



Nita Jean Dennison

December 28, 1930 - January 13, 2026

Nita Jean Dennison, 95, of Welch WV, died January 13, 2026 at McDowell Healthcare Center in Gary WV.

She was born December 28, 1930 in Gary WV, a daughter of the late Gertrude W. And C. Roland Dennison. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Dorothy Jones.

She was a graduate of Welch High School Class of 1948 and also from the Jefferson School of Commerce. At Welch High School she was a member of the choir, the girls basketball team, the journalism staff, May Court, the marching band, and was head majorette. She received the Welch Junior Women's Club award in 1962.

Throughout her life, Nita dedicated herself to serving others. One of her defining traits was her strong work ethic, having worked 75 years, and just retiring 3 years ago, at age 92.

Much of her professional life involved the health care industry, having worked at local hospitals and the county health department. She retired from Welch Community Hospital after 41 years of service, and received a certificate of appreciation for loyal and dedicated service from former WV Governor Jim Justice.

Nita was an accomplished pianist and singer and was always willing to share her musical talent with others. She provided music to various clubs, as well as a soloist and musical accompaniment for services at local funeral homes.

Her faith and church were always a guiding force in her life. After being a member of Anderson Memorial Presbyterian Church for many years, she faithfully attended the First United Methodist Church, singing in the choir and being the assistant pianist.

Nita enjoyed traveling with family and friends and had many fun times at various beaches, trips to California, Las Vegas, Hawaii, and New York City.

Nita leaves behind a family she loved and cherished including a nephew, Robert Jones of Richmond CA; a niece, Nancy Phillips of Coalwood WV; three great-nephews and their spouses: Kevin and Kathleen Phillips of Westampton NJ; Arnie Phillips and Megan Patterson and sons Leiland and Brody of Bluefield WV; and Chuck and Jessica Phillips of Christiansburg VA; a great-great nephew Chase Phillips, and a great-great niece Cayleigh Phillips. She also adored the family dogs Sophie and Jordan.

The family extends their sincere gratitude to the doctors, nurses, CNAs and staff of McDowell Healthcare Center and Amedisys Hospice, whose care and devotion made her final days more comfortable. They also thank Reverend Brad Davis and her friends and loved ones for their kindness and spiritual support during her illness.

Following Nita's wishes, her body has been cremated. A private remembrance will be held by the family.

To honor Nita's life, please consider charitable contributions to the McDowell

County Humane Society, The American Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.

The Douglas Mortuary in Welch is serving the family. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.douglasmortuary.com

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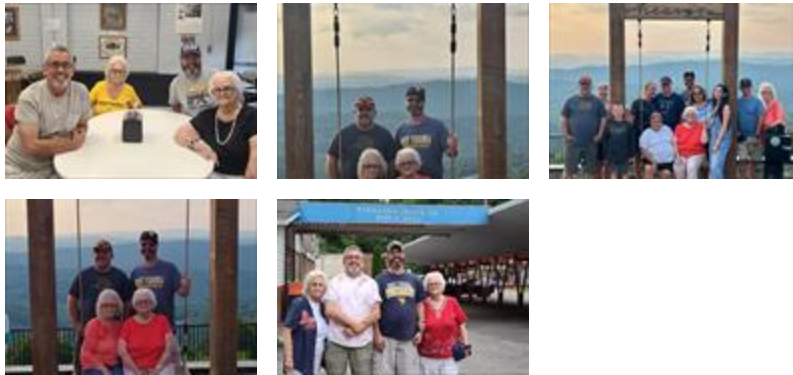
“ Kevin and Marjorie Caffrey



Kevin Caffrey - January 14 at 07:18 PM

KP

“ Thank you Nita for welcoming me into your family. Always enjoyed our visits and we made great memories during our trips to California, Hawaii, and to see family. I am going to miss you. Rest in peace and be sure to watch over all of us from heaven. ❤️ Kathleen



Kathleen Phillips - January 14 at 05:59 PM

SS

“ I met Nita when I was eighteen years old and just returned home from working in Washington, DC for a few months. I got a job in Admissions at Grace Hospital and Nita trained me. She was so patient and we became very good friends. We corresponded frequently when I got married and moved away and I saw her on occasion when returning back to Welch. She was such a sweet friendly lady and very intelligent. Her beautiful smile will brighten the streets of heaven.
Sondra Stamper



Sondra Stamper - January 14 at 07:33 AM

FO

“ I met Nita at Doctors Hospital when I started my first job there. We became fast friends and continued for many years. She was sweet, compassionate and never met a stranger. Keep smiling Nita. You are missed.

Fred and Mary Odum - January 13 at 07:57 PM



“ You were not only my co-worker but, my friend. I love you Anita and I will never, ever forget you and the memories we created together.
Melanie

Melanie Collins - January 13 at 07:29 PM



Stupid spellcheck changed her name “ Nita”

Melanie Collins - January 13 at 07:31 PM



“ 23 files added to the album *Lab Friends*



Melanie Collins - January 13 at 07:27 PM

DJ

My condolences to the family she will truly be missed

Delores Jones - January 13 at 10:49 PM