



LENA MATNEY HICKS

July 3, 1940 - September 2, 2025

Lena Matney Hicks, age 86 of Berwind WV. went home to be with the Lord on Sept. 2, 2025 at Tazewell Community Hospital, Tazewell Virginia. Mrs. Hicks was born on July 3, 1939. She was born to the late Virgil and Nodie Matney. She loved and cherished her daughters and thought she had the best looking grandchildren on earth. She loved to shop and eat out especially at KFC. But she mostly loved going to her church being the Pentecostal faith. She often said that she loved Pastor Randy Cambell Jr. like a son.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Elbert Hicks and 4 of her daughters, Shelby Hicks, Donna Hicks, Violet Charles, Mary Gayness, 2 son-in laws Bobby Charles and Freddy Gayness and 3 of her brothers, Cecil Matney, Raymond Matney and Jessie Matney.

Those left to cherish her memories are her daughters Linda (Richard) Gayness of Randleman NC and Phyllis (Keith) West of Sophia NC. She will be greatly missed by her brothers and sisters, Lawrence Matney of Newhall WV., Kenneth Matney of Coalwood WV. Hazel Curry of Bandy Virginia and Mary Ann Falgiani of War WV. They were a very close family. Her memory will forever be with her best friend and prayer partner Helen Tiller whom she loved dearly. Missing her dearly all her nieces and nephews.

She had 6 grandchildren, Adam Charles (Amanda), LaDonna Owens (Jason), Alicia Sanseverino (Chris), Danielle Gayness, Brian Gayness, and Sarah Muncy (James: Boomer).

She also had 8 great grandchildren, Krissa White, Caleb Payne, Emma

Charles, Cameron Owens, Emily Sanseverino, Christopher Sanseverino, James Muncy III, Dakota Gayness and a new great granddaughter due in a few months.

A one day services will be conducted at the Berwind Pentecostal Community Center on Monday, September 8, 2025. Visitation at 1:00 pm with the funeral service at 2:00 pm. with the Pastor Randy Cambell Jr. and Joe Stanley officiating. Pall bearers will be friends and family. Burial will follow at the Hartwell Cemetery at Hartwell WV.

The Douglas Funeral Home in Welch WV. is serving the family.

Cemetery Details

Hartwell Cemetery

Hartwell, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Berwind Pentecostal Church
Coke Rd
Berwind, West Virginia 26222

Funeral Service

SEP 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

Berwind Pentecostal Community Church
Berwind, WV 24815

Tribute Wall

RC

“ *God Bless her family, she was a Wonderful Woman!!*



Rhonda Collis - September 18, 2025 at 12:46 PM

DG

“ *Donna Gallimore lit a candle in memory of LENA MATNEY HICKS*



Donna gallimore - September 05, 2025 at 06:16 PM

DG

My thoughts and prayers are with you .So sorry to hear of your Moms passing, Love and hugs to the family

Donna gallimore - September 05, 2025 at 06:18 PM

RH

“ *Ruby Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of LENA MATNEY HICKS*



Ruby Harmon - September 05, 2025 at 05:47 PM

PW

“ *This is my mother, that I will Love Forever!*



Phyllis West - September 05, 2025 at 04:29 PM

LA

“ *Lena Matney- as a teen - was our nice next-door friend and Caretta neighbor. My Mom and I remember well and respected the entire family. I think Mom named Kenneth. She and Linda Holder Alderman also were attached to several Matney kids, from birth. Our Coal Miners in Caretta were pretty quiet, but we all cared a lot. ☐ Blessings and Hugs. LA*

Linda Holder Alderman - September 05, 2025 at 03:47 PM