



Pansy Steele

August 23, 1916 - January 7, 2011

Mrs. Pansy Leona Steele, age 94, of Bandy, Virginia, passed away Friday, January 07, 2011 in a Richlands, Virginia hospital following a lengthy illness. She was born August 23, 1916 in Canebrake, West Virginia and was the daughter of the late George Vince and Hattie Christian Bandy. Pansy was a lifelong Christian, devoted mother, wife, and grandmother. She was a member of the Bandy Chapel Church where she served faithfully for 62 years as the church pianist. She was recognized as the church "Mother". Her first love was her love for her God. She was a member of the Red Hat Club and was an avid gardener and had a gift with flowers. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William Steele; two sons, Vinson Steele and William Steele, Jr.; seven siblings, Kathleen Beavers, George Vince Bandy, Jr., Bobby Bandy, Janice Reid, Medarae Barnett, Herman Bandy, and Delbert Bandy; and one grandchild, Mark Steele. Survivors are: Four Daughters: Shirley Rust and husband, Robert of Johnson City, Tennessee Peggy Hawthorne and husband, Bill of Atlanta, Georgia Katye Ramey and husband, Jim of Bluefield, Virginia Bonnie Niemi and husband, Richard of Draper, Virginia Three Sons: Buddy Steele and wife, Joan of Knoxville, Maryland Doug Steele of Cedar Bluff, Virginia Jimmy Steele and wife, Judy of Bristol, Virginia Two Daughters in Law: Linda Steele and Mary Steele of Cedar Bluff, Virginia Two Sisters: Rosa Bell Altizer of Amonate, Virginia Joanne Copeland of Wetumpka, Alabama Two Brothers Bernard Bandy of Baptist Valley, Virginia Bill Bandy of Pounding Mill, Virginia Fifteen

Grandchildren: Todd Steele, LaRhonda Lindsey, Shane Steele, Tamitha Durham, Kim Payne, Teresa Reid, Denise Marchigiani, Crystal Frey, Melissa Muir, Anthony Steele, Latisha Steele, Jeff Farmer, Bridgette Brown, Marty Garrett, and Bryant Garrett. 30 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great Great Grandchild also survive Funeral services for Pansy Leona Steele will be conducted Sunday, January 9, 2011 at 2:00pm at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with Rev. Walter Jessee, Rev. Barry Jessee, and Rev. Bob Steele officiating. Interment will follow at the Steele Family Cemetery near Bandy, Virginia. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Tommy Bandy, Baylor Guy, Rev. Max Linkous, Richard Bentley, and Johnny Sparks. Friends may call after 6:00pm Saturday evening at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia. 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

Tribute Wall



“ *Pansy Steele*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Pansy Steele*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about your Mother, she was such a sweet & special lady. She was my patient for many years. Our families go back many years to when our kids were just babies, yet it seems like only yesterday. May GOD give each one of you many blessings and much comfort and peace, knowing that your Mother is in the arms of Jesus and she will never have another worry or pain. We will be praying for your family. Pat & Jerry and Family.*

Jerry & Pat Warner - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have heard many wonderful things about Kim's grandmother - she was well loved and very strong. She will be greatly missed.*

Genny Gruel - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ To all the Steele Family,
We are so sorry to learn of your Mom's death. She has had her struggles health wise the last few years but she still had a wonderful attitude. She was a very sweet lady and you were blessed to have kept her with you for so long. I was amazed several years ago, to learn she was still playing the piano for church. What wonderful memories she has left for you. May you find strength in God's Love and may He guide you through this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you!

Love,
Jane Ellen Horton
"Rocky" and Pat Horton

Jane Ellen Horton - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LQ

“ Katy, Bonnie , Jimmy, Bryant
So sorry to read of your Mom, Grandmother.
This has to be one of the hardest things that we go through, when we lose a parent.
I pray that God will strengthen you daily as you walk through this time of hurt. Always remember the good times that you shared with her.

Lila Mitchell, Quesenberry

Lila Quesenberry - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Kim-
Pattie and I have your family in our prayers.
-Mike

Michael Shaw - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Mamaw, You were the most wonderful grandmother and role model that anyone could have ever ask for. I am so blessed to be able to have grown up with someone like you in my life. I will remember the days with Kim, papaw and you. I will hold in my heart the wonderful memories of the grand children, horses, dogs and birds. I love you so much and I will see you again someday. I hope you are having a great time with all your family in heaven. I know they were so happy to see you. So until we meet again I will hold you in my heart forever. I love you. Tamitha

Tamitha Steele Durham - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Dear Family Members,

My prayers are with you during this difficult time. She raised a wonderful family, and many of you have been very special in my life. I send my love and deepest sympathy.

Anna Damron - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ So sorry for you loss. In times of great personal loss, I have always found comfort in a saying someone once shared with me.
"Those we love are with the Lord & the Lord has promised to be with us.
If they are with Him & He is with us, then they cannot be far away"
I pray that you find the comfort you need I send you all my love & deepest sympathy

De Anna Bandy Gist - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Although I never knew Mrs. Steele, I often heard Peggy talk about her mother with great admiration and respect. I also read about her life and know that she left behind an incredible family legacy. What an inspiration! She's now in eternal peace with our most loving God! May God's peace be with you during this time of grieving.

Mitch Smith - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ I know your hearts are sorrowing at this time in your precious Mother's homegoing, but she leaves behind a wonderful legacy to her family. A Christian life well lived, a home that abounded with love, guidance and wisdom that continues on; not in her presence, but in her memory and honor.

My prayers and thoughts are with you.

