



Elizabeth Ann Boykin

March 10, 1925 - February 27, 2022

Bluefield, WV – Elizabeth Ann Lowman Hale Boykin died at her residence February 27, 2022.

Liz Ann was born March 10, 1925 to the late David Thomas Lowman, Sr. and Mary Elizabeth Kahle Lowman. During the depression, her family moved in with her widowed aunt, Kathleen Peck and her five children, Katherine, Mary, Rachel, Charles, and David. They were raised as brothers and sisters.

In 1926, she was the first baby to be baptized at Westminster Presbyterian Church. In 1942, she graduated from Beaver High School and then attended Bluefield College and West Virginia University. In 1946, she graduated from Duke University Medical Center. She was registered with the American Society of Chemical Pathologists. As a young woman, she ran the lab at Princeton Memorial Hospital in Princeton, WV. After her children were born, she worked for Dr. R.H. Fowlkes, Dr. Otis King, and Dr. James McGee as a lab technician.

Liz Ann married her first husband, Charles B. Hale on October 8, 1949. They had two children and lived happily in Bluefield, then Richlands, VA, then back to Bluefield until he passed away in 1980. In 1985, she married her second husband, Lemuel W. Boykin and they moved to Richmond, VA for ten years and then moved back home to Bluefield. He passed away in 2005.

She was a long-time member of First Presbyterian Church in Bluefield and was a very active and vocal member. She volunteered at the Union Mission thrift store in the West Virginia Manor where she made many friends. For

many years, she volunteered as a counselor at the Easter Seal Camp for the handicapped in Glenwood. She never met a stranger and was loved by all who met her. She had lunch once a month with her classmates from Beaver class of 1942 until the disbanded in 2020.

Liz Ann is survived by her son, Charles Broderick Hale, Jr. (Lynn Diane) of Leland, NC; daughter, Mary Lew Thomas (Hunter Jr.) of Bluefield; brother, David Thomas Lowman, Jr. (Jean) of Chester, VA; grandson, Hunter Thomas, III (Jessica); great-grandson, William Hunter Thomas, IV; and several nieces, nephews, and step-granddaughters.

There will be a celebration of life at First Presbyterian Church, Bluefield, WV, on Monday March 7, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. with Mr. Craig Hammond officiating.

The family will receive friends from noon until the service hour.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to either First Presbyterian Church or to the Bluefield Union Mission.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Lowman Hale Boykin.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
208 Tazewell Avenue
Bluefield, WV 24701

Celebration of Life

MAR 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Elizabeth Ann Boykin*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Louise Chambers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth Ann Boykin.*



Louise Chambers - March 05, 2022 at 02:37 PM



“ *Our family will be forever grateful to LizAnn for all the love and care she gave to our dear Uncle Lem and to us. Our shared memories kept our parents and their generation close. I will miss her cheerful countenance. Her endurance and steadfast optimism will always lead us by example. All our love to her family and those who love her, Louise Callahan Chambers*

Louise Callahan Chambers - March 05, 2022 at 02:04 PM



“ *I always told Liz Ann that as long as she was alive, there was a part of my mother and daddy, and Mary and Katherine still existing. Now they are all gone. I will miss seeing that white head bopping around and being so friendly to all. Love, Georgann*

Chip & Georgann Simmons - March 02, 2022 at 07:25 PM