



Debra Ann Ooten Sturgill

January 20, 2021

Debra Ann Ooten Sturgill, 67, of Turkey Creek, KY entered into eternal rest and peace with her family gathered around her while a patient at the Highland ARH Hospital of Prestonsburg, KY. Debbie suffered from a lingering illness and endured great sorrows as she battled to live. The great love she had for her children and grandchildren made her journey worth everything. She was a member of the Duncan Fork United Baptist Church. Debbie was retired from the Mingo County BOE after working more than 34 years as a teacher aid in the Myrtle-Lenore area. She spent many years working with the Lenore Midget league ball teams and cheerleaders. She impacted the youth in her area in a great way. Debbie loved to play cards and board games with her family. She spent many summers at Dewey Lake where canoeing was one of her favorite things to do. She was the beloved "Nana" of our family.

Debbie was preceded in death by her parents Dow and Joyce Ooten and her sister and brother in law, Lilly and Gary Jude, Vesta and Virgil Sammons and precious nephew, Micah Sammons.

Those left to cherish her memory include her son, John Sturgill and his wife, Shannon of Burnwell, KY, Joyce Ann Sturgill of Turkey Creek, KY, granddaughters, Bella and Stella Sturgill and grandson, Aaron Blake Jude, her caregiver and companion, John Sturgill to whom she was married to for many years. She is also survived by her brother Dow Micah Ooten and special friend, Michael Mitchell whom she loved like a brother, Debbie has one niece, Angel (Shane) Ward, four nephews, Wilburn and Eva Jude, Gary Jude, Tony (Wanda) Sammons and Virgil Sammons Jr.

Funeral services will be held at the Duncan Fork United Baptist Church on Sunday, January 24, 2021 at 1:00pm with Elder Eddie Layne and Rev. Shane Ward officiating. Burial will follow in Estep Cemetery at Myrtle, WV. Visitation will be at the church Sunday Morning from 11:00am until the start of the funeral at 1:00pm. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Chafin Funeral Home to help offset the cost of the funeral. Online condolences can be made at ChafinFuneralHome.Com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 24. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Duncan Fork United Baptist Church
Upper Sheppardtown, WV

Service

JAN 24. 1:00 PM (ET)

Duncan Fork United Baptist Church
Upper Sheppardtown, WV

Burial

JAN 24 (ET)

Estep Cemetery
Duncan Fork, WV

Tribute Wall



“ *Debra Ann Ooten Sturgill*

November 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM

DS

“ *Sincerest condolences from Bertha Jude and family.*

Debbie Bartram Stanley - January 27, 2021 at 06:30 PM

GP

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. She was a wonderful, sweet lady!!
Love and prayers for all!!* ❤️🙏

Grant and Karen Preece

Grant and Karen Preece - January 22, 2021 at 02:10 PM

KC

“ *So sorry to read of Debbie's passing. She was always so nice and sweet to me.
You don't forget kind people like Debbie. May God give her family His comfort
and peace.*

Kelli L. Coleman

Kelli L. Coleman - January 22, 2021 at 12:27 PM

VI

“ *My deepest heartfelt condolences*

*So many great memories we shared...Many a holiday,
birthday, and just get togethers*

*Debbie was such a great friend and person I can not imagine
anyone not having a great event or memory with her.*

*To her children I pray you dwell upon all the great memories of your precious
Mother*

*And May God's comforting Grace and Mercy carry you both thru this most difficult
time*

May the Lord guide and bless each of you...

I will miss my OB buddy for sure



Vicky - January 22, 2021 at 07:00 AM

LW

“ *Lisa White lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Ooten Sturgill*



Lisa white - January 22, 2021 at 12:58 AM

SL

“ *The memory of you will always be a smile on soooo many faces....rest easy my friend* ☐

Sheri Lackey - January 21, 2021 at 10:52 PM