



## Emily Louise Tighe

August 13, 1924 - January 23, 2022

Emily Louise Tighe, 97, of Charleston, WV passed away peacefully on January 23, 2022, amongst loving family. She was born August 13, 1924, in Grafton, WV.

She was a member of the Morris Memorial United Methodist Church, Charleston, WV as well as a 74-year member of the Naomi Chapter #12 Order of the Eastern Star, Grafton, WV and the Supreme Shrine, Bethlehem Shrine #2 Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, Fayetteville, NY. She was a product of Small Town USA, where she grew up during the Great Depression, was raised on family values, patriotism, a love of people and a zest for life; and passed those values on to her daughter, and all those who knew her. She was one of the "Greatest Generation" that Tom Brokaw wrote about. She was born of a generation that was known to be personally responsible to have integrity. She experienced humility in a time which had been an expected norm of dignity and modesty. She developed a work ethic based on survival of the times and became a prudent saver by default due to the stock market crash of the Great Depression. She grew up having a faithful commitment to God, country, community and family.

Emily worked the first part of her life during WW II as an Inspector/Packer for Hazel Atlas Glass in Grafton, WV and as a Finisher at Engineering Research Corporation building gun turrets for war planes in Riverdale, MD. After WW II

she worked as a Welder for Electro-Therm Inc in Silver Springs, MD, as a File Clerk for A.S. Aloe in Washington, DC, and finally as a Cafeteria Cook for Fred Lynn Jr High School in Woodbridge, VA.

Emily was known by many nicknames: Louise, Emily, Tots, Totsy, Momma Tighe and Wheezy. She was an avid game and card player and enjoyed many years of playing and teaching others Mah Jongg. She enjoyed throwing parties, the arts, crafts, sewing, quilting, genealogy and travel. She was known for her unbridled quick wit and great sense of humor. She adopted many generations of her daughter's friends as if they were her own and spoiled them with fun times, good food and great memories. She will be forever remembered as a loving mother, caring and endearing friend, a lover of all people and a joy to everyone she met.

She was preceded in death by her mother Lena Glenn Collins, father William Adrin Collins, husband Ralph Lee Tighe, brother Robert Glenn Collins, sister and brother-in-law Martha Collins (Harry) Rundle, sister-in-law Phyllis Collins, niece Penelope K. Cutler and great nephew Charles E. Hall.

She is survived by daughter and son-in-law Marjorie (David) McCutcheon of Charleston, WV, brother Charles W. Collins of Menifee, CA, niece Pamela (Lloyd) Huntley of Menifee, CA, nephew-in-law Bill Cutler of Martinsburg, WV, great nieces and nephews: Jane (Kevin) Gladhill, Racheal Cutler and fiancé Chris Bynaker, Andrew (Chie) Pharis, Laura Pharis and fiancé Jamie Rubel, Bradley Pharis, CJ Huntley and Shannon Gannon, Douglas Huntley, Karyl Huntley and 2 great great nieces Mallori Rubel and Ema Pharis and 5 great great nephews Keaton, Grant and Everett Gladhill, Rikr Huntley and Kaito Pharis.

She is survived by countless loving friends, grand dogs Bandit and Gandy, grand cats Callie and Smudge and grand mule Festus.

The family would like to say a special thanks to her caring physicians, the Amedysis Home Health staff and her wonderful Hospice Care team that have helped her through the last 5 years of life. In lieu of flowers the family would like to request donations to Hospice Care WV, 1606 Kanawha Blvd West, Charleston, WV 25387 or your charity of choice.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 am Friday at Bartlett Nichols Funeral Home, 409 6th Avenue, St. Albans, WV 25177. Dear friend Pastor Steve White will deliver the service at the funeral and graveside. Graveside service will follow at Bluemont Cemetery in Grafton, WV.

Friends may visit with the family from 6-8:00 pm Thursday at the funeral home.

You can visit Emily's tribute page at [bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com](http://bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com) to share condolences or memories with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Tighe family.

# Cemetery Details

## Bluemont Cemetery

151 E. Bluemont Street  
Grafton, WV 26354

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home  
409 Sixth Avenue  
Saint Albans, WV 25177  
(304) 727-4325

## Funeral Service

JAN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.*



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January 28, 2022 at 09:10 AM



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January 27, 2022 at 07:13 PM



“ *Patty and Rob Schombert purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.*



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**Patty and Rob Schombert** - January 27, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *The Verbeck Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.*



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**The Verbeck Family** - January 27, 2022 at 09:43 AM

RB

“ Randy, Janice & James Ball purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.



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**Randy, Janice & James Ball** - January 26, 2022 at 05:58 PM

CC

“ We are thinking of you all at this time Marge and Dave. We wish we could be there, but are so blessed to have spent time with Momma at the OBX. She was always a joy to be around and we will miss her so much but will always have the great memories of our time together. We love you all! Prayers! Cris Crowe, Annie and Nikolas

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**Cris Crowe** - January 26, 2022 at 02:15 PM

JM

“ Dear Marge and Dave, although I never met you mom, through your Facebook posts, I feel as though I knew her. I know you had wonderful times together and I'm confident that she was a great woman who will be deeply missed. Praying for you all as you say goodbye and into the future.

*Jim Makowski*

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**Jim Makowski** - January 26, 2022 at 08:23 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.



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January 25, 2022 at 11:57 PM



“ Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.



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January 25, 2022 at 11:20 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Emily Louise Tighe.



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January 25, 2022 at 10:30 PM



“ I met Mrs. Tighe only through mail and phone. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star in Grafton WV for 70+ years. We corresponded regarding this Chapter for the past several years and shared stories about Grafton and the surrounding area. She was such a pleasant lady who enjoyed life and people. I enjoyed getting to know her as my OES Sister. We at Naomi Chapter No.12 will honor her service as a member and perform a memorial service to celebrate her life and her obtaining her heavenly wings. Thoughts and Prayers to her Family. Carolyn L. Bolyard



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**Carolyn L. Bolyard** - January 25, 2022 at 06:55 PM