



Ann Standiford

March 31, 1936 - October 24, 2016

Ann Ligouria Standiford (Davis) left this life on Monday, October 24, 2016. She is preceded in death by her parents, Joseph Arthur Davis and Margaret (Mullin)Davis; two brothers, Tom and Joe Davis; and her husband of 52 years, the late William Eugene Standiford.

She is survived by three (six) cherished children: Tom (Teresa) Standiford of New Martinsville, W.Va; Bridgett (Erich) Reger of Huntington, W.Va; and Bob (Danielle) Standiford of New Martinsville, W.Va. and six (seven) beloved grandchildren: Staci (Daniel) Fonner of Coventry, England; T.J. Standiford of St. Petersburg, FL; Trevor Standiford, Ellie Reger, and Paige Reger of Huntington, W.Va; and Kiera Standiford of New Martinsville, W.Va.

“Mammam,” as she became known after grandchildren starting showing up, was born on March 31, 1936, in Sistersville, W.Va., and even after spending 60 years living in New Martinsville, she still proudly called herself a Sistersvillian. She worked at the New Martinsville Public Library for 35 years, and loved all “libraries,” as she called them. In recent years, she visited Drinko Library at Marshall University and the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, wandering from room to room pointing and “aw-ing” out loud.

She was an avid reader who especially loved Max Lucado books and a talented cross-stitcher who shared her gift by making things for her loved

ones. Her other loves included all things chocolate and the many precious animals she cared for through the years (a few cats, many dogs, and even a goat. Yes, a goat). She enjoyed playing cards and games, having an adventure, or living one vicariously through a loved one. When she was in the kitchen, she flopped a tea towel over her shoulder for convenience and would nibble on various things, then put them in the fridge for months. A peek in her freezer would reveal about eight McDonald's iced coffees in various states of "finished."

She could often be found walking her dog Yogi or participating in events and Bible studies at the New Martinsville United Methodist Church (formerly St. John's), where she was a member for 60 years. Or sitting on a tall kitchen stool, eating her lunch, reading a book (held open by a railroad spike), and looking out the window to see if she could catch a glimpse of any of the neighborhood humming birds.

Her quintessential outfit was high-wasted elastic pants with a blouse, cardigan, and her trusty Keds. And, if she was out, a long green dog "lish" hung over her shoulder, because if she was out, Yogi wasn't far behind.

She was quirky and silly, wearing big hats for winter and summer, jumping up and down on Maple Avenue as she watched the Magnolia Marching Band head to the football field, and even taking a motorcycle ride from a complete stranger...when she was in her 70s.

Her prescription for life would include a soul-mate-dog, a good book, a daily nap, and a piece of chocolate at bedtime. She never quite mastered the art of the whisper or perfected more than a handful of dinners, but her excitement and love for her family and friends never waned. Often, you would get a hand-over-the-mouth giggle or a "bully for you!" after sharing good news with her, or perhaps a tall, bony hug and a "goody goody!"

She will be missed dearly and never forgotten, as we wait patiently for the day we will join her in Heaven.

Family will receive friends honoring Ann on Thursday from 9 am until time of funeral service at Noon at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory 751 Third St. New Martinsville with Pastor Sharletta Green officiating.

Interment will follow in Northview Cemetery, New Martinsville.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Ann's name to the New Martinsville United Methodist Church 10 Howard Dr. New Martinsville, WV 26155 or Wetzel County Humane Society P.O. Box 395 New Martinsville, WV 26155.

Cemetery Details

Northview Cemetery

219 N. State Rt. 2
New Martinsville, WV 26155

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 27. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville
751 Third Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
(304) 455-1800
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ann Standiford*



Grisell Funeral Homes - October 26, 2016 at 08:32 AM



“ *Miss her so much. Dad called her the lady across the street and went in her back door once.*

Betty Ann Thomas - November 07, 2016 at 11:14 AM



“ *Loved her as a neighbor for years. loved seeing her walk her dog. so sorry for your loss.
Was Betty Ann Mitchell now Mitchell-Thomas sorry had to work that day or would have been there.
Dad called her the lady across the street and walked in her back door one day. Called Mrs. Ward that lady toward the end.*

Betty Ann Thomas - October 29, 2016 at 11:12 PM



“ *My Sympathy to the Family, had no idea Ann had passed, I just saw Her not long ago walking Her dog past My House.*

Gary E Campbell - October 28, 2016 at 06:11 PM



“ I wish that I didn't live clear down in Georgia and that I could have been there. I wanted you all to know that your mom was a big part of my life. I spent a lot of time at the Library, both on the corner of North and Maple....and where it is today. I looked forward to not only finding fun books to read, but seeing her. She always had such a wonderful sense of humor and always made me feel like I was "in on the joke"...and made me feel valuable by spending time with me. I didn't always have that in my life, and it was so very much appreciated. The times she made me laugh! And, of course, we went to church together, and saw her often. Don't feel badly that she has left this world, feel blessed to have had her. You will see her again. Love to all of you. Jackie (Powell) Auenson.

