



## M'Ledge Cheek

September 10, 1934 - March 10, 2017

Gloria M'Ledge Altizer Cheek, age 82, of Cedar Bluff, Virginia, passed away on Friday, March 10, 2017 at her home following a brief illness.

She was born in Jewell Ridge, Virginia and was the daughter of the late, Bud and Eula Lowe Altizer. She was a graduate of Richlands High School Class of 1952 and has written the M'Ledge's Kitchen article for the Tazewell County Free Press since it started publication in 1976. In addition, she has also written two cookbooks. M'Ledge enjoyed the many calls over the years asking for certain recipes and advice in the kitchen. M'Ledge worked as a switch board operator for GTE and when Verizon bought them out, she worked as an office manager before retiring. She was an outgoing, outspoken spirited lady, who pulled no punches and liked to tell you exactly how it was. She would tell you today, "Don't grieve for me, I'm better off than you are now." She was a member of the Richlands Presbyterian Church.

In addition other parents she was preceded by, her husband, Barnes Edwin Cheek, and two brothers, Joe Bill Altizer and Jack Altizer.

Those who remain to carry on her vivacious spirit are:

Her sisters:

Terri Howery and husband, Rodney of Steelsburg, VA

Betty McCall of Fort Worth, TX

Brother, Buddy Altizer and wife, Brenda of Pounding Mill, VA

Special Nieces who were like her own daughters,  
Shannon Wess and husband, Kevin of Cedar Bluff, VA  
ReaAnne Hurley and husband, Josh of Cedar Bluff, VA

Special great niece and nephews who were like her grandchildren:  
Charlee Hurley, Luke Wess and Brody Wess.

M'Ledge requested that no services be held and graveside services will be private. She also requested that if you wished to honor her memory, please make donations to the Gethsemane Church Back Pack Program, 2902 Clinch Street, Richlands, VA 24641 so children who are in need could be helped. She will truly be missed by all who knew and loved her. 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](http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *M'Ledge Cheek*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *M'Ledge Cheek*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *We are sorry to hear of M'Ledge's passing. She will be greatly missed by so many of us. Love, Eunice and Jack*



**Eunice and Jack Breeden** - March 26, 2017 at 01:29 PM



“ *My sincere and deepest condolences to the family. M'Ledge and her infamous fried apple pies- she helped four young ladies dreams of cheering at the Freedom Bowl in California a reality. I will always be so grateful for her kindness and love she gave me. My prayers and love are with the family.*

**mona vinson** - March 14, 2017 at 08:52 PM



“ *Our prayers are with you all. Gary and Vicki Lyons*

**Gary Lyons** - March 13, 2017 at 08:02 PM



“ *The Richard Conner Family would like to express their sincere condolences for your entire family. We will have you in our hearts and prayers for peace and comfort.*

*Richard, Velma, Tina and Courtney Conner*



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**Velma Conner** - March 13, 2017 at 03:49 PM

LG

“ *She will be missed.....I always enjoyed her recipes in the papers.*

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**lou grimm** - March 13, 2017 at 02:32 PM



“ *To: Family  
Please accept our sincerest condolences-  
John McClintock Jr. & Billie Sue Keene*

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**John McClintock** - March 13, 2017 at 01:38 PM

PR

“ *So sorry for the family, all will miss this nice lady.*

*Pat & Bill Reedy*



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**Pat Reedy** - March 13, 2017 at 01:18 PM



“ *M'Ledge and Barnes were our next door neighbors on Virginia Avenue during my high school years. She was a wonderful cook. A happy person. She was gracious and honest and a very loyal friend. I have only good memories of her and her generosity and grace will ever be remembered. My heartfelt condolences. Ellen Apple nee Smith.*

Roberta Smith Apple - March 13, 2017 at 10:03 AM

AR

“ *Love and prayers. Terri I'm so sorry.  
God Bless you  
Don and Almeta Rose*

almeta Rose - March 13, 2017 at 05:09 AM

IM

“ *I worked with this lady and so sorry to hear about her death. May God comfort the family.*

irma mitchell - March 12, 2017 at 06:32 PM

KS

“ *Kathy Sneed lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek*



Kathy Sneed - March 12, 2017 at 05:30 PM

BC

“ *Ben Coleman lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek*



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**Ben Coleman** - March 12, 2017 at 01:10 PM

