



## Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey

November 20, 1955 - September 27, 2019

Mary Melinda (Minnie) Phipps Lakey age 63, of Pounding Mill, Virginia passed away September 27, 2019 in a Tazewell, Virginia hospital following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Bearwallow, Virginia and was the daughter of the late Roby Clyde and Narcie Helen White Phipps. Minnie graduated from Richlands High School Class of 1974 and continued onto college where she received her certification as an LPN. She worked for several hospitals in the area as an operating room assistant and later went to work for Dr. Nassif until she retired. She was a member of the Bearwallow Bible Church and was well known for her contagious laughter, precious smile, and giving heart. Minnie enjoyed swimming, photography, and playing the piano. She enjoyed living life to its fullest and her life leaves a legacy caring, happiness and love. Though our hearts are broken, we find peace in knowing she is now reunited with family and will continue to be our guardian angel. She will truly be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Those who remain to carry on her loving spirit are her:

Husband, Bobby Gene Lakey of Pounding Mill, VA

Sister, Barbara Lynn Yates and husband, Bill of Kingsport, TN

Brothers:

Noah Bascom Phipps and wife, Judy of Bearwallow, VA

Elmer Lee "Buck" Phipps and wife, Katherine of Bearwallow, VA

Memorial services will be held in her honor on Sunday, September 29, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with the Minister's Kevin McGlothlin and Quay White officiating. The family will receive friends from 6:00pm until time of service at 7:00pm.

As an expression of sympathy Minnie wanted to forgo flowers and asked that you make memorial contributions in memory of her, to the Bearwallow Bible Church, 772 Greasy Creek Road, Bandy VA 24602.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **29.** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home  
1401 2nd Street  
Richlands, VA 24641  
<http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com>

## Memorial Service

SEP **29.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Jimbane lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



**jimbane** - October 05, 2019 at 01:59 PM



“ *to the family of "Minnie" Lakey,  
Our thoughts and Prayers go out to you in the passing of your loved one. We have fond memories of our school years with her and know she will be missed by all whose lives she touched. May God bless and comfort you in your bereavement!*

*David Ascue and Jerry Vencill  
RHS '74*

**Jerry Vencill** - October 03, 2019 at 11:12 AM

PS

“ *My condolences to the family!!*



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**Peggy Martin Sparks** - October 01, 2019 at 01:17 PM

TR

“ *Tammy Hackworth Rife lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Tammy Hackworth Rife** - October 01, 2019 at 07:53 AM

RE

“ *Robert & Evelyn lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Robert & Evelyn** - October 01, 2019 at 06:01 AM

BL

*May the Angel's of God be with you thru this difficult time. My heart breaks for you.*

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**betty Elswick Lauer** - October 02, 2019 at 01:28 PM

CW

“ *My memories of Minnie will always be of a kind and joyful person who was loved by many. I am blessed to have attended and graduated high school with her and to reconnect with her via social media on occasion. My condolences to her family.*

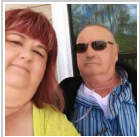
Cliff Walters - September 29, 2019 at 10:12 PM

CW

“ *Cliff Walters lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



Cliff Walters - September 29, 2019 at 10:05 PM



“ *Shelia Newberry lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



Shelia Newberry - September 29, 2019 at 09:46 PM

SB

“ *Many memories growing up together. Prayers for your family and deep sympathy. Sandra Tegeler Bowyer*

sandra bowyer - September 29, 2019 at 08:45 PM

RM

“ *Beautiful lady with a beautiful soul. Love you Minnie.*

Rita McFarlane - September 29, 2019 at 08:03 PM

KL

“ So sorry for your loss



Karen Lester - September 29, 2019 at 07:59 PM

LW

“ Lynda Lawson Whittington lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



Lynda Lawson Whittington - September 29, 2019 at 04:31 PM

BW

“ love and prayers to the family. I love each and everyone of you. I considered Minnie as my "baby sister". We shared many memories together from our childhood and through our life. May God richly bless each of the family.

