



## ELSIE WHITT ADAMS

July 28, 2019

Elsie Mae Whitt Adams departed this life on Sunday, July 28, 2019 at Tazewell, VA following a long illness.

She was a twin born May 17, 1932 in Yukon, WV to Bert Whitt and Laura Rose Whitt. She grew up in Raysal, WV and attended school there.

In 1947 she met and married her best friend and the love of her life, Fred Adams who passed away in 1994. They were together for 47 wonderful years. During her lifetime, Elsie was employed by: English Elementary School as a cook; West Virginia Sportswear in Kimball as a seamstress; Deskins Supermarket in the Meat and Produce Department; and by Renfro as a sock sorter. She became disabled in 1984 and retired to a cabin in Paddlefork with her husband.

Among her many interests were crocheting, sewing and quilting. She and her husband were famous for the hundreds of handmade quilts they worked on together and which have become heirlooms to her children and grandchildren. Her heart always and forever centered around her family. No sacrifice was too great if her loved ones needed her. She was a loving care-giver and tireless supporter, with a zest for life and laughter. Her charm and graciousness extended to everyone she met; cashiers, nurses, waitresses, utility workers, everyone...to whom her last phrase would be: "Now you keep that smile!" She was preceded in death, in addition to her parents and husband, by her only son Fred Adams Jr. in 2006; her precious daughter Susie Payne in 2011; her brothers Fred Earl Rose, Ernest Whitt, Daniel Whitt, Douglas M. Whitt,

Harless Whitt and twin brother Everette Ray Whitt.

She will be sincerely missed, but leaves loving and precious memories to us all. She is survived by two daughters: Wanda Woody and husband Jason of English, WV and Gail Osborne and husband Howell of Winston Salem, NC; six grandchildren, Mary Mann of Tampa, FL, Harold Deskins and wife Lena of Durham, NC, Ammie Hale and husband Roger of Raysal, WV, Jesse Payne and wife June of San Francisco, CA, Amanda Courts and mother Kaylene of St. Albans, WV, and Kristina Barrett and husband Ray of Olympia, WA; great grandchildren, Shayna Hale, Lexi Padgett, Peyton Hale, Ellison Deskins, Jia-Li Payne, Abigail Deskins, Nehemiah Courts, Danielle Neal, Roger Hale; a great great grandchild Levi Dudleson; and a sister Mary Alice Christian of Doylestown, OH; also many beloved nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Funeral service will be held Wednesday, July 31, at 12 Noon in the Bradshaw United Methodist Church in Bradshaw with Rev. Roger Hale Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton. Friends may call at the church from 11 a.m. until 12 Noon.

Pallbearers will be Harold Deskins, Jesse Payne, Cecil Lester, Derek Neal, Michael Underwood and Peyton Hale.

The Douglas Mortuary of Welch is serving the family.