



Gloria Jean Sparks

December 31, 1940 - August 30, 2025

Gloria Jean Sparks, 84, of 2642 Rocksprings Road, Ringgold, VA went home to be with her Lord on Saturday, August 30, 2025 peacefully at her residence.

Born on December 31, 1940 in Tazewell County, Virginia, she was a daughter of the late Ray Atwood and Maggie Thompson Atwood.

On November 19, 1958, she married the love of her life, Donald Sparks, who survives. She was a bookkeeper and secretary for the former Don's Cabinet Shop and Sparks Home Builders. Gloria was a faithful member of The Tabernacle for over 60 years.

In addition to her husband, Don, Gloria is survived by her children, Kathy Thompson (David) of Ringgold, VA, Donna DiGiacomo of Eden, NC, Roger Sparks (Denise) of Brookneal, VA and Debbie St. John (David) of Lynchburg, VA; ten grandchildren; twenty-eight great grandchildren and one great grandchild on the way. She is also survived by three sisters, Peggy Bartley (Irvin) of Kentucky, Carol Jones and Elizabeth Harold, both of Tazewell, VA; and three brothers, Ray Atwood, Jr of Tazewell, VA, Russell Atwood of Texas and Blanchard Atwood of Michigan.

In addition to her parents, Gloria was preceded in death by seven brothers and sisters.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at The Tabernacle, 1978 South Boston Rd, Danville, VA 24540. At all other times, the family will be at the residence.

The funeral service will be held on Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at The Tabernacle with Reverend Dr. Danny Campbell and Reverend Dr. Doug Barber officiating. Interment will follow the service in Danville Memorial Gardens.

The family respectfully asks, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Ringgold Fire & Rescue, PO Box 10, Ringgold, VA 24586 or to God's Storehouse, PO Box 48, Danville, VA 24543.

Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home, North Main Chapel is respectfully serving the Sparks family.

Cemetery Details

Danville Memorial Gardens

510 Church Avenue
Danville, VA

Previous Events

Receive Friends

SEP 2. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

The Tabernacle
1978 South Boston Highway
Danville, VA 24540

Funeral Service

SEP 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

The Tabernacle
1978 South Boston Highway
Danville, VA 24540

Burial

SEP 3 (ET)

Danville Memorial Gardens
510 Church Avenue
Danville, VA

Tribute Wall



“ Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gloria Jean Sparks



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - September 01, 2025 at 10:30 AM

TD



Teresa Sparks Dodge - September 01, 2025 at 03:15 PM

DB



Donna Berrong - September 01, 2025 at 05:22 PM

KJ

Mrs. Sparks was one of the kindest and sweetest lady. We will truly miss her.

Karen Johnston - September 04, 2025 at 10:54 AM

BH

“ Aunt Gloria, was a beautiful soul! When I had the opportunity to be around her she always had a sweet smile, and a kind word! She was a strong woman. Aunt Gloria, RIP, we will see you again. I will always love you and keep the memories safely in my heart and mind. ❤️ 🌹 🌹 🌹

Brenda Faye Roberts Horn - October 13, 2025 at 08:49 AM

NW

“ Sorry to hear of Gloria's passing. Your family is in our prayers.



Nancy & Tommy Watson - September 07, 2025 at 09:37 PM

TB

“ One of the nicest people I knew
She was always kind and caring. Enjoyed talking to her. Peace be with the family. Tom Baker

Tom Baker - September 02, 2025 at 10:42 PM

DE

“ I remember Gloria coming into Food World/Harris Teeter to shop each week, her 2 daughters Kathy and Donna worked there as well. Gloria was the sweet lady that smiled all the time, was soft spoken, and so kind. Her family is a wonderful family. In my thoughts and Prayers.

