



Merle Short Mayhew

April 10, 1924 - July 23, 2014

Merle Short Mayhew, 90, of Hurt, died Wednesday, July 23, 2014. She was the wife of the late Eugene Lester (Gene) Mayhew.

She was born April 10, 1924 in Pittsylvania County, a daughter of the late Edgar Franklin Short and Kate Neal Short. She was a member of Lynchburg Seventh Day Adventist Church where she taught Sabbath School. Mrs. Mayhew had a great love for flowers and gardening.

She is survived by two sisters, Rita Livingston and her husband Gary of Westminster, MD and Dorothy (Dot) Bernthal and her husband Alan of Broadway; a sister-in-law, Olene Brown of Hurt; a special niece, Kathy Halterman and a host of other nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a two brothers, Woodrow Short and Edgar Franklin Short, Jr.; and five sisters, Louise Stevens, Azia Moon, Margaret Arendall, Eula Shelton, and Shirley Peterson.

A funeral service will be conducted at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 27, 2014 at Finch and Finch Chapel, Altavista by Pastor Mike Hewitt with interment to follow in Gretna Burial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the service beginning at 3:30 p.m. at the

funeral home.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Lynchburg Seventh Day Adventist Church, 19 George St., Lynchburg, VA 24502.

Cemetery Details

Gretna Burial Park

Corner of Main St. & Leftwich St.
Gretna, VA 24557

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 27. 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JUL 27. 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ To The Family of Merle Short Mayhew...Dot, Rita and all the extended loved ones.
Please accept my Heartfelt Sympathy for the loss of our Dear Merle. Such a loving, generous and caring aunt will be how I remember her. She was beautiful from the inside out. Some of my fondest memories are visits to her home and those "scrumpcious meals she cooked". Mmmm best baked apples and pies ever.

Please accept my apologies for not being able , healthwise, to attend the funeral. My thoughts will certianly be with you and my Aunt Merle.

I have chosen to send a Memorial Gift to the Adventist Church that Merle loved so much.

With Much Love and Sincerity,
Carolyn Arendall Ricks

Carolyn Arendall Ricks - July 27, 2014 at 01:27 PM

CS

“ Your greatest wish,to be set free. Precious Merle lady of grace,beauty.The gate is open If only you had seen yourself through our eyes. ~Cindy and Savannah

Cindy and Savannah Simmons - July 26, 2014 at 02:57 AM

JK

“ Jeanette Knickerbocker purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Merle Short Mayhew .



Jeanette Knickerbocker - July 25, 2014 at 01:58 PM

AB

“ Great-Aunt Merle was such a sweet lady. She truly had a heart of gold. I will always remember our visits at your house in Altavista and all the family stories you told Diana and I.

Alice Bruesch - July 25, 2014 at 11:05 AM

DB

“ Diana Bruesch sent a virtual gift in memory of Merle Short Mayhew



Diana Bruesch - July 25, 2014 at 10:55 AM

DB

*Always enjoying stopping by your house and visiting with you on the way to Lynchburg, to see my Granny Ree as well as other family.
Love, Diana Bruesch*

Diana Bruesch - July 25, 2014 at 10:58 AM

NJ

“ *Nancy James lit a candle in memory of Merle Short Mayhew*



nancy james - July 24, 2014 at 12:12 PM