



## Frances Lorraine Kell

June 13, 1927 - May 9, 2024

Frances Lorraine Wolfe Kell, 96, of Bluefield, WV, died Thursday May 9, 2024 at Kissito Healthcare and Rehabilitation in Bastian, VA.

Born June 13, 1927 in Rocky Gap, VA, she was a daughter of the late Wiley Addison Wolfe and Rosa Willis Wolfe. She was a member of Prosperity Methodist Church in Windmill Gap and was a homemaker. She enjoyed reading, working puzzles, and gardening. Most of all, she loved her children and grandchildren, who she lovingly referred to as her “babies.”

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Thurman Jackson Kell in 1997; three sons, Chester Allen Kell, Frankie Kell, and Thurman Kell, Jr.; siblings, Anna Looney, Kathleen Akers, Ethel Kimberlin, Leaner Kimberlin and Carl Wolfe.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Roger Dale Kell of Yadkinville, NC, Benjamin Harrison Kell of Lorain, OH, Ronald James Kell of Bluefield, WV, Michael Dean Kell and wife Florence of New London, OH, Brenda Meadwell of Bluefield, WV, and Robin Scott Kell and wife Sandra of Tyler, TX; grandchildren, Mary Lou, Dawn, Adam, Eric, Jerry, Veronica, Sherrie, Michelle, Rhonda, Patrick, Ben Jr., Thurman “Jack”, Connie “Nannette”, Roger Jr., Rigo, Gary, and Jenny; her great-granddaughter and “her baby”, Kelcey Nestor and her “adopted” great-granddaughter, Makayla Murphy; as well as numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Monday May 13, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday May 14, 2024 at Mercer Funeral Home with Rev. John Repass officiating.

Burial will follow at Woodlawn Memorial Park where Adam Kell, Jerry Kell, Hunter Lockhart, Phillip McClanahan, Jimmy McClanahan, and Todd Wills will serve as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Jax McKinnon and Nicodemus Alexander Kell.

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Memorial Park

3410 Coal Heritage Rd  
Bluefield, WV 24701  
(304) 833-3670

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 13.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory  
1231 West Cumberland Road  
Bluefield, WV 24701  
(304) 327-6155  
merc@mercfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.mercerfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAY 14.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Mercer Funeral Home Chapel  
1231 West Cumberland Road  
Bluefield, WV 24701

# Tribute Wall

SH

“ *Mrs Kell was my neighbor at Wind Mill Gap. I attended Prosperity Methodist Church with her. I'm so sorry for your loss. She was such a sweet lady.*

sharon Hyndrich - May 27, 2024 at 11:52 PM

HC

“ *don't know that anyone would even remember me but Mr. and Mrs. Kell were my neighbors on Windmill Gap. They watched my sisters and I grow up until we moved away in 1987. We loved going to visit them and I would always take Mrs. Kell flowers and just sit and talk to them. They were the most loving people. Mrs. Kell will be missed. She was a fine lady. I will be praying for comfort for you all. Just thought I would share my childhood memory.  
Love and prayers, Hope Bailey Carbaugh*

Hope Bailey Carbaugh - May 14, 2024 at 06:49 PM

DN

“ *Donnie, Lisa and Shane Neal purchased the Full Heart for the family of Frances Lorraine Kell.*



Donnie, Lisa and Shane Neal - May 13, 2024 at 08:27 PM

LG

“ My mother was Nelma Starling, she went to Heaven 28 years ago, from Cancer. I know she was friends with Mrs Kelly. Way back i worked with Brenda Meadwell at Wytheville hospital. So sorry for her passing. May God Hold all her loved close, I know Janice and all her family, and Darrell Kimberlain , God sent him to me and my son to help.us. God Bless Everyone



Linda carver fields, david gammon - May 13, 2024 at 05:29 PM

CH

“ Curt & Penney Henry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frances Lorraine Kell.

Curt & Penney Henry - May 12, 2024 at 07:18 PM

CH

“ Curt & Penney Henry purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Frances Lorraine Kell.



Curt & Penney Henry - May 12, 2024 at 07:18 PM

LF

“ Lynch and Looney family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Frances Lorraine Kell.



Lynch and Looney family - May 12, 2024 at 05:05 PM

AS

“ Allen Shrewsbury lit a candle in memory of Frances Lorraine Kell



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Allen Shrewsbury - May 12, 2024 at 08:23 AM

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Hope Carabugh - May 13, 2024 at 07:58 AM