



Geneva A. Lester

December 8, 1931 - September 8, 2017

Bluefield, WV- Geneva A. Lester, 85, of Bluefield, WV, entered the Kingdom of Heaven on Friday September 8, 2017 at the home of her daughter in Loris, SC.

Born December 8, 1931 in Independence, VA, she was a daughter of the late Edward Carson and Delia Edwards Carson.

Mrs. Lester was a faithful member of Westminster Presbyterian Church where she was active in the Women's Ministries. Mrs. Lester was a very loving mother. She and her husband owned and operated F & L Oil Company in Bluefield, VA. Mrs. Lester was also a member of Gideon's International and the Mercer County CEO. She enjoyed collecting recipes, cooking, and baking. She liked crafting, sewing, and quilting, and she loved her flowers, gardening, and working in her yard. She had a witty personality and loved to laugh. She had a great love for music.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Frank C. Lester, Jr. in 2002; and brothers, Ted Carson of Virginia, Bill Carson of Ohio, and June Carson of Ohio.

Survivors include her loving daughter, Donna Elizabeth "Beth" Branton and husband Sammy, who Mrs. Lester loved dearly like a son instead of a son-in-law, of South Carolina; brother, Bob Carson and wife Jo of South Carolina; sisters-in-law, Juanita Carson and Martha Carson, both of Ohio; many loving nieces, nephews, neighbors, and friends; special friend who was like a daughter to her, Jane Pfau; special friends Osie Pfau and JoAnn Adkins;

caretakers, Barry and Russell Gray-Couch, and Carol, Jim, and Jackie Nelson, and hospice caretakers, Ginger and Ashley.

A funeral service will be conducted on Thursday September 14, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. from the Mercer Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jonathan Rockness and Rev. Mack Hutson officiating.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday from 1:00 p.m. until the service hour.

Burial will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton, WV where Barry Gray-Couch, Russell Gray-Couch, Jim Nelson, Paul Looney, Carl Branton, and Chad Hatcher will serve as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions, if desired, may be made to Westminster Presbyterian Church Music Department, 2005 Washington Street, Bluefield, WV, 24701 or to the Bluefield Union Mission, 2203 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, WV 24701.

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. Geneva A. Lester.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery

Princeton, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 14. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

SEP 14. 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Geneva A. Lester*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Beth. I am so sorry for your loss. I just loved your Mom. She was always so nice to me. She was like a second Mom to me. Your in my prayers. Cindy Clayton Brannon*

Cindy Clayton Brannon - September 15, 2017 at 10:43 PM



“ *Dear Beth,
Your mother (and father!) were such sweet and sincere people.
They were always thoughtful and kind to me. I am so sorry for your loss!
Love, Tammy (Hatcher) Turkett*

Tammy (Hatcher) Turkett - September 14, 2017 at 05:22 PM



“ *Geneva and Frank were wonderful friends to me and my mother, Jo Gruver. Geneva always greeted with a welcoming smile. My deepest sympathy.*

Robert Gruver - September 13, 2017 at 03:22 PM

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“ *Beth,*

So sorry for the loss of your dear mother! Our thoughts and prayers are with both you and Sammy.

Jamey & Nicole Boyd

Nicole Boyd - September 13, 2017 at 02:09 PM

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“ *Sammy Branton sent a virtual gift in memory of Geneva A. Lester*



Sammy Branton - September 13, 2017 at 12:18 PM

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“ *Sammy Branton lit a candle in memory of Geneva A. Lester*



Sammy Branton - September 13, 2017 at 12:15 PM