



Gertrude Tosh Harris

January 12, 1935 - September 19, 2016

Gertrude Tosh Harris passed on to heaven September 19, 2016. She was the eighth child born to Gertrude Crouch Tosh and Henry Sy Tosh on January 12, 1935. Upon the death of her mother when Gertrude was only two weeks old, she was raised by Gladys Matherly McDowell.

In 1957, she married Chyle “Bud” Harris and for many years the couple lived on Noble Avenue in Danville. Bud passed on in 1993 and Gertrude’s last home in Danville was at Heritage Towers. As a young woman she was a member of the Baptist Tabernacle. Later in life, she attended Schoolfield Pentecostal Holiness Church. She worked in the dietary department of Memorial Hospital/Danville Regional for many years.

In 2006, she moved to Salem, VA to be closer to her daughter Robin Harris Bailey and son-in-law C. Richard Bailey and most importantly, her granddaughter Claire M. Bailey. Gertrude’s love for her family, her sweet nature, and her enduring smile prevailed most bravely during her battle with Alzheimer’s. Her last years were spent at Ridgecrest apartments and most recently, Richfield Long Term Care. The family would like to thank her physicians and care givers for their guidance and support.

Among those who will cherish her memory are her brothers Ray McDowell and Thurman Crouch, sister Linda M. Samuels, her lifelong best friend Marie

Turman, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She was predeceased by her brothers: James, Oscar, Eloyd, and Ned Tosh and her sisters Elva Towler, Dorothy Moore, and Pauline Gibson.

A celebration of her life will be held on Friday, September 23, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Wrenn Yeatts North Main Chapel with the Reverend Michael C. Pressley and the Reverend Steve Carlton officiating. Interment will follow at Highland Burial Park. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

The family welcomes flowers or memorial donations to Schoolfield Pentecostal Holiness Church at 1380 West Main Street, Danville, VA 24541.

Gertrude always searched “for the good in every person.” To honor her life, please smile at a stranger and be kind to one another.

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is respectfully serving the Harris family.

Cemetery Details

Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Previous Events

Celebration Of Life

SEP **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel
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Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to learn of your loss. May your many shared family memories bring you comfort. The scriptures remind us that Almighty God is close to those who grieve; "...He saves those who are crushed in spirit." (Psalm 34:18) My sincerest condolences to all of you.

Dana H. - September 23, 2016 at 05:47 PM

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“ Meeting my biological family later in life, i was so glad to have the opportunity to meet & get to spend some time with this most kind hearted woman. I wish i could've had the opportunity to spend more time with her & really got to know her. I am truly sorry for the loss & pain Robin & her family are going through & i am sure they know that this angel that was on earth is now with our Father in Heaven & is a angel for Our Lord now. God Bless you all in your time of grief now. My heart goes out to you!



Carla Meador Capps - September 21, 2016 at 08:50 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gertrude Tosh Harris.



September 20, 2016 at 05:22 PM