



Geraldine Gowen Mathews

December 19, 1937 - October 31, 2014

Geraldine Gowen Mathews, 76, of 16876 Rockford School, Hurt died Friday, October 31, 2014 at her residence. She was the wife of the late Stephen Alexander Mathews for forty-five years.

She was born December 19, 1937 in Campbell County, a daughter of the late Wilson "Buck" Rodwell Gowen and Stella Yeatts Gowen. She was of the Baptist faith and a homemaker. Geraldine was an avid collector of many things, a loving mother, grandmother and sister. She enjoyed canning and gardening. Geraldine loved to play pogo on the computer and spent many hours of enjoyment with her computer.

She is survived by a son, Allen Mathews and his wife Christyne of Troutman, NC; two daughters, Janet Boley and her fiance', Kenneth Goding of Evington and Jeanne Matthews and her husband David of Courtland, VA; four brothers, Emmett Gowen (Sandra) of Gladys, James "Jimmy" Gowen (Delama) of Gladys, Burnell "Burnie" Gowen (Elaine) of Altavista and Wayne "Winkey" Gowen (Cheryl) of Altavista; four sisters, Ethel Hackworth (Arnold) of Evington, Delphine Cash of Amherst, Margaret Owens (Wild Willie) of Hurt and Gloria Jean Peak(Eric East) of Concord; nine grandchildren; twelve great grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; a dear friend, Carl Goad; and a special caregiver, Eleanor Martin.

She was preceded in by two brothers, Fred and Robert Gowen and four sisters, Shirley Ferriel, Hazel Arthur, Kathleen Slough and Loraine Denton.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 6, 2014 at Finch and Finch Chapel, Altavista by the Rev. David Cash with interment to follow in Altavista Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday at Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista and other times at the residence.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials Centra Hospice of the Hills, 3300 Rivermont Ave., Lynchburg, VA 24503.

Cemetery Details

Altavista Memorial Park

642 Wards Road
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 5. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Altavista
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Funeral Service

NOV 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall



“ *Lyn Sanders lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Gowen Mathews*



Lyn Sanders - November 05, 2014 at 05:57 PM



“ *Thinking of you all in this time of loss, we love each of you and you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Tina Wells Llyod, Nikki Harmon and Family



Tina Wells Llyod - November 05, 2014 at 10:17 AM



“ *Dianne Marshall Irby lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Gowen Mathews*



Dianne Marshall Irby - November 04, 2014 at 07:21 PM

CG

“ Carl Goad family would like to send our Blessings to the family. We are praying for the family and friends during this time of loss. Geraldine will be greatly missed. Carl's family send his love. He wants everyone to know that he loved Geraldine and misses her greatly. Love Carl, Debra, David, Donna all our children and grandchildren send love.



Carl Goad - November 04, 2014 at 08:43 AM

HM

“ Harold & Mary Moses-Hicks lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Gowen Mathews



Harold & Mary Moses-Hicks - November 03, 2014 at 03:40 PM

DM

“ Dot Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Gowen Mathews



dot mitchell - November 03, 2014 at 04:35 AM

CC

“ Clara Childress lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Gowen Mathews



Clara Childress - November 01, 2014 at 02:43 PM