



## Leah Jean "Jeanne" Morris

May 21, 1937 - February 24, 2018

Bluefield, WV – Leah Jean “Jeanne” Morris age 80, of Bluefield, WV and formerly of Milton, WV died Saturday February 24, 2018 following a long illness. Born May 21, 1937 in Bluefield, she was the daughter of the late Tony Lotito and Rena Peraldo Lotito.

Jean was a graduate of Bluefield High School and Concord College. She earned her master’s degree at Marshall University.

A long time educator, she began her career at Wade Elementary in Bluefield in the mid 1960’s. In the early 1980’s, she taught at Spring Hill Elementary in Huntington Culloden Elementary. Following her retirement from public schools, she became the supervisor for student teachers at Marshall University.

She and her late husband John were prominent in the political and social scenes throughout their 30-plus years in the Huntington area.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Bill Morris in 2010.

Surviving are sons Tony Morris (Patty Compton) of Bluefield, WV and Chris Morris (Tonya) of Roanoke, VA; brother Tony (Dusky Lotito, Jr. (Rosemary) of Pounding Mill, VA,; daughter in law Karen Morris of York, SC; grandchildren Brittany Naumann of Huntington, WV, John Morris of Cincinnati, OH, Bill Morris of Clemson, SC and Sara Morris of York, SC; great grandsons Christian and Carter Naumann of Huntington, WV; in addition to several nieces, nephews and cousins; caregiver Linda Fox, and her beloved dog

Korie.

The family will welcome friends on Friday March 2, 2018 for a Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Huntington at 3:30 p.m. with Fr. Paul Yuenger officiating. There will be a Celebration of Life at First Presbyterian Church, Bluefield, WV, on Sunday March 4, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. with Barb Hopta leading services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to American Cancer Society or the local Humane Society.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com)

Mercer Funeral Home of Bluefield is serving the Morris family.

# Previous Events

## Mass

MAR 2. 3:30 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Fatima  
545 Norway Avenue  
Huntington, WV 25705

## Celebration of Life

MAR 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
208 Tazewell Avenue  
Bluefield, WV 24701

# Tribute Wall



“ *Leah Jean "Jeanne" Morris*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *I attended Bluefield High School with Jeanne. I remember her as a very happy person with a beautiful smile. I liked her very much. Sending you my deepest sympathy at the loss of your loved one.*

*Sincerely, Dorothy Kinser Chudina*

Dorothy Chudina - March 06, 2018 at 09:42 AM



“ *May Jeanne's family and friends be comforted by God's promise to "swallow up death forever...and wipe away the tears from all faces" (Isaiah 25:8). Along with the promise of a time soon when 'no resident will say " I am sick" (Isaiah 33:24)*

Reene - March 06, 2018 at 08:32 AM



“ *I am so grateful to have known Jeanne and to have worked with her at Culloden Elementary. She was always so fun and there was never a dull moment with her. My deepest sympathy to your family. Love, Cindy Forman*

Cindy Forman - March 04, 2018 at 11:21 AM

DL

“ *Becky and I send our deepest sympathy to the family. Your mother will be missed, but now she is in a better place with God and Big John. GOD BLESS!*

**Dave & Becky Leasure** - February 28, 2018 at 08:27 AM

DL

“ *Dave & Becky Leasure lit a candle in memory of Leah Jean "Jeanne" Morris*



**Dave & Becky Leasure** - February 28, 2018 at 08:23 AM

RO

“ *Diane and I are so sad to hear about the passing of Jeanne. I worked with Jeanne a few years in the Cabell County School System. She was a delightful lady, always smiling and very nice to be around. Her and John were such good friends of ours. RIP Jeanne, I will miss you like many others of your friends and family.*

**Ron Oliver** - February 28, 2018 at 06:50 AM

BM

“ *Sweet Jeanne, you will be missed. But you are now with your beloved John and Son and now you can rest in peace with your loved ones. Peace and blessings to your family.*  
*Beverley Mueller*

**beverley mueller** - February 27, 2018 at 12:55 PM

LH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Words fail to express the pain of losing a loved one. We look forward to a time when words fail to express the joy of having our heavenly Father return our loved ones to us.

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**Lori Held** - February 27, 2018 at 11:39 AM

TT

“ Prayers go out to the family. My grandma was great friends with her and she was a wonderful person.

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**tasha thevenin** - February 26, 2018 at 07:47 PM

MP

“ To Jeanne's Family,

*I met Jeanne on New Year's Eve 2010. Our hearts were both full of sorrow, as I'm sure yours are now, and we had an immediate connection.*

*Despite the fact I only saw her and John a handful of times after that first encounter, I truly feel I lost a dear friend. The world will be a little dimmer without her smile and infectious laugh. My heartfelt sympathy to you all.*

*Fondly, Missi Pappas Powell*

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**Missi Powell** - February 26, 2018 at 07:24 PM

TJ

“ Prayers for peace and comfort to all of the family. Jeanne was so protective of her family and loved you all to no end. She will be deeply missed.

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**Ted Jones** - February 26, 2018 at 06:43 PM

CC

“ *Thoughts and Prayers to the family. She was truly a wonderful woman.*

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**Chris Casto** - February 26, 2018 at 06:28 PM

CR

“ *My Deepest Sympathy to all the family. Carol Robertson*



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**Carol Robertson** - February 26, 2018 at 06:12 PM