



Rhoda Jane Hensley

March 18, 1941 - May 24, 2022

Rhoda Jane Hensley, 81, of St. Albans passed away on Monday, May 24, 2022 at CAMC Memorial Division, Charleston.

She was born in Putnam County to the late John and Winnie Lovejoy Lunsford. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester E. Hensley. She was also preceded in death by nieces, Carol Chandler and Flora Gay Griffith; great-grandson, Owen Dye; sisters, Elizabeth Lunsford, Virginia Adkins, Opal Hartwell, Edith Adkins, Shirley Kees, Linda Scarberry and Lucy Shomper; brothers, Amos, Andy, Bobby, James and Donald Lunsford.

In her early years, she worked at Smiley's, Najar's and RCA. She later managed rental property, she co-owned with her husband. Rhoda supported Chester in his role as sexton for Teays Hill Cemetery for over thirty years. She assisted with administrative tasks, including maintaining burial records, locating graves, available lots, speaking with family members, and working with board members. Her most important role was as wife, mother and grandmother.

Surviving are her loving daughter, Sandy Cunningham (Charles); son, Shannon Hensley of St. Albans; three surrogate daughters: Della Estep, Michelle Scarberry and Patricia Hensley; sister, Clarinda "Bea" Adkins; nieces who were raised as sisters, Bonnie Domina and Ellen Scarberry; best friend,

Pearl Harmon; grandchildren: Cody, Casey, Cory (Chelsea Russell); Jamie and Samantha and mother, Jennifer McMahan; Justin and Kayla; great grandchildren: Braylyn, Abel and mother Ashley Meddings; Travis; Candace, Bradyn, Brooklyn, Kinsley, Jason and Camyron.

Dad passed away just shy of their 55th wedding anniversary in 2020. After dad passed, mom felt the most peace and comfort when she was able to stay at their cabin in Braxton County. We would like to thank nieces, Lucy Hazlewood and husband Harold Hazlewood, Omazell and Rob Keeler and nephew, John Adkins (Kim), as well as Michelle and Bonnie for giving mom and sister Bea, the opportunity to spend as much time as possible at their beloved camp over the past two years. There are so many nieces, nephews, family and friends who have provided us with support, and we thank you from the bottom of our heart.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, St. Albans with Pastor Stephen Neese officiating. Burial will be in Teays Hill Cemetery, St. Albans.

Friends may call one hour prior to the funeral service.

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

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

Cemetery Details

Teays Hill Cemetery

Coal River Road
St. Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JUN 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 263 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home - June 01, 2022 at 12:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Rhoda Jane Hensley.



June 01, 2022 at 10:57 AM



“ *Sending prayers and love to Sandy, Shannon and family hope you can find peace in knowing she's in a much better place now... Love you Michelle*

Michelle Scarberry - May 31, 2022 at 01:19 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Rhoda Jane Hensley.*



May 28, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ *Aunt Rhoda was like another mother to me. Her and Uncle Chester did so much for me and my family and will never be forgotten. She went over and above for my brother Delbert and is so much appreciated. She was one who could get the truth out of anyone. I spent many summers with them in Ohio and felt the wrath of telling lies. She helped mold me in the person I am today.*

Eleanor (niece) - May 28, 2022 at 09:59 AM



“ *Sandy, I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. Knowing that she is now with Chester again brings great comfort. She and your dad were such loyal friends to Teays Hill Cemetery, and we appreciate their many years of loving service. God bless you and your family during this difficult time. Sending love and prayers as you face the days ahead.*

Deb Austin Brown

Deb Austin Brown - May 27, 2022 at 10:31 AM