



Vivian Switzer

April 27, 2013

Vivian Jones Switzer, 86, of Salem, Virginia (formerly of New Castle, Virginia) transcended from this earth on April 27, 2013. She was the widow of Robert R. Switzer, and was predeceased by her father, James G. Jones, mother, Kathleen Patisel Jones, sister, Mildred Jones Switzer, and brother, Edward Jones. Sisters and brothers-in-laws Leslie and Virginia Switzer, Leonard Switzer, Cecil F. and Louise M. Switzer and Ralph Clinton Switzer.

Those remaining to cherish her memory are daughter and son-in-law Wanda S. Hutchison, and Richard, of Salem, Virginia, daughter, Karen S. Wilson of Buchanan, Virginia, and Billy Ray Wilson, Jr. of New Castle, Virginia.

The legacy and joy of her life were her grandchildren, Kimberly and Jason Frank, Natalie Wilson, Robert Paul Wilson, Kaili and Mathew Crumpacker, and Ryan and Katie Hutchison, and her great-grandchildren, Ellen, Erik, and Ethan Frank, Caleb Hutton, and Hannah Wilson.

Extended family members includes, sister, Gaynelle Jones Persinger, brothers, J. T. Jones, and Fredrick Jones – sisters-In-Law, Nolan Jones, and Wanda Jones, and her Jones and Switzer nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends that had a special bond with her.

Vivian was a native of Craig County and a resident of Salem, Virginia. She retired from Craig Manufacturing in 1996, was a member of the Hebron United Methodist Church where she was a Sunday School Teacher, a weekly Host for the clergy staff, youth leader, council member, United Methodist Women, and an advocate supporter of children, youth, and young adults. She helped lead the establishment and implementation for two generations of choirs, youth programs, women's programs, and Christian education during her life. Vivian was a dedicated, loyal, and loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, employee, and friend.

Robert and Vivian's Walnut Tree Farm was always open to family, friends, neighbors, and guests. She served early brunch over the years each Sunday morning to the many Ministers of Hebron United Methodist Church, hosted youth gathering, and many events filled with music and laughter. Their home was the center of gatherings for family, friends, neighbors, and church events where music, laughter and love were in abundance.

Vivian will lie in repose at Patisel Funeral Home in New Castle, Virginia. A celebration of life service will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Salem, Virginia, on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 11:00 AM followed by a reception in the church fellowship hall. The celebration will then continue 2:00 PM at Hebron United Methodist Church in New Castle interment will follow at Hebron United Methodist Church Cemetery. A private family viewing will be held at Patisel Funeral Home.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Clifford Nottingham, Dr. Jeffery Todd, Dr. Karen Barnhart, and the nurses, PT, staff, and, management of the Joseph Thomas Center and Richfield Nursing Center (2 East) for the loving care and support provided to Vivian (Ms. Vivi).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests for memorials to be made to the First United Methodist Church, 125 West Main Street, Salem, Virginia 24153 and/or Hebron United Methodist Church Route 2 Box 1507, New Castle, Virginia 24127.

Tribute Wall

ST

“ Dear Wanda, Karen & families,

We were sorry to hear of Vivian's passing. I have fond memories of my childhood with your family on vacations & gatherings. May you find peace during this difficult time as God soothes your pain. We are so sorry that we are unable to be with you today, because of a prior appointment, but you all are surely in our thoughts, prayers & in our hearts. Please e-mail us, call us or stop by sometime. We're still at the same place in New Castle with the same phone number.
With lots of love,
Steve & Paula

Steve - May 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Wanda and Karen,I am so sorry to hear about your Mom,hang onto all the memories and she will live on in your hearts.Take care of each other.God Bless.

Peggy Hypes Linkous - May 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ So, sorry to hear about your loss. Vivian was such a wonderful Christian lady. I thought so much of her. You are in my thoughts and prayers. And may God enfold you in His loving arms of warm embrace.

Carolyn Drewry - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Thoughts and prayers are with all of you - know how hard it is to lose a mother - especially such a sweet one. Wish that I could be there to give all of you hugs - please know I will be with you in spirit.
Love, Margy Murray

A friendApr - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ So, sorry for your loss. Vivian was such a sweet lady. I thought so much of her. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May God enfold you with His arms of warm embrace. Love, Carolyn Drewry

A friendApr - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Wanda, it was great seeing you yesterday but so sad to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Carson Mills - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ What a great lady. My sincere sympathy to Wanda, Karen and your families. I remember the Sunday afternoons our families would spend together when we were kids.

Curtis Brizendine - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Wanda,

Words cannot express what the heart says; so deeply sorry for the loss of your wonderful Mother. A Mother's love cannot be measured or replaced. Just know that you were so very blessed to have had her for all these years and may your memories and faith in Jehovah God bring you peace during this time of despair.

Remember Jesus spoke of God's promise of the resurrection on many occasions and know that you will be with your Mother again in much better days. May Jehovah carry you until you are strong enough to stand on your own again.

Fondly and with deepest condolences, Sherry Weaver

Sherry Weaver - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Dear Wanda and Karen, May God comfort and Bless you and your family during your loss. Your Mother was a wonderful person who always was good to me and cared about me. I am Blessed to have known her. God Bless.

Clint Switzer - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Sorry to hear of Vivian's passing. My mother (Ann) & I worked with her at the Sewing Factory in Craig. I believe we were also related down the line. My grandmother was Pearl Switzer Frango. Know that thoughts and prayers go out to you and your families. Judy Doughty & Ann Frango

Judy Doughty - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ So very sorry to hear of your mothers passing. Such a sweet lady. Hold on to your memories, and let them guide you during this time of sadness. You are in our prayers

Dennis and Annette Hannah - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Kaili, your ECS family is thinking of you during your loss. I pray that you and your family finds comfort and healing soon. Always cherish the special memories you have of your Grandmother and those memories will bring healing to your broken heart!

Sandy Wilkinson - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Ms. Switzer had a wonderful heart and caring personality always asking how you are doing even when she was not feeling well or in pain. It was a great pleasure getting to know her and having many long talks about family and friends from Craig that we shared in common. She was apart of my family history that I feel blessed to have had the opportunity to learn from. She will be missed by all the staff at Richfield.

Shari Brizendine - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HE

“ Once in a while you meet someone that leaves memories in your heart that last forever. You were an amazing, sweet, loving angel in my life. I love you forever

heather - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ We the staff at Paitsel Funeral Home are deeply sorry for your loss.

Paitsel Funeral Home Apr - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM