



Rita Fay Farley

March 30, 1926 - June 7, 2022

Mrs. Rita Fay Farley, 96, of Dandridge, TN formerly of Elk Creek, WV, passed away June 7, 2022 at the Ballad Hospice House in Bristol, TN. She was born March 30, 1926 in Lunah, Breathitt County, KY to the late Alex and Elizabeth Davis Ritchie. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, John Farley, son-in-law, William (Mike) Adkins, brothers, Alvin and George Ritchie, and sisters, June Whitt and Thelma Maynard.

Mrs. Farley attended Berea College and graduated from Marshall University majoring in Education. She was a third grade school teacher for 38 years. Those left behind to cherish her memory include her children, John (Debra) Farley of Grove City, OH, Elizabeth "Libby" Adkins of Delbarton, WV and Bruce (JoAnn) Farley of Dandridge, TN, 6 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sisters, Cleo Bradford and Willa Nell Booten and Sister-in-law Nancy Ritchie. She also leaves behind many nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held for family members at the Farley Cemetery at Elk Creek, WV on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 1:00pm.

Chafin Funeral Home of Delbarton, WV is proudly serving the Farley Family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Rita Fay Farley*

November 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM



“ *Gosh.... I will never forget our years together at Delbarton Grade School and even before that when i would visit her home with my mom and dad. (My dad worked many years with John at Island creek Coal) Fay was always giving us fresh vegetables from their garden! She was a precious soul and i will always remember the kind lady she was! Thoughts and prayers in the coming days to johnny, Libby, Bruce , Heather and the entire family!💔💔💔*

Deborah Young - June 21, 2022 at 12:07 PM



“ *Faye has always been a sweet and loving person. She touched so many lives in her years of teaching. She even continued to help chaperone school trips, after retiring.*

Faye always watched out for us boys as we were growing up, riding our bicycles up and down Elk Creek—with Bruce, Richard and whoever else tagged along.

Years later, she always made a point of stopping in to see my Dad, with whoever was there, visiting with her.

Faye was a very special person and will truly be missed.

Jim David Farley

Jim & Rhonda - June 10, 2022 at 10:06 AM

BS

“ I am so sorry to hear of her passing. I always loved Fay and her entire family. She was like a ray of sunshine and always so positive. She taught with my mother at Delbarton Grade School. I typed a theme paper for a class she was taking one year. Every time I visited my sister at Elk Creek I looked for Fay and would stop to chat if she was outside. She was a wonderful human being.

Bobbie Swank - June 09, 2022 at 10:03 AM

PT

“ As a child, growing up in Delbarton and attending CMBC, I have fond memories of Faye. She was always so sweet and nice to everyone especially us children.

Pat (Varney) Tingler - June 09, 2022 at 01:58 AM

GC

“ Found Mrs. Farley at the Chandler House and shared so many memories with her of elk Creek and growing up with her as my teacher. She would always tell my husband to tell John she was waiting for him. She and Gary's mother were friends at the memory care center. She said she hadn't seen her in a few days. We will have to tell her of her Passing. Prayers for the family.

Gary and Josephine Canada - June 08, 2022 at 11:06 PM

PV

“ So blessed to have her as my teacher. She was always my favorite, in school and out. Many sweet memories. Sending prayers for Bruce, Libby, John and the rest of the family.

Penny Varney-Robinson - June 08, 2022 at 10:15 PM

EF

“ Evelyn Ferrell lit a candle in memory of Rita Fay Farley



Evelyn Ferrell - June 08, 2022 at 09:48 PM

EF

So sorry to read about Fay's passing.....she was a person who cared.Prayers for John, Libby, and Bruce and their families. May God give you comfort and peace. God's Blessings to all.

Evelyn Ferrell - June 08, 2022 at 09:51 PM

MB

“ Malena “Coleman” Browning lit a candle in memory of Rita Fay Farley



Malena “Coleman” Browning - June 08, 2022 at 08:46 PM

BM

“ Barbara Hunt Marshall lit a candle in memory of Rita Fay Farley



Barbara Hunt Marshall - June 08, 2022 at 08:46 PM

RC

“ *She was like a second mom to me growing up. After I had a stroke she would have who ever was driving her to stop here at the house and check on me. She will be missed. Prayers for the family*

Richard Curry - June 08, 2022 at 08:43 PM

RC

“ *Richard Curry lit a candle in memory of Rita Fay Farley*



Richard Curry - June 08, 2022 at 08:40 PM

BP

“ *She will be sadly missed, my 3rd grade teacher and she was a complete inspiration to myself.*

Brenda Perry - June 08, 2022 at 07:46 PM

PE

“ *My third grade teacher and definitely one of my favorites. Always so good to me in class and all the way through school. A beautiful special lady..our thoughts and prayers to the family*

Patty Lottridge Edwards - June 08, 2022 at 03:15 PM

ST

“ *She was my 3rd grade teacher and one of my favorites!! My thoughts and prayers are with her family and many friends!*

Sheila (Davis) Trippett - June 08, 2022 at 02:39 PM

DA

Mrs. Farley taught me in the 3rd grade. She was one of the best. You have teachers who left an impression on you, and she was one of those.

My prayers are for her family.

Debbie (Davis) Adams - June 08, 2022 at 02:59 PM

PR

So very sorry to see this news. She was my 3rd grade teacher and was my favorite. Sending prayers for Libby, Bruce, John and the rest of the family.

Penny Varney Robinson - June 08, 2022 at 06:29 PM