



Wanda Carole Marie Lawson

October 19, 1941 - October 2, 2022

Wanda Carole Marie Lawson, age 80, of Richlands, Virginia, passed away Sunday, October 2, 2022 in Bristol, Tennessee.

She was born in Raven, Virginia on October 19, 1941 and was the daughter of the late Cecil C. Lawson, Sr. and Edna Rachel Altizer Lawson.

She was a graduate of Richlands High School Class of 1959, attended Radford College and then transferred and graduated from Medical College of Virginia in 1963. Upon graduating, she headed the lab at Clinch Valley Medical Center in Richlands, Virginia for 18 months. She then moved to Newport News where she taught 7th grade for one year. The next year, she became an instructor in the Medical Technology program at Riverside Hospital in Newport News, Virginia. Upon closing the program, she became a biology and chemistry teacher at Menchville High School in Newport News, Virginia.

Upon retiring, she moved back to Richlands, Virginia in 2004 to be with family and help care for her mother. It was at this time she continued her teaching by working in the GED program, first in Tazewell, and then in Richlands. She loved working with the students and encouraging them to pursue their dreams.

She reluctantly retired from the GED program in 2019 after being diagnosed

with pancreatic cancer. She fought a long and courageous battle and always kept her faith and positive attitude.

She attended Richlands First United Methodist Church and loved her church family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death her brother, Cecil C. "Scotty" Lawson, Jr.

Survivors are:

Sister: Donna Lawson Whittington of Raven, Virginia

Sister-In-Law: Toni Lawson in Abingdon, Virginia

Nieces:

Amanda Scott Lawson Pillion and husband, Todd of Abingdon, Virginia

Whitney Lynn Lawson Belt and husband, Randy of Johnson City, TN

Mary Cecille Lawson Skeens and husband, Josh of Knoxville, TN

Great Nieces:

Virginia Rachel Pillion, Riley Lynn Belt, Ryan Ann Belt, Mary Grace Skeens,

Mildred Kathryn "Millie" Skeens, and Scotlyn Elizabeth Skeens

Great Nephews:

Todd Edward "Teddy" Pillion, Henry Scott Pillion, and George Douglas Pillion

Step Nieces:

Jennifer Marie Whittington of New York City, NY

Laura Meagan Whittington Cantrell and husband, Alex of Lexington, KY

Step Great Nieces and Nephews:

Heidi Marie Harris, Chloe Jayne Cantrell, and Connor Wayne Cantrell

Her beloved fur babies: Ebony and Lucky

She is also survived by a host of extended family and friends.

Funeral services for Wanda Lawson will be conducted Friday, October 7, 2022 at 11am at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Chapel in Richlands, Virginia with the Rev. Gordon McBride and Rev. Danny Houchins officiating. Interment will follow at Clinch Valley Memorial Cemetery in Richlands, Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Doug Altizer, Landon Altizer, Todd Pillion, Randy Belt, Josh Skeens, and Alex Cantrell. Friends may call Thursday evening from 6pm until 9pm on Thursday at the Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions made be made to: Richlands First United Methodist Church, 402 Suffolk Avenue, Richlands, Virginia 24641; The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN), 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266; or the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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

Clinch Valley Memorial Cemetery

3201 West Front Street/US 460
Richlands, VA 24641

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hurst-Scott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wanda Carole Marie Lawson



Hurst-Scott Funeral Home - October 13, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ Wanda Carole Marie Lawson

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ Wanda Carole Marie Lawson

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ I had Wanda's mother years ago in home health Wanda was always nice to me she took good care of her mother she was a precious lady and smart lady she will be missed Earth's loss is Heaven's gain!

Joann mounts - October 16, 2022 at 02:34 PM

TM

“ *Tom and Dot McGlothlin lit a candle in memory of Wanda Lawson*



Tom and Dot McGlothlin - October 14, 2022 at 07:29 AM

BJ

“ *Bill And Naomi Joyce lit a candle in memory of Wanda Carole Marie Lawson*



Bill and Naomi Joyce - October 11, 2022 at 05:56 PM

RH

“ *Prayers for the family.*



Rocky&Pat Horton - October 06, 2022 at 10:26 PM

AD

“ *Wanda was a special lady and her passing brings me much sadness. I am praying for all the family.*



Anna Damron - October 06, 2022 at 04:33 PM

CL

“ Charlie Donna Little lit a candle in memory of Wanda Lawson



Charlie and Donna Little - October 06, 2022 at 11:38 AM

CK

“ Donna,
I am so very sorry for your loss of Wanda.
Please know that you are in my thoughts and
prayers. May your precious memories of
Wanda fill the void in your heart until you are
reunited with her.
Love,
Christine



Christine Kinser - October 06, 2022 at 11:34 AM

AP

“ So sorry to hear about Wanda’s passing. She
fought a good battle. We are out of town and
will not be able to attend but our thoughts and
prayers are with all the family. ❤️❤️🙏🙏.
Alice and Jack



Alice Pyott - October 06, 2022 at 10:30 AM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Wanda Lawson*



TonyanEdgar Wicks - October 05, 2022 at 01:40 PM

SH

“ *Many prayers to you and your family in the days and weeks ahead. I can't begin to express how much Wanda meant to me and what a joy it was to work with her over the years. Her priority was always to our students and she is missed greatly.*

Susan Harris - October 05, 2022 at 11:42 AM

WR

“ *Wendy Reedy lit a candle in memory of Wanda Lawson*



Wendy Reedy - October 05, 2022 at 09:52 AM



“ *Many prayers and much love to Donna and her family as they mourn the passing of their beloved sister. May God send peace and comfort to each of you and may all those memories turn into treasures for each family member.*

Linda Altizer - October 04, 2022 at 06:30 PM

CR

“ Christopher Rogich lit a candle in memory of Wanda Lawson



Christopher Rogich - October 04, 2022 at 01:19 PM