



Arva Reynolds

October 12, 1922 - January 15, 2019

Arva Dempsey Reynolds, a lifelong resident of Belo, WV, earned her heavenly wings on January 15, 2019, at her home. Born on October 12, 1922, to the late E.E. and Lummie Dempsey, Arva was a beloved member of the Belo community. She was preceded in death by her husband Elder Azie Reynolds and son-in-law Don Marcum. The last surviving sibling, she was predeceased by Lawrence, Charles, Warren, Luther, Henry (Dick), and Ewelly Dempsey, Dorothy (Doke) Blackburn, Joan Stacy Eckhart, Virginia (Bird) Baribeau, Evelyn Baisden, and Cinda Miller.

Survivors to always carry her precious memory include daughter Reva Marcum of Williamson, WV, sons Scotty (Carol) Reynolds of Ocala, FL and Jeffrey (Karen) Reynolds of Williamson, WV, a host of loving nieces and nephews, her extended church family at Little Dove, and her loyal companion for 13 years, her cat Sassy.

Arva was the epitome of how to live a Christian life. A faithful member of Little Dove United Baptist Church for 69 years, which made her its oldest and longest member, she taught Sunday School for 30 years and was the Sunday School secretary/treasurer for 26 years. She was a founding member of the church quilting group who raised funds for many church improvements. In recent years, her number one priority at the church was the chief recruiter for the adult class for Vacation Bible School.

In addition to being an avid quilter and reader, she loved doing puzzles and was known for her beautiful flower and vegetable gardens. Everyone who

came in contact with Arva immediately realized what a special person she was. She was generous and loving and always had a smile and kind word for each person. When looking back on her life, everyone who knew her counted her as a friend who was always helpful and had a shoulder to cry on or a smile to comfort them.

Arva held the title of “Church Mom” and was cherished by all members of her much-loved Little Dove family. Her laughter, smile and, especially, hugs will be greatly missed. The children flocked to her for the weekly hugs. The older members waited patiently for her to come around to greet them: upon entering the church, she made it a point to hug every person. With her passing, Little Dove has lost a part of its heart.

Visitation to pay respects to this beloved member of our community will be held at Chafin Funeral Home, Delbarton, WV, on Friday, January 18th from 6:00-9:00 PM, with family gathering at 5:00 PM. The service, beginning at 7:00PM, will consist only of special singing, which was Arva’s wish. The celebration of her life will be on Saturday, January 19th at 12:00 PM at Little Dove United Baptist Church. The body will lie in state at the church from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM. Pastor Jimmy Maynard is in charge of the service. Interment will be at Mountain View Memory Gardens at Maher, WV.

Online condolences can be made at ChafinFuneralHome.Com

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Memory Gardens

244 E 2nd Ave
Williamson/Maher, WV 25661
(304) 235-2360

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Chafin Funeral Home
215 Riverside Drive
Delbarton, WV 25670
(304) 475-2071
chafinh@frontier.com
<https://www.chafinfuneralhome.com/>

Service

JAN 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

Little Dove United Baptist Church
Belo
WV 25670

Tribute Wall



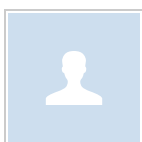
“ *Arva Reynolds*

November 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM



“ *You share a special place in our heart and my grandkids heart. We love you so much. Gary will definitely miss his hugs and your funny remarks. I always remember you telling me to enjoy my grandkids and worry about the house work later. You said some day they will grow up on you. I always wanted to be sassy and spunky like you and live a long productive life. You said “you will continue trusting in the Lord”. Go rest high Sweet Lady. Will truly be missed.*

Gary-Sandy Marcum - January 18, 2019 at 01:09 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Arva Reynolds .*



January 18, 2019 at 01:01 PM



“ *My father, Clifford Davis, introduced all of us to this woman as she held a special place in his heart as she was the First insurance policy he wrote insurance for. She attended all his b-day parties we held for him always dressed to a tee and a smile to brighten any room! My thoughts & prayers for you all as she will be missed!*

Sheila Trippett - January 18, 2019 at 04:10 AM

KR

Thank you for your kind words. She always talked highly of your father.

karen Reynolds - January 18, 2019 at 12:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arva Reynolds .*



January 18, 2019 at 01:59 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Arva Reynolds .*



January 17, 2019 at 11:02 PM

VS

“ *May our Lord bring comfort to Jeff, Reva Scotty my your draw strength from your precious memorable times I can say she was so very precious to my family. Her strong will and inner strength would lift you up in the most despairing times. I can say she surely was the Glue that held many together always giving of her thoughts and time May God Bless and keep you Many prayers'*



Vicky Sammons - January 17, 2019 at 08:43 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arva Reynolds .*



January 17, 2019 at 06:11 PM



“ *Mary and Janie purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Arva Reynolds .*



Mary and Janie - January 17, 2019 at 09:06 AM



“ *Henry And Elrita Parsley lit a candle in memory of Arva Reynolds*



Henry and Elrita Parsley - January 16, 2019 at 08:08 PM



“ *Love and prayers for the family ❤️ Jackie and Marcia Hundley 🙏*



Marcia Hindley - January 16, 2019 at 05:55 PM

JB

“ *I Loved that woman she was a sweet Lady and a Mom to every one she came into contact with*



John Brewer - January 16, 2019 at 04:00 PM

AP

“ *Allen And Sandy Parsley lit a candle in memory of Arva Reynolds*



Allen and Sandy Parsley - January 16, 2019 at 03:56 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arva Reynolds .*



January 16, 2019 at 02:36 PM

NW

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the family of this beloved lady. I only knew her briefly but loved her dearly. She always had a smile for everyone. She will be missed by everyone she touched.*

Nora Welch

Nora Welch - January 16, 2019 at 02:30 PM

DE

“ *The Belo community has lost a special lady! We were neighbors at one time and I don't think I ever saw her without a smile. She will be lovingly remembered and missed by many.*

Donna Spence Edwards - January 16, 2019 at 12:59 PM

TD

“ *Prayer for this special family.*



Tony & Kimberly Davis-Smith - January 16, 2019 at 12:41 PM

AM

“ *You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We loved Arva dearly, she was a special lady. Chris, Amanda, and Karissa Davis*



Amanda - January 16, 2019 at 12:36 PM



“ I’ve known this Sweet Lady All My Life
My childhood neighbor” and Friend “
Heaven will surly be a better place
With her Arva there”
She will be sadly missed”
But Children we must cling to the
Promise” that One Day we will meet
Her Again “ Always In My Heart”
Prayers of Comfort to All now and the
Days to come “ 🙏🙏🙏

Anna Hatfield - January 16, 2019 at 12:11 PM

GR

So sorry for the families loss. But our loss is heavens gain and heaven has surely gained anither angel. Gary and Brenda Runyon

Gary and Brenda Runyon - January 16, 2019 at 12:52 PM

TM

I will miss this sweet precious lady so very much. Her smile was contagious and her hugs were awesome. Heaven is sweeter with her there. I love you and I'll never forget you my special friend.

tammy hatfield mccoey - January 16, 2019 at 01:56 PM

MW

Thoughts and prayers to Jeff and family!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We love you all! So so sorry for your loss!!

Mary, Heather, Holly and Valarie White - January 16, 2019 at 06:11 PM