



Bettie Mae Shaw

November 9, 1926 - April 21, 2026

Elizabeth “Bettie” Mae Flinchum Shaw, age 99, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at Holston Health and Rehabilitation Center in Wytheville, VA.

Born on November 9, 1926, in Bluefield, West Virginia, Bettie was the daughter of the late Richard Foy Flinchum and Leota Elizabeth Lemons Flinchum. She was the last surviving member of the Flinchum family, a distinction that spoke to both her longevity and the legacy she carried with grace.

Bettie dedicated many years of her professional life as a Commercial Loan Assistant at Flat Top National Bank, where she was respected for her diligence, kindness, and steady presence. Outside of her work, she found great joy in life’s simple pleasures. She loved reading, followed sports with enthusiasm, and had a special affection for animals—especially cats, which held a cherished place in her heart.

Her faith was a cornerstone of her life. Bettie was a devoted member of Bluefield Christian Assembly, where she faithfully attended for many years. She found fulfillment in teaching Sunday school and was a consistent source of encouragement, kindness, and wisdom to her church family.

Bettie was known for her sharp wit, a trait that stayed with her until her passing. She was lovingly known as “Bebo” by her family, a name that reflected the deep affection they held for her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Warren Jack Shaw.

Bettie is survived by her niece, Diana Jones Kidd of Bluefield, Virginia, and was a cherished aunt to her great-niece and great-nephews, who will remember her for her steadfast presence in their lives.

Bettie's life was defined by faith, resilience, and a deep love for her family and community. She leaves behind a legacy of kindness and quiet strength that will be remembered by all who knew her.

Graveside services will be Thursday, April 30, 2026 at 12:00 PM at Monte Vista Park Cemetery.

Mercer Funeral Home is assisting the Shaw family with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Monte Vista Park Cemetery

Route 123
Bluefield, WV 24701

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR **30**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bettie Mae Shaw.*



April 29 at 11:51 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bettie Mae Shaw.

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“ *Diana, not sure if you remember me. Russ and I had our first home in your Mother's apartment on Union St. I loved your Aunt Betty. She was always so very kind to us and always remembered who we were. Very precious lady.*



I'm so sorry for your loss.

Ann Taylor - April 25 at 03:43 PM



So sorry to hear of Betty's passing .. I worked at Flat Top Bank for several years with her. She was always cheerful and friendly. I have fond memories of Betty.

Gerri Broyles Lamie - April 26 at 05:23 PM

PS

Diane, so sorry for Ms Betty passing. I can remember when she used to visit your mother and grandmother on Union St. My sincere condolences and prayers. Penny Meador Smith

Penny Smith - May 05 at 07:32 PM