Brenda Williams - September 29, 2019 at 04:02 PM

SU

“ Susie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



Susie - September 29, 2019 at 03:17 PM

SA

“ Steve & Susie Addison sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



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**Steve & Susie Addison** - September 29, 2019 at 03:13 PM

JW

“ Judy West lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



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**Judy West** - September 29, 2019 at 01:18 PM

JW

*Sorry for your loss, prayers for the family.*

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**Judy West** - September 29, 2019 at 02:48 PM

RN

“ Rosalie Davis Null lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



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**Rosalie Davis Null** - September 29, 2019 at 01:16 PM

MH

“ *Martha Hickman Huffman lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Martha Hickman Huffman** - September 29, 2019 at 11:12 AM

BK

“ *Brenda Killen lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Brenda Killen** - September 29, 2019 at 10:09 AM

HG

“ *Hilda(Jewell) Garrido lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Hilda(Jewell) Garrido** - September 29, 2019 at 09:57 AM

KM

“ *Kathy Liles Moye lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Kathy Liles Moye** - September 29, 2019 at 09:55 AM

RM

“ *Minnie was a treasure to everyone who knew her. Her infectious laugh and loving spirit shown on everyone she came in contact with. Our loss is Heavens gain. Love and prayers to Bobby and the family.* ”

Rhonda McGlothlin-Bennett - September 29, 2019 at 09:48 AM

RM

“ *Rhonda McGlothlin-Bennett sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey* ”



Rhonda McGlothlin-Bennett - September 29, 2019 at 09:43 AM

SP

“ *Sandra Plaster lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey* ”



Sandra Plaster - September 29, 2019 at 09:08 AM

DH

“ *Minnie was such a sweet person.* ”



Debbie Hunsaker - September 29, 2019 at 09:03 AM

JH

“ *Joyce Haynes lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



**Joyce Haynes** - September 29, 2019 at 05:45 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Sneed lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



**Kathy Sneed** - September 28, 2019 at 11:05 PM

NR

“ *Norma Jewell Richardson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



**Norma Jewell Richardson** - September 28, 2019 at 10:11 PM

DC

“ *So sorry for your loss Remember Minnie as a funny fun-loving person. Prayers for all of you.*



**Doug& Malinda Cannaday** - September 28, 2019 at 09:11 PM

J(

“ James & Ruby (VanDyke)Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



James & Ruby (VanDyke)Harmon - September 28, 2019 at 08:53 PM

JL

“ Jeanette Osborne Lucas lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



Jeanette Osborne Lucas - September 28, 2019 at 06:04 PM

LN

“ Larry Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



Larry Nelson - September 28, 2019 at 05:57 PM

LN

“ Leroy Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey



Leroy Nelson - September 28, 2019 at 05:41 PM

CW

“ *Cindy Wright lit a candle in memory of Mary Melinda "Minnie" Phipps Lakey*



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**Cindy Wright** - September 28, 2019 at 04:46 PM

CL

“ *Love to you all. Always admired Minnie as a nurse. Loved her so as a friend. Beautiful inside and out and last but not least, loved that smile and laugh of hers* ❤️ 🙏🙏

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**Cathy Lester** - September 28, 2019 at 04:42 PM

JC

“ *From the 1st day I met Minnie in 1975 at the old Clinch Valley Hospital to the very end she has been a constant friend. Her family took me in as one of their own. She taught me how to water ski and we had so many great days at South Holston being young and crazy. She must have taken a million pictures . Friends to the end, breath easy now and say hi to your Mom for us.*

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**Jenny Raines Clevinger** - September 28, 2019 at 03:49 PM

LA

“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Lesa Artrip** - September 28, 2019 at 02:52 PM



*Lesa thank you for sharing the photos. They have a true reflection of this wonderful Lady.*

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**Carolyn Pyles** - September 28, 2019 at 04:37 PM



*Prayers for all the family and dear friends.*

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**Carolyn Pyles** - September 28, 2019 at 04:37 PM