



Gloria Jean Williams

February 28, 1938 - March 25, 2024

Gloria Jean Williams, 86, of St. Albans, WV passed from earthly to eternal life suddenly in the early hours of Monday, March 25, 2024 at Thomas Memorial Hospital, South Charleston.

She was born in South Charleston to the late Eneywine and Zulema McAllister Johnson. She was also preceded in death by her loving husband, James D. “Jim” Williams; daughter, Mary Beth Williams; grandson, David Williams; sister, Armona Egnor and brother, Meredith Johnson. Also preceding her in death was her beloved dog Gracie.

Gloria was a lifelong St Albans resident, growing up on College Hill and walking to and from the old Central School location downtown and playing with her beloved sisters and brother. She was a 1956 SAHS graduate who as a senior relayed in her yearbook her “likes” as being – “Sports, dancing, and to have fun”. Those that knew her later in life as a tennis player, music and dancing enthusiast, and her sense of humor / fun loving spirit can relate. Prior to her marriage to Jim, Gloria served as general manager for WKLC Radio Station in St. Albans.

Her loving relationship with Jim was the greatest joy of her life and their time together with friends and family meant everything to her. She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great grandmother who delighted in spending time

with family and hearing what everyone was doing in their lives. “Funny, supportive, kind, strong, sense of style” were all frequently used to describe Gloria by her friends and family. She loved animals, especially her beloved Gracie, and spent many hours on her deck observing and relishing Gods’ gift of life in nature... the trees, flowers, birds, sky and their constant changes.

Also in her senior yearbook she noted as her ambition to “live a happy life”. She did just that.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, St. Albans and a supporter of the Salvation Army and Camp Appalachia.

Surviving are her loving son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Diana Williams; loving sister, confidant and faithful supporter Linda Grubb (Gary); loving grandchildren, Amanda Forinash (Harvey), Andrew Williams, Allie Williams; and great grandchildren, Joshua Forinash and Nathanel, Alexander and Peyton Williams.

Also surviving are multiple loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Of note, as needs grew in the past few years, surviving niece Divana Wildman and caregivers Telesia Mann and Jennifer Burgess provided liberating love and support enriching Gloria’s life.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 30, 2024 at the First Presbyterian Church, St. Albans with Rev. Mark Boyd officiating. Entombment will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans.

The family will receive friends from 10 to 11:00 a.m. prior to the funeral service at the church.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to the First Presbyterian

Church, In Memory of Gloria J. Williams, 201 Kanawha Terrace, St. Albans, WV 25177.

You may visit Gloria's tribute page at BartlettNichols.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

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

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
201 Kanawha Terrace
St. Albans, WV 25177

Funeral Service

MAR 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Condolences to the Williams family*



Carson Loveless - April 02, 2024 at 08:52 AM



“ *What a lovely lady and a family friend of us Whitehills. We were neighbors on Lincoln Ave. Beautiful smile and a laugh that was delightful. Many happy memories of Gloria! Condolences to Gloria's family.*

VICKY WHITEHILL - March 29, 2024 at 08:37 PM



My prayers for Gloria's family. We had fun in school and remember so many Gloria was not forgotten especially in our hometown.

Nancy Perkins Dunn - March 31, 2024 at 05:42 PM



Just Perky still around not back to St.Albans since 50th.

Nancy Perkins Dunn - March 31, 2024 at 05:43 PM