Dee Myers(Delores Elixson) - September 02, 2025 at 07:00 PM

DB

“ My thoughts & prayers for her Don and the family of Mrs. Sparks a very wonderful christian lady i had the privilege to know her from the Goodyear store for many years where we serviced her vehicles . It was always a pleasure. David Barksdale

David Barksdale - September 02, 2025 at 06:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Jean Sparks.

September 02, 2025 at 12:40 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.



September 02, 2025 at 12:40 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Thinking and praying for the family.



Christina Jackson - September 02, 2025 at 11:27 AM



“ Dominion Energy Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gloria Jean Sparks.

Dominion Energy Family - September 02, 2025 at 04:33 AM

DF

“ Dominion Energy Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.



Dominion Energy Family - September 02, 2025 at 04:33 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Jean Sparks.

September 01, 2025 at 10:07 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.



September 01, 2025 at 10:07 PM

TD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. Don and Gloria Jean have always been special people to my family. My Dad and Don grew up together, cousins, and my Dad thought of Don as a brother. We could only hope that the Lord could bless us all with the life and love Don and Gloria Jean had. Gloria Jean, you will be missed. I loved visiting you and the conversations we would have. RIP and God Bless 🙏🙏❤️🙏

Teresa Sparks Dodge.

Teresa Sparks Dodge - September 01, 2025 at 03:05 PM

JB

“ *Such a lovely woman, always thinking of others. So happy she is in heaven without pain. God give the strength and peace during this difficult time to her family. Mike and Joan Bryant*

Joan Bryant - September 01, 2025 at 11:43 AM

DA

“ *Donna Atwood Kramer, Mack & Linda Atwood planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gloria Jean Sparks.*

Donna Atwood Kramer, Mack & Linda Atwood - September 01, 2025 at 11:18 AM

DA

“ *Donna Atwood Kramer, Mack & Linda Atwood purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.*



Donna Atwood Kramer, Mack & Linda Atwood - September 01, 2025 at 11:18 AM

DM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all*



Donald Meade - September 01, 2025 at 09:36 AM

WB

“ We are very sorry to hear about the passing of Gloria. She will be missed. We will be keeping the family in our prayers.

Wesley and Violet Barker - August 31, 2025 at 06:43 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Jean Sparks.

August 31, 2025 at 02:40 PM



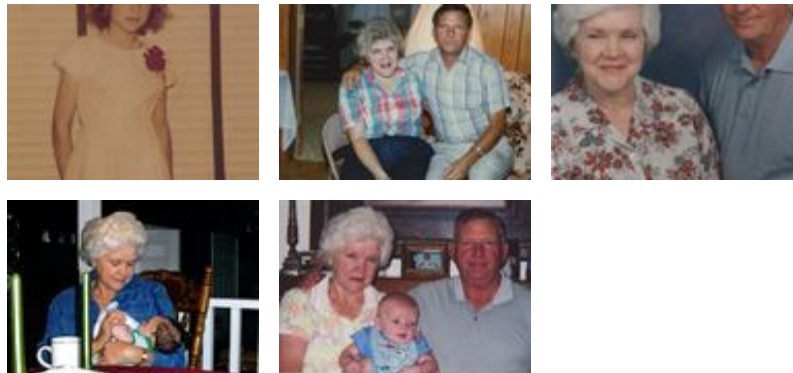
“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.



August 31, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ 31 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - August 31, 2025 at 10:52 AM

DR

Such a wonderful person She will be missed so much Praying for you Don

David Roberts - August 31, 2025 at 12:18 PM

DS

My Love and Prayers are with the entire family. ❤️🙏
Dorothy Squires

Dorothy Squires - September 01, 2025 at 03:43 PM

KR

“*Kim, PJ, James, Natalie, Cyris and Rich purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.*



Kim, PJ, James, Natalie, Cyris and Rich - August 30, 2025 at 10:48 PM

TR

“*Thad and Melissa Rothrock purchased the Divine Light for the family of Gloria Jean Sparks.*



Thad and Melissa Rothrock - August 30, 2025 at 07:57 PM