



Hester Hale Gilley

July 7, 1934 - February 6, 2026

Hester Mae Hale Gilley, 91, formerly of Cooper Street, Danville, VA went home to be with her Lord on Friday, February 6, 2026 at Roman Eagle Rehabilitation and Health Care after being in declining health for the past five years.

Hester was born in Danville, VA on July 7, 1934, a daughter of the late Wilson Hale and Ruby Mae Tucker Lacks. She spent her life in the Danville area where she worked for Hanover Mills and Fieldcrest Textile until her retirement. She attended River Oak Church of God.

Hester found joy in shopping and spending time working on puzzles. She was especially well known for the delicious biscuits that she would bake, which she loved sharing with family and friends. Above all, she was deeply devoted to her mother, caring for her for more than 20 years until her passing.

Survivors include, her sons, Henry Tommy Stowe and his wife Robin of Danville, VA, Isaac "Junior" Stowe of Thomasville, NC; daughter, Carol Guastaveno and her husband David of Dry Fork, VA; her grandchildren, Brian, Anna, Bradley, Kayron, Earl, Amy, Brett, and Angela; brother, Grover Hale and his wife Sally of Danville, VA; niece, Wendy Brannock; special cousin, Betty McDaniel; and numerous great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Hester was predeceased by a brother, Lee Roy Hale.

Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, February 15, 2026 at 3:00 P.M. at the Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel with Dr. Eric Medford officiating. Interment will follow the service in Highland Burial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the service on Sunday at the funeral home from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. and at other times will be at the residence of her son, Henry Tommy Stowe, at 145 Knollwood Terrace, Danville, VA 24540.

Memorial donations can be made to a charity of your choice.

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

Cemetery Details

Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 15. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel
703 North Main Street
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



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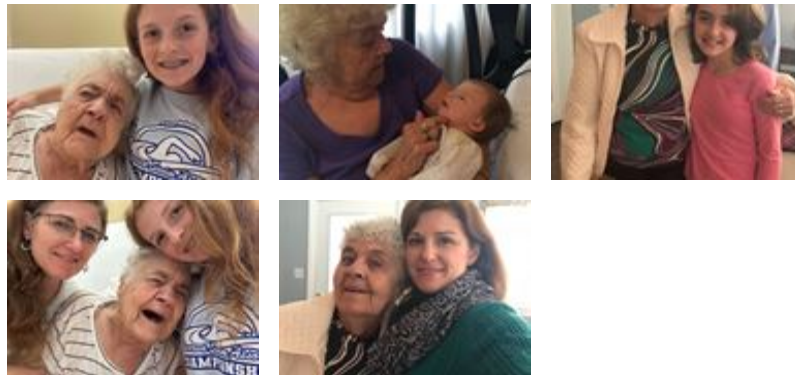


“ She was a sweet lady sorry for your loss. Mr&Mrs John Grant

John Grant - February 16 at 11:29 AM



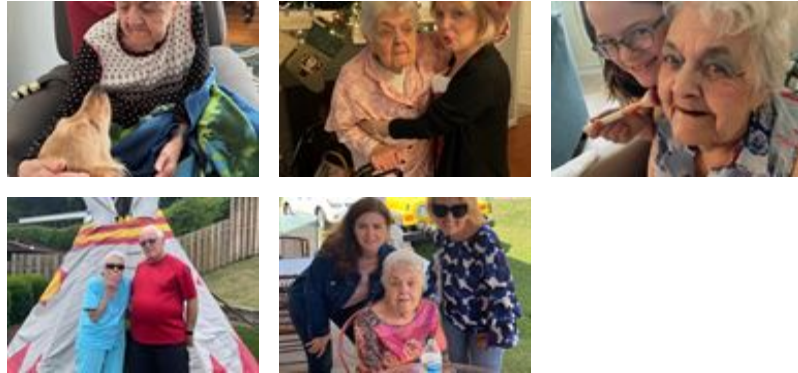
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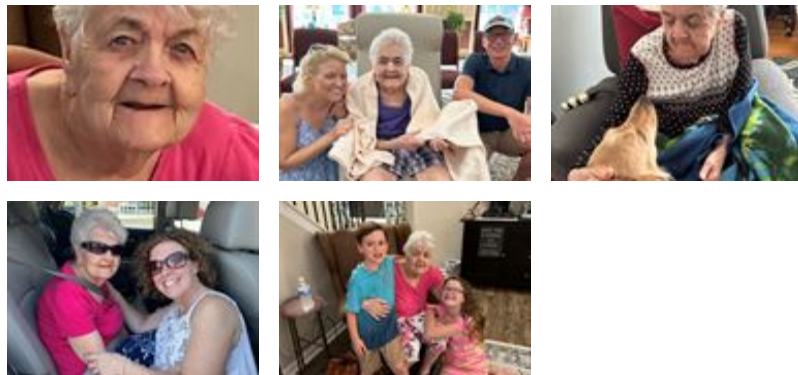
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“ Tommy and Carol and family i was so sorry to hear about Hester .She and i worked at Fieldcrest and i rode with her to work . i am Praying for all of you .May you have the sweet Peace only God can give

linda Hill - February 12 at 11:57 AM

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“ Grover, Sally and Wendy, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember Hester from when I was little. My thoughts and prayers are with you all and her children and grandchildren. God Bless!
Deborah Doss

Deborah Doss - February 09 at 09:20 AM