



Mildred Crawford Humphries

February 28, 1923 - March 14, 2019

MILDRED VIRGINIA CRAWFORD SOUTHWORTH HUMPHRIES February 28, 1923 – March 14, 2019, age 96.

Born in Oriskany, Virginia, to George and Leona Crawford, she died just before dawn, peacefully, with her children by her side. Mildred is predeceased by her parents and eight siblings, husband Vince, and son Chip.

Mildred is survived by sister Thelma Holdren, daughter, Trena Boudreaux and grandsons J, Demas, and Ethan; son Spencer Southworth and wife Amy, grandsons Benjamin and Andrew; daughter Karen Payne and granddaughters Kelly, Megan, and Christi; special daughters Gwen Bostic, Lori Gardner and Rhea Mader Piziali; and great-granddaughter Bethany Hickman.

Known as Mildred, Millie, South, Mildew, Mom, and Grandma to many, she was an avid sports fan, famous for having a technical called on her at her son's basketball game for harassing the referee. She was talented at creating quilts, crocheting afghans, and cooking Sunday dinner for her family. Her house was always open to all, which earned her many adopted children through the years. All who knew her will remember her love of the beauty of flowers.

She overcame adversity to raise three children on her own, working multiple

jobs to provide for her family, most lately retiring from a long career at Craig-Botetourt Electric Co-Op.

At the 1993 homecoming service for King Memorial Church, Oriskany– the church her father helped build and in which she and her siblings were raised, Mildred reconnected with her elementary school sweetheart, Vincent Humphries, whom she would marry less than a year later. They enjoyed 18 years of happiness, adding numerous family members to hers from Vince's in Michigan.

She also leaves behind a beloved church family at New Castle United Methodist Church, and was a lifetime member of the UMW. Visitation Saturday, March 16th, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Paitzel Funeral Home, New Castle. Funeral service Sunday, March 17th, 3:30 p.m. at New Castle United Methodist Church. Flowers are gladly accepted, and Mildred requested donations to New Castle UMC in her memory. "Her children arise up, and call her blessed." Proverbs 31:28

Cemetery Details

Crawford Cemetery @ Crossroad's Church

Craigs Creek Road
New Castle, VA 24127

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 16. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Paitsel Funeral Home
286 Main Street
PO Box 326
New Castle, VA 24127
(540) 864-5142
paitselfuneral@aol.com
<https://www.paitselfh.com>

Funeral Service

MAR 17. 3:30 PM (ET)

New Castle United Methodist Church
364 Main Street
New Castle, VA 24127

Interment

MAR 17 (ET)

Crawford Cemetery @ Crossroad's Church
Craigs Creek Road
New Castle, VA 24127

Tribute Wall

SL

“ My heart aches for Mildred’s family and close friends. Mildred was a big part of my childhood and teenage years. I remember riding my bike and going to her house. She would always fix something to eat and I usually got in trouble because I was too full to eat supper at home. I remember looking at photo albums at her house and her telling stories of the past. As I got into high school, Mildred was the biggest Rocket fan! She was at every home game and I remember Her cheering the loudest at all our ballgames. She was a breath of fresh air. She will be greatly missed. I truly adored her... Love, Stephanie Looney



Stephanie Looney - March 16, 2019 at 10:36 PM

JG

“ Thank you Aunt Mildred for all the wonderful memories, especially at the family reunions!! You always treated us like family! Love, Jenny Lynn, Mike and David.

Jennifer Savory Grather - March 16, 2019 at 08:12 PM

BB

“ *To Mildred's family members:
What a beautiful picture of this fine lady whom I
had the privilege to get to know. She
and other family members would bring her
sister to dialyses in Roanoke where I worked.
She was so amazing and kind as well as the
other family members I got to know and came to love all of them.
One could easily tell how well they all had been brought up as
children by the love and kindness they showed not only for each
other but for so many as well. I'm sure this special lady is going to
be truly missed by all. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you
today and in the days to come. God doesn't make many special
ladies like Mildred. I too loved this lady and have often thought
about her and her family members.
I only wish that I would have gone to visit her one more time. God
was so good to
her in allowing her so many good years here on earth.*



*Yours in Christ,
Bonnie S. Britt
Eagle Rock, VA*

Bonnie Britt - March 16, 2019 at 08:55 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for
the family of Mildred Crawford Humphries.*



March 15, 2019 at 08:34 PM

KW

“ Karen Wiseman lit a candle in memory of Mildred Crawford Humphries



Karen Wiseman - March 15, 2019 at 02:19 PM

KW

Trena, Spencer and Family: Thinking of you as you journey through this time of sadness and grief. May your many memories bring you peace and comfort in the days to come. Love to you all!

Karen Wiseman - March 15, 2019 at 02:20 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mildred Crawford Humphries.



March 15, 2019 at 11:39 AM

RT

“ Rhea&Dave, Shawn&Angie, Tracy&Nick, Kristine&David purchased the Laver Reflections Spray for the family of Mildred Crawford Humphries.



Rhea&Dave, Shawn&Angie, Tracy&Nick, Kristine&David -
March 15, 2019 at 08:58 AM

SC

“ Susie B. Craft lit a candle in memory of Mildred Crawford Humphries



Susie B. Craft - March 15, 2019 at 03:29 AM

JD

“ Dear Trena and Spencer,
Your mom has been such an important part of my life for as long as I can remember.
Both of you including Chip and your mom have always been like family to me. So many wonderful memory, So much fun and so many laughs. Your mom touched so many lives. She was so well liked. She and I were so fond of each other and I will always cherish our friendship.
With all my love to each of you and your families.
Janice Damewood

JANICE DAMEWOOD - March 14, 2019 at 10:21 PM

BB

“ Bonnie Boardwine lit a candle in memory of Mildred Crawford Humphries



Bonnie Boardwine - March 14, 2019 at 09:36 PM

JD

“ *Janice Damewood lit a candle in memory of Mildred Crawford Humphries*



Janice Damewood - March 14, 2019 at 08:23 PM

KP

“ *Karla Paige lit a candle in memory of Mildred Crawford Humphries*



Karla Paige - March 14, 2019 at 06:25 PM

KP

Trena, Spencer, Thelma, Kelly and your respective families , Mildred "South" was a wonderful and very special friend to me, I will miss her. You all have been and are in my prayers. Think of all the wonderful memories from her life you have to cherish and share with each other. As always if there is anything I can do , don't hesitate to ask.

*Love to you all
Karla*

Karla Paige - March 14, 2019 at 06:42 PM

DH

Dear Trena,

My Aunt Gwen told me about your Mom's passing. She was such a wonderful lady. I will treasure my times with her. Praying that God comforts you and gives you strength through this painful time.

*God Bless,
Debbie & Skip Heinrich*

Deb Heinrich - March 22, 2019 at 10:33 AM