



Billye Jo Harris

December 27, 1936 - December 11, 2018

Billye Jo Harris, 81, of Warfield, KY passed away Tuesday, December 11, 2018. She was born December 27, 1936 in Martin County, KY daughter of the late Sheldon and Edith Moore Clark. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one sister Patricia Ann Muncy. She was a retired teacher and librarian from Martin County school system. She was a member of Warfield Baptist Church, retired teachers association and Martin County Historical Society. She is survived by her husband, Prentice Harris; two children Debra (Alvin) Bowyer of Huntington, WV and Susan Harris of Warfield, KY; brother-in-law John Muncy of Inez, KY; and several nieces and nephews.

Billye Jo was a lifelong teacher with a degree in Elementary Education from Pikeville College and a Masters in Library Science from Marshall University. She had 40 years of service starting in an old fashion one room school for the first 2 years of teaching. Then she spent 15 years as a 4th grade teacher at Warfield Elementary and 23 years as Librarian at Warfield Elementary and Middle School. As Librarian, she saw every grade level for library skills classes. On various occasions, former students saw her years later and they would say... I read a library book everyday and blame you for it. She would reply "thank you very much. I tried to teach you to love books and reading." Thousands of students learned many skills they used throughout their life to become business men and women, doctors, lawyers and teachers.

She loved the addition of Bibles to the safe trick or treat candy bags that daughter Susan and Kathleen Price helped to organize at Warfield Baptist Church. This year they gave out over 400 Bibles and eventually ran out 20 minutes before it ended. Many children were excited to get a Bible. Reading unlocks a world of potential experiences. The reading of the Bible and accepting Jesus Christ as savior is the key to eternal life in Heaven with God. Donations to this initiative will go to purchase Bibles for outreach projects. Mailing address Billye Jo's Bible Book Club, P. O. Box 223, Warfield, KY 41267. Contacts for book club are Susan Harris and Debra Harris Bowyer.

Funeral service will be conducted 7 p.m. Friday, December 14, 2018 by Pastor David Lemming at Hall Funeral Home and Crematory, Proctorville, Ohio with visitation one hour prior to the service. There will be another service 1 p.m. Saturday, December 15, 2018 at Callahan Funeral Home, Inez, Ky with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in Clark Cemetery, Inez, Ky. Hall Funeral Home and Crematory, Proctorville, Ohio and Callahan Funeral Home, Inez, KY are in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **15**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Callaham Funeral Home, Inez Location
278 West Main St.
Inez, KY 41224
(606) 298-3501
kellycallaham@yahoo.com
<http://www.richmond-callaham.com>

Service

DEC **15**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Billye became a lifetime member of the MCH Society several years ago. We always looked forward to her 7-layers salad dish she made for our special dinner meetings.*

We will miss her.

I pray God will give her family and friends the support and comfort they need in this time of sorrow. God bless the family. My condolences to you.

Evelynn



Evelynn Cassady MCHS - December 13, 2018 at 06:14 PM

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“ *Hazel & Letitia Campbell lit a candle in memory of Billye Jo Harris*



Hazel & Letitia Campbell - December 13, 2018 at 02:42 PM

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“ *So sorry to hear Deb and Susan about your mom. She was a very special lady to me . I will be thinking of you guys sending prayers.*

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Landi Davis - December 13, 2018 at 02:17 PM

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John and I loved Billie Jo, Prentice and Debra and Susan. Billie's mother, Edith Clark and her father, Sheldon Clark, were special people. The last time I saw her was several years ago, but she was all smiles as usual.

Loyce Kirk - December 13, 2018 at 06:03 PM