



Vella Kathleen Sparks

January 27, 1931 - August 10, 2016

Vella Kathleen Sparks, age 85 of Baptist Valley, VA went to be with the Lord on August 10th, 2016

She was born on January 27th, 1931 in Endwell, West Virginia to the late Earby and Rosa Rose. Vella was a homemaker and had dedicated her life to her family, being a mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister and aunt brought her great joy. Vella, opened her heart and home to other children and was a mother and grandmother to all of them. She loved playing the piano and singing, and was of The Assembly of God belief. Vella was known as a woman of faith, she always put her faith in God and encourages others to do the same.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her loving Husband of 37 wonderful years Rex Eugene Sparks; son, Curtis Lee Puckett; grandson, Zachary Sparks; sisters, Pearl Beavers, Jenny Penix, Frances Sturgell; brothers, Jess Rose, Wiley Rose.

She is survived by:

Her daughter, Vela Ann Chandler and Husband Casey of Huntersville, NC

Sons: Rex Allen Sparks and wife Goldie of Cedar Bluff, VA

Douglas Odell Puckett of TN

Sister, Cora Lawson of Crystal River, FL

Grandchildren, Cody Sparks, Ryan Chandler, Kane Chandler, Mathew

Puckett, Michelle Owens, Christina Bowman, Lauren Flores, Dillon Flores,

Maggie Cremeans. Great grandchildren, Nicole Owens, Bayli Flores, Aksel

Flores.

Several nieces and nephews and a host of family also survive.

Her grandson, Cody moved in with his grandmother so she would not have to leave her home, and when Vella came to the point of needing more help, her daughter in law Goldie gave up her home to move in and dedicated her life to caring for Vella. These two special people made life more special for Vella on a daily basis.

The funeral service for Vella Kathleen Sparks will be conducted at 2:00 pm on Saturday, August 13, 2016 at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel with the Minister's Mark Hinson and Curtis Shrader officiating. Interment will follow at the Greenhills Memory Gardens. Robert Dooley, Danny Sparks, Worley Whitt, David Beavers, Charlie Price, and Bobby Alicie will serve as pallbearers. The family will begin to receive friends at 6:00 pm on Friday evening.

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

Greenhills Memory Gardens

11800 Gov G.C. Peery Hwy
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

AUG 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Vella Kathleen Sparks*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Vella Kathleen Sparks*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *David Beavers lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks*



David Beavers - August 15, 2016 at 12:31 PM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks*



TonyanEdgar Wicks - August 15, 2016 at 11:43 AM

FF

“ I am sorry for your loss. Words can never be enough to express the sadness I feel with her passing. I remember last year when Mom passed she came and it touched my heart so much to see her there. She was such a wonderful woman. Thoughts and prayers are to all of you during this difficult time. Heaven gained a wonderful soul.

Fannie (Price) Farmer

Fannie Farmer - August 12, 2016 at 01:56 PM

LC

“ My sympathies to Ann and her family. Praying for comfort and peace.

Love, Linda



Linda Criminger - August 12, 2016 at 12:06 PM

JF

“ Vella was an angel here on earth who blessed and touched many people. She was a very strong Christian and heaven is richer now. We all grieve for Doug, Matt, R.A., V.A, Cody, Goldie, Sabrina and Tash, Heather and all who loved her and believe it to be true she loved all the family dearly. She was one of the kindest most loving person I have ever known. May GOD bless you all with peace and comfort.

Judy Fowler - August 12, 2016 at 11:49 AM

RC

“ Ron Coleman purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Vella Kathleen Sparks.



Ron Coleman - August 12, 2016 at 09:39 AM

RC

“ RA I can remember for several years you worried about your mother and her declining health. It reminded me of my own mother and her declining health. It is very difficult when the time comes that our loved one passes even though we have seen life slipping away day by day. We now have to travel the road without our mother and hope we can make her proud. So very sorry for your loss RA.

ronald d coleman - August 12, 2016 at 08:45 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Vella Kathleen Sparks.



August 12, 2016 at 08:19 AM

CP

“ Carolyn Baldwin Pyles lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks



Carolyn Baldwin Pyles - August 12, 2016 at 06:34 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Vella Kathleen Sparks.*



August 12, 2016 at 06:18 AM



“ *Pam Sparks Taylor lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks*



Pam Sparks Taylor - August 11, 2016 at 11:55 PM



“ *Ann,
I can remember your mom always being so nice to me when I was there. Her smile was the sweetest!*



Pam Sparks Taylor - August 11, 2016 at 11:54 PM



“ *Peggy Martin Sparks lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks*



Peggy Martin Sparks - August 11, 2016 at 09:08 PM

LB

“ Love, Sandy,Ricky and the Boys purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Vella Kathleen Sparks.



Love, Sandy,Ricky and the Boys - August 11, 2016 at 08:42 PM

PB

“ Aunt Vella was such a dear sweet and loveable person. She loved life, her family and our awesome God. We will truly miss our visits to her when in Virginia. At our last reunion she was all smiles, even joined in with some of the singing. Rest in peace Aunt Vella. Patsy and L.C. Beavers

Patsy Beavers - August 11, 2016 at 07:58 PM



“ Glorious Memories Garland was purchased for the family of Vella Kathleen Sparks.



August 11, 2016 at 07:02 PM

SA

“ Sandy lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks



Sandy - August 11, 2016 at 06:53 PM

JS

“ *Julie Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks*



Julie Stevenson - August 11, 2016 at 06:38 PM

SB

“ *Sharon Beavers lit a candle in memory of Vella Kathleen Sparks*



Sharon Beavers - August 11, 2016 at 06:36 PM

JF

There are no words to describe the magnitude of Vella's love for all her family and friends. She was the most generous and selfless person I ever met. I never heard her raise her voice to her beloved grandson Matthew who she and Rex loved and help raise as if he were their own child. They were the most generous and kind people I ever met. The world lost two magnificent people but GOD and heaven are richer now. May All the family have peace and comfort! She loved everyone and treated all with equal love and open arms. With many tears Judy Fowler

Judy Fowler - August 12, 2016 at 07:52 AM

AL

“ *VELLA, My dear sweet Aunt. She was such a sweet soft spoken woman. She loved all her family. I Always enjoyed coming to see our family in Virginia and she was such a joy to be around. She always had a smile on her face. She will be greatly missed. The Rose family*

Assunta Rose Lickliter - August 11, 2016 at 06:10 PM