JL

“ *We were saddened to hear of M'Ledge's death. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.*

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**James & Regina Lowe** - March 11, 2017 at 10:07 PM

SH

“ *Shirley Harrison lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek*



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**Shirley Harrison** - March 11, 2017 at 07:36 PM

RC

“ *She will certainly be missed, thought the world of her and Barnes... They were very Special to all that knew them....R.I.P.*



*Judy & Roger Casteel*

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**Roger & Judy Casteel** - March 11, 2017 at 06:27 PM

LW

“ So sorry for the loss of M'Ledge. She was a wonderful lady and an inspiration to many. M'Ledge baked and decorated many birthday cakes for me as a child through the years as well as wedding. She will be forever missed. Heaven has gained a precious angel. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. May you find peace and comfort in God's amazing grace in the coming days. God Bless! Lynda



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**Lynda Lawson Whittington** - March 11, 2017 at 05:35 PM

RW

“ M'Ledge was a very dear niece to me. She called me nearly every day for years. When Barnes was living, they used to visit me frequently when I lived in Richmond. I will certainly miss her and send my love to the rest of the family. Roberta Lowe Williams



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**Roberta Williams** - March 11, 2017 at 04:08 PM

NR

“ Norma Jewell Richardson lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



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**Norma Jewell Richardson** - March 11, 2017 at 02:16 PM

BL

“ Terri, I am so very sorry about M'ledge's passing. She was a great lady who will be fondly remembered by many, many of us and will truly be missed. My heart is with you Terri. Love you my sweet friend.

Brenda Lane - March 11, 2017 at 11:25 AM

CS

“ Charlotte, Sam & Family And Anita Short lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Charlotte, Sam & Family and Anita Short - March 11, 2017 at 09:35 AM

RA

“ RUBY ASBURY lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



RUBY ASBURY - March 11, 2017 at 08:56 AM

BC

“ So very sorry for the loss of M'Ledge. She was so gracious and kind to me, when I started to work for the telephone company way back in the '70's. I will never forget that and always be thankful. Love and prayers to the family.



Betty Watson Conn - March 11, 2017 at 08:21 AM

LP

“ I left Richlands in 1988. One of the things I brought with me to North Carolina was one of her cook books and I still have it. I am so sorry for her passing. She was certainly a special lady. God bless you.

*Linda (Whitt) Pendry*

Linda Pendry - March 11, 2017 at 08:15 AM



“ TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



TonyanEdgar Wicks - March 11, 2017 at 07:47 AM

DH

“ M'Ledge was a wonderful person.



Debbie Hunsaker - March 11, 2017 at 06:28 AM

EH

“ EVELYN HESS lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



EVELYN HESS - March 11, 2017 at 04:17 AM

VN

“ Vicki Stumpp Nuckels lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Vicki Stumpp Nuckels - March 10, 2017 at 10:07 PM

AM

“ Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - March 10, 2017 at 07:18 PM

AM

*I just loved her. She was so talented in everything she did. I still have the ceramic pieces she made for my daughter when she was born. My deepest condolences.*

Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - March 10, 2017 at 07:22 PM

GG

“ Gaynell Goss lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Gaynell Goss - March 10, 2017 at 05:03 PM

PS

“ Pat Cooley Shamblin lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Pat Cooley Shamblin - March 10, 2017 at 04:58 PM

JK

“ Jill Kinder sent a virtual gift in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Jill Kinder - March 10, 2017 at 04:54 PM

LC

“ Lula Collins lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Lula Collins - March 10, 2017 at 04:22 PM

TM

“ Tom And Dot McGlothlin lit a candle in memory of M'Ledge Cheek



Tom and Dot McGlothlin - March 10, 2017 at 02:47 PM