



Nancy Henderson Lobbregt

September 16, 1931 - November 19, 2023

A loving mom and "Grandnan," Nancy Lobbregt, age 92. of Altavista, Virginia, died Sunday, November 19, 2023.

She was born in Scarbro, West Virginia in 1931 to Elder ("Doc") and Bye Anna (nee Wilburn) Henderson. Growing up, she loved watching her father leading the choir and her mother teaching Sunday School lessons to the babies at their church. Nancy graduated from West Virginia University with a degree in Sociology and worked subsequently as a social worker in Detroit. She soon moved back to West Virginia and began a second career as a teacher. In 1959 she moved to Altavista taking a position teaching 7th grade Social Studies at Altavista (Elementary at the time). For the next 28 years she taught nearly all grade levels, finishing her career as the Reading Specialist at Altavista Middle/High School. During this period, she attained a Master's Degree in Reading from (then) Lynchburg College.

Nancy was married to Tice C Lobbregt, Jr in 1966 and they remained happily married for 40 years before he preceded her in death. They loved to travel and took an annual trip to Maine, often joking that Nancy could eat lobster for breakfast, lunch, and dinner on these trips.

Nancy is survived by two daughters: Rebecca (Ken) Weaver and Jan (John) Schranz. The daughters have fond memories of their mother, foremost being

trips to their grandparents in West Virginia, singing old gospel songs and comic 40's songs at the top of their lungs. As they crossed the West Virginia State line they always sang the fight song of West Virginia University with their mother.

Nancy loved teaching, knitting, and painting, but her favorite role was that of grandparent. She treasured her time with her 7 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren who knew her as "Grandnan" "GGnan". Nancy's love of life will live on in Jason (Aaron) Schranz, Anna (Dane) Holihan, Kenneth Weaver, Jr, Cati (Tony) Stedman, Lisa Schranz, Nancy (Oby) Borland, and Torie Schranz, who fondly remember her laughter and playing jokes on them and with them.

Nancy had many friends in Altavista and were practically inseparable throughout their lives, from working at First Baptist to running the gift shop at Avoca Museum, etc. An active member of First Baptist Church of Altavista, she devoted her time and energy to teaching Sunday School, leading other Bible Studies, helping with missions through Women's Circle Groups and serving as a Deacon. She will be remembered for her willingness to help others and opening her home for Women's Circle, especially the annual luncheon of the group of retired teachers that were her colleagues when she began her career.

We, her family and friends will miss the model parent, grandparent, aunt, and mentor she was to us every day. She will live on in our memory.

There will be a Memorial Service on Friday, December 1, 2023 at 2 o'clock at First Baptist Church of Altavista.

In keeping with Nancy's desire in lieu of flowers the family would like donations to be made to First Baptist Church of Altavista, 1001 Bedford Ave., Altavista, VA 24517 or the Avoca Museum & Historical Society, 1514 Main St.,

Altavista, VA 24517.

Cemetery Details

Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1001 Bedford Ave.
Altavista, VA 24517

Tribute Wall

CH

“ *mrs lobbregt was the best teacher i ever had and someone i thought a great deal of*

connie hendrickson - January 03, 2024 at 12:54 AM

JD

“ *Nancy was my cousin. She helped take care of me when I was little. She took me to my first movie. Her mother was my mother’s big sister. Her mother took care of her little sister after their mother died. They lived near Brookneal. I knew Becky and Jan when they were little girls and send them my sincere sympathy. I lived in Scarbro also.*

jane Christian Digman - November 28, 2023 at 03:08 PM

CR

“ *My Condolences goes to the family, she was a very good teacher*



Carol Rowland - November 22, 2023 at 06:40 PM

JW

“ *Nancy was a very special lady who I greatly admired. I served with her on the Avoca Board of Dirs. and learned so much from her wealth of knowledge. She became a wonderful friend who will be sorely missed by many. My deepest condolences to the family.*



Joan Woodson - November 22, 2023 at 06:37 PM

ES

“ Nancy was a beautiful lady. She made everyone feel special as she taught, served in church and community. A great friend will be missed.



ELIZABETH Ozelle Shelton - November 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM

TB

“ Aunt Nancy, Uncle Tice, chosen names for my dear neighbors growing up on Knollwood. Becky and Jan were playmates. Many great memories as well as sitting down to enjoy your family meals. B, J and I spent times playing "road shows" pulling a wagon to entertain anyone who would listen to us sing! Lol Sending prayers and strength to you both and family . Great lady.

Tobie Church Bentz - November 22, 2023 at 12:11 PM

TB

“ Tobie Bentz lit a candle in memory of Nancy Lobbregt



Tobie Church Bentz - November 22, 2023 at 12:04 PM

JR

“ Very special lady. Sooo 😞 sorry. She taught me in 5th grade. Later on in life, I taught her how to play bridge. 💕💕

Julie Rountrey - November 21, 2023 at 07:30 PM

LH

“ Becky and Jan, I have so many fond memories of your Mom. She was such a wonderful lady. I cannot see her in my mind without a smile on her face or as she was laughing at something. She touched so many people in her life. She will be remembered and missed by so many.

Leann Reynolds Hendricks - November 21, 2023 at 06:21 PM

LM

“ Nancy was a great teacher. She taught by example. She leaves many fond memories for those who knew her. Prayers for her family especially during the holiday season. 🙏🙏

Lucy Marshall - November 21, 2023 at 04:17 PM

SF

“ Becky and Jan so sorry for the loss of your Mom. Nancy was a beautiful Lady and will certainly be missed.



Shirley Forloines - November 21, 2023 at 02:00 PM

RJ

“ Nancy was a truly special person that I was fortunate to have her as my 8th grade English teacher. She was a compassionate cheerful person that everyone loved. She will be missed my everyone that knew her.

Richard Johnson - November 21, 2023 at 12:52 PM

BF

“ *She was such a special person and such a great friend to mama. I will always remember the kindness she showed after daddy passed and the support she provided her. She will be missed.*

Beth Farmer - November 21, 2023 at 12:39 PM

SO

“ *Becky and Jan I am sorry to hear of your Moms passing.*

Shirley Orrell - November 21, 2023 at 12:24 PM