Jackie Powell - October 27, 2016 at 12:00 PM

BH

“ I wanted to be there today to tell my friend goodbye. I am ill and cannot make it.
Please know that she was loved by us, Hoppy and Barbara. She was a beautiful person and so unassuming and such an optimistic person. We sat together in Sunday School every Sunday, and I will miss her so much. Her smile was so sweet, and I see it today, I hear her voice, and see her walking in the door at church. I will remember her always.
Please know that I am praying for you, the entire family. She loved you all so much. Loved the obituary you wrote. It was so much her. Through my tears, know that I loved her very much. I will miss her physical presence, but her spirit will live in my heart forever.

Barbara Hopkins - October 27, 2016 at 10:12 AM

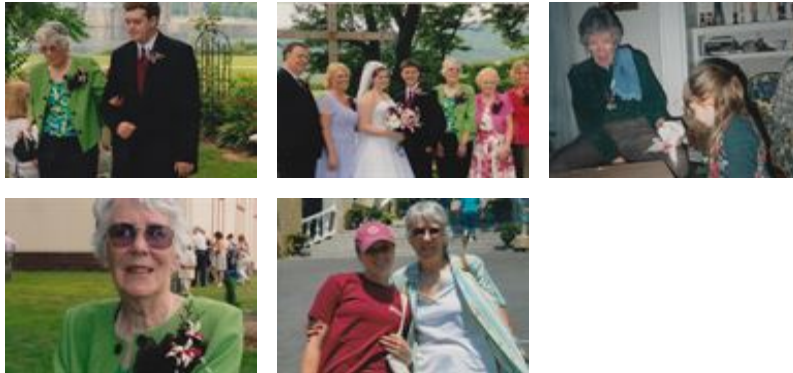
RM

“ I am so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. You all may not remember that I babysat you all many a time on Eliza Street. In addition, your mother and I played board games frequently - she would just ask if I wanted to play and we'd sit at the kitchen table and play for hours. You were all too little for more than CandyLand and I was just about the right age. The board games dwindled away when I moved into late Jr. High, High School with all the activities, etc. but I have always remembered her fondly for the time that she spent with me. Quite a gal! I know you will miss her terribly but just remember her vim and vigor, joy of life, and her uplifting of all she met where ever she went and a smile is sure to come. You all are in my prayers.

Rebecca Coffield Moore - October 26, 2016 at 08:29 AM



“ 52 files added to the album LifeTributes



Grisell Funeral Homes - October 26, 2016 at 08:23 AM

DM

“ Tom I was so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Cherish your memories! Keeping you and your family in my prayers.
Diana Marty

Diana Marty - October 26, 2016 at 07:13 AM

RF

“ Robin Davis & family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Ann Standiford.



Robin Davis & family - October 25, 2016 at 10:23 PM

DN

“ I remember Ann as a great neighbor and always a kind person. She will be missed by all the neighbors and friends.

Don Neville - October 25, 2016 at 10:14 PM

PA

“ Patricia Ankrom lit a candle in memory of Ann Standiford



Patricia ankrom - October 25, 2016 at 03:40 PM

MB

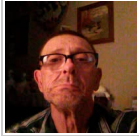
“ I was so sorry to hear of Ann's passing. We played cards together on Thursday afternoon and always had such a wonderful time together. Rose Bridgeman and I visited her at Healthsouth. I am so glad I had that opportunity to visit with her. She will be greatly missed by all of us.

