!" haha

*With lots of love and wonderful memories
Christina*

Christina - November 05, 2005 at 12:00 AM