Karen Shelton Tuggle - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Dear Jim and family,

Extending deep and heartfelt sympathy to all of Pansy's family.

May the good memories of the love you shared comfort you now and in the days to come.

Cova Lee and Ivan Freeman

Cova Lee Freeman - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss your mother, she was a fine lady. Earth's loss is heaven's gain , and I can only imagine that she is sitting in heaven playing for the Angelic Choir, keeping each on key, sharing that big warm smile and laugh. May God's Angels surround and comfort you during this time of sorrow as God hold's you in his arms.

Sandie Harris - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Robert and I will be unable to attend the wake or funeral due to his recent surgery. We wanted you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We are so sorry for your loss.

Robert and Peggy Hughes - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ My dear friends,
I am sorry to hear of Pansy's death. What a wonderful lady and good example to so many people she was. Her love for God and her family were beyond expectation. She was very dear to me and I will never forget her goodness toward me for lots of years. We always looked forward to visiting her when we were in VA. Jim and I are in Florida visiting our daughter and her family so I cannot come to the funeral but you are in my prayers. Hello to all the family - you all are dear to me.
Love, Dorothy

Dorothy Beavers Saunders - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *Tamitha, so sorry to hear of the loss of your grandmother. Our prayers and thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*
Sincerely Naomi and Bill Ray Joyce

Bill and Naomi Joyce - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *We are so sorry for loss our prayers will be with you.*

Robert & Shirley Harrison - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ *My condolences to the family. God has truly taken an angel home. Pansy will be missed by all who knew her. My prayers to you all.*
Nancy Jane (Beavers) Whaley

Nancy Jane Whaley - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *My prayers and condolences to the family of Pansy.*

Brian Guy - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *Katye I just received the news of your lost late this evenng and it was to late to drive to Richlands. Your Mother was a lovely lady. When lu5AVh2 remember the cute person she was I have to smile.I pray God brings you comfort knowing that she has gone to her heavenly home. Please give my condolences to Doug, Bonnie, Jimmy and Peggy and all the members of your family. Weather permitting, I will see you tomorrow.*

Sharon R Turner - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Sorry to hear about your mom she was dear to our hearts as well.
She will be missed by everyone

Michael & Susie Stevenson - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I am so very sorry for your family's loss. I have you all in my
thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Kim

Kim Hankins - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR FAMILY'S LOSS. YOU
ALL HAVE GOOD MEMORIES TO SHARE AND CHERISH. OUR
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. PANSY WAS A
MEMBER OF OUR "SCARLETT O'HATTERS" RED HAT SOCIETY.
WE ALL WENT TO HER 90TH BIRTHDAY PARTY. SHE WILL
ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED.

SINCERELY
JIMMY AND JUDY HANKINS

Judy Hankins - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Calvary Baptist Church expresses its condolences to the family in
their loss. We send our love and prayers. If there is anything we can
do for the family, please let us know.

Calvary Baptist Church - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ We are so, sad for your great lose! May, the Lord Bless each and everyone Hearts as I know he has her's. She is with him today. She will be missed. I know, as I have Loved and Missed her.

William Roger and Earline Garrett - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom, Grandmother, Sister and Aunt. I didn't know her personally, but I am friends with Rosa Bell's family. I have heard that she was a wonderful, thoughtful, and special lady, who loved life and her family. I pray that GOD will give you comfort in the days ahead, and embrace the memories you have. There is a poem that comes to mind, it is called..I'M FREE..the last verse says this..

*Perhaps my time seemed all to brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me
GOD wanted me now, He set me free.*

GOD set her FREE, from the pain and suffering she had gone through.

*This gave me comfort when I lost my grandma just one year ago.
God bless you, and I will be praying for you all.*

Robin Dye

Robin Dye - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Our sincere sympathy and prayers are with you at this sad time in the loss of your Mother. My Mother, Allene Beavers Myer, always recalled special memories of growing up in Bandy and had fond memories of being friends with Pansy. Also, I remember once on Mother's Day when we had taken Mom out to eat and Pansy and all her children were at the same restaurant celebrating Mother's Day....Pansy looked so happy and proud of her big family and was so pretty dressed up with her hat. May each of you feel blessed to have had Pansy with you for so many years. I'm sure you have lots of memories to cherish and I know she and Mom are reliving good memories in heaven now.
Love and prayers,
Carol

Carol Myer Raines - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Pansy was wonderful neighbor and precious lady. She will be missed by many. We hope your family seeks comfort in all the hope and dreams she left in each of you.

Kenneth and Audrey Harris - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HJ

“ Pansy was such a gem!!! She always loved to have visitors and treated me so special each time I got to see her. To each of you I pray for your continued strength as you lean on each other and the community.

Hollie Harris Jones - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ You are missed by more than I could count. My heart and prayers go out to the family. I love you all so very much. I wish I could have been there for you all, but know You all will always be in my heart, God be with you, I love you.

Carolyn Janie Lambert Barrett - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To the Steele family,

My thoughts and prayers are with each and every one of you in the loss of Pansy. She was a very sweet person and I know you will miss her dearly.

Sue Spencer & Family

Sue Spencer - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Mr. Steele, I am very sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this time.

Angela Duty - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Mamaw you will be deeply missed. You were not only a grandmother but a mother to all of us. I cherish the memories we shared through all the years from the time I was small. I'm gonna miss my church buddy, my neighbor, my friend. My heart is broken! I love you and pray that you will be with me in spirit! You were such an inspiration to me. I'll never forget the times we shared together. R.I.P.

Brigette F Brown - January 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM