



## Onita Mae Shumate

November 13, 1929 - November 5, 2016

Bluefield, WV- Onita Mae Irvin Shumate of Bluefield, WV, died Saturday November 5, 2016 at Providence Park Hospital, Novi, MI.

Born November 13, 1929 in Bluefield, WV, she was the daughter of the late William Columbus Irvin and Ona Mae Ratliff Irvin.

Onita was a charter member of Edgemont Baptist Church, the church she loved dearly; a place where she faithfully served the Lord and her church family. Onita retired from JC Penney Co., a place where she was faithful in her role as Personnel Manager. Onita loved her family and friends; she devoted her life to seeking out their love and companionship.

In addition to her parents, Onita was preceded in death by her husband Ralph Warden Shumate and a daughter Linda Joy Shumate.

Survivors include her daughter, Sharon Shumate Borrer and husband David Borrer of Farmington Hills, MI. Onita had been living with Sharon and David in MI where she became involved at Highland Park Baptist Church in Southfield, MI. There she attended various Bible Studies and Worship Services.

Onita had two grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Nicole Borrer Loucks and husband Ryan Loucks and their children: Taylor, Brielle and Kendall; Alec David Borrer and wife Katie and their son Thomas Ralph, named after his great-grandfather.

Onita has three surviving siblings: Patty Irvin Shumate and her husband Kenneth Shumate of Bluefield, Donald Irvin and his wife Mary Irvin of Bluefield, and Tommy Irvin and his wife Velda Irvin of Mt. Airy, NC.

The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 from 1:00-2:00pm. The service will follow at 2:00pm at the Funeral Home with Pastor Hugh Cole of Edgemont Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton where Alec Borrer, grandson, Ryan Loucks, son-in-law, and members of Edgemont Baptist Church will serve as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Edgemont Baptist Church, 2507 Jefferson Drive, Bluefield, WV 24701.

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 & Crematory is serving the family of Mrs. Onita Mae Shumate.

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery

Princeton, WV

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

NOV 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Onita Mae Shumate*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



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**katie borror** - November 11, 2016 at 12:34 PM



“ *Maw Maw loved her great-grandkids. No matter what, she would get right on the floor and play with them or be the ball holder for Tommy just so her could get more for her. He loved her so much and she will be GREATLY missed.*



**katie borror** - November 11, 2016 at 12:29 PM



“ *Linda Latham lit a candle in memory of Onita Mae Shumate*



**Linda Latham** - November 11, 2016 at 11:47 AM

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Linda Latham - November 11, 2016 at 11:43 AM

Susie Ellison

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Susie Ellison - November 10, 2016 at 08:21 PM

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“ *Karen Hoops-Simon lit a candle in memory of Onita Mae Shumate*



Karen Hoops-Simon - November 08, 2016 at 09:56 AM

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Kenneth Gray - November 07, 2016 at 09:28 PM

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*Betty Johnson and Onita Shumate at Church. Onita and Kenneth Gray sang in the choir together for about 47 years, along with her friend Betty Johnson. Onita will be greatly missed in our Edgemont Church.*

**Kenneth Gray** - November 07, 2016 at 09:34 PM

MD

“*Mary Beth Damron lit a candle in memory of Onita Mae Shumate*



**Mary Beth Damron** - November 06, 2016 at 12:49 PM