Mary Ann Baker - October 25, 2016 at 01:26 PM

LH

“ I hadn't seen your mom in quite a while, but I ran into her about a year ago,we talked about 20 minutes. it brought back a whole lot of great memories. she will be missed. there wasn't anyone like her.
L.C. Herrick

L.C. Herrick - October 25, 2016 at 11:14 AM



“ I knew ann for a long time she was a good christian lady loved everyone even her dog i give all my sympathy too the family she will be missed. *James. Hibbitts*

James Hibbitts - October 25, 2016 at 09:55 AM

SW

“ *Susan Watson-Connors lit a candle in memory of Ann Standiford*



Susan Watson-Connors - October 24, 2016 at 10:22 PM

SC

“ *My deepest sympathy in the loss of your Mom. She was a great lady!*

Susan Watson Connors - October 24, 2016 at 10:18 PM

TS

thanks susan...it was just time i guess...sorry i missed you at the reunion...hope all is well in ur world!

tom standiford - October 24, 2016 at 11:22 PM

JT

“ *My most sincere sympathy! What fun, joy, inspiration she was to the Eliza Street gang. Love, Jennifer Coffield Tobin*

Jennifer Tobin - October 24, 2016 at 09:05 PM

TS

at one time she was ur biggest fan...she saw u on a commercial once , many years ago...and she was like the obit said as she watched the band go by....it excited her!..i was little buti rember.....thanks for ur comment

tom standiford - October 24, 2016 at 11:26 PM



“ *Jackie Powell lit a candle in memory of Ann Standiford*



Jackie Powell - October 24, 2016 at 08:42 PM

JM

“ *What an awesome lady! We are honored to have known you as we grew up on Eliza Street. Many, many happy memories. You will be missed.*

Jan, Pat, and Sam McCaskey - October 24, 2016 at 08:40 PM

JS

Jan, Pat, and Sam

Jan, Pat, and Sam - October 24, 2016 at 08:41 PM

TS

i doubt my mom ever loved or liked any neighbors more than the mcCaskeys....claire ann and jack were awesome.....we just tolerated you kids,,,hahaha, just kidding,,,thans for the comment

tom standiford - October 24, 2016 at 11:30 PM



“ *Condolences to the Standiford family and to Ann's many friends and neighbors. She was a very special "mom" to whole bunch of teenaged boys growing up near Eliza Street and Virginia Avenue in the early '70s. She touched many lives with her humor and common sense. May light perpetual shine upon her.*

John Fonner

John Fonner - October 24, 2016 at 08:31 PM

TS

thanks john

tom standiford - October 24, 2016 at 11:20 PM

MF

“ *Martha Forrester lit a candle in memory of Ann Standiford*



Martha Forrester - October 24, 2016 at 07:55 PM

JB

“ So sorry for your loss. Ann was a wonderful woman and loved her family and special furry friend Yogi.



J.B & Annette Bridgeman - October 24, 2016 at 07:37 PM

CF

“ The news of Ann's passing shocked my mother and me. What a nice tribute! I loved her tell-it-like-it-is attitude. She was never pretentious, and always kind. What you see is what you get from Ann and my visits won't be the same without her. You are all in my thoughts and prayers!
Carol Mitchell Fier

Carol Mitchell Fier - October 24, 2016 at 05:37 PM

BG

“ Becky Goddard lit a candle in memory of Ann Standiford



Becky Goddard - October 24, 2016 at 05:23 PM

SL

“ I grew up with Tom and spent a lot of time at the house with Ann. I just thought the world of her. She was always fun to be around. As was so well written in the Obit., she was quirky and funny and will be very much missed.

Skip Lechlitter - October 24, 2016 at 05:20 PM

TS

thanks skippy...haha,,,i think u nailed it on the head...i was so proud that all my friends , i believe, thought of her just the way u described her.....thanks alot !!!.....btw no matter how many times we fought its the first time you made me cry.....we did fight some didnt we? i forget!...i know i still have a chipped tooth that u caused,,,lol,,,thanks again, nice of you to comment

tom standiford - October 24, 2016 at 11:17 PM

NC

“ *Ann was a steady supporter of the humane society , an animal lover, and a kind sweet person. She will be missed by many. God keep her*

nancy christman - October 24, 2016 at 04:39 PM

AP

“ *So very sorry to hear of Ann's passing. She was such a sweet and loving person. She always made me smile. She will be dearly missed.*

Anita Phillips Puglia - October 24, 2016 at 04:21 PM

SV

“ *This tribute to Ann is as wonderfully charming and entertaining as she is. How greatly she will be missed. May God grant restored peace and comfort to all who love her so.*

Santina Vigliotti - October 24, 2016 at 03:44 PM

DW

“ *So sorry to hear of Ann's passing. She was one of kind- the kind we love. What a loss to her family, to New Martinsville and to Sistersville.*

Danny Westfall - October 24, 2016 at 03:44 PM