



## Bessie Smith

September 16, 1938 - April 10, 2017

Bessie Smith, age 78 of Proctor, WV was sent home Monday, April 10, 2017 at her home.

She was born September 16, 1938 in Waynesburg, PA, a daughter of the late Waldo and Gaye Tennant Simpson.

She was a long time employee of Witschey's Market, New Martinsville, where she retired in 2000 after 30 years of service, a Christian by faith and a longtime member of Ladies Auxiliary of Grandview Volunteer Fire Dept.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by an aunt, Lilly Tennant of Blacksville, WV.

Survivors include her husband of 53 years, Thomas Smith; a son, Robert (Dawn) Smith of Proctor; three grandsons, Joshua (Ashton) Smith and Michael (Michelle) Smith, both of New Martinsville, Kyle (Megan) Smith of Proctor; five great granddaughters, Abbey Smith, Cloei Smith, Kaylee Postlethwait and Addyson Smith, all of New Martinsville, Myah Smith of Proctor and a great grandson, Braylen Smith of Proctor.

God Bless Journey Hospice who without them our family would have been lost and suffered worse. Special thanks to Kim Doty-Arrick

Family will receive friends on Wednesday from 2-4 & 6-8 pm at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory 751 Third St. New Martinsville, WV, where services will be held on Thursday at 11:00 am. with Darrell Veyon officiating. Interment will follow in Northview Cemetery, New Martinsville.



# Cemetery Details

## Northview Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 12. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

APR 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville  
751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
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## Funeral Service

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APR 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SR

“ SMITTY, SORRY FOR THE LOSS IN THE FAMILY, REMEMBER ITS NOT THAT WE SAY GOODBYE, BUT TILL WE MEET AGAIN. PRAYERS FOR YOU & YOUR FAMILY AT THIS TIME. LISLE ELDER & SHEILA RAMSEY

SHEILA RAMSEY - April 12, 2017 at 02:21 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Bessie Smith.



April 12, 2017 at 02:15 PM

JH

“ Such a wonderful and loving woman. Sending prayers and hugs to all of the family.

Janice and Roger Hall - April 11, 2017 at 06:22 PM

DH

“ Smitty, we are so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom. We will be thinking of you through this hard time. Love and prayers. Your friends in the Business Office... Rhetta, Megan and Donna.

Donna Harter - April 11, 2017 at 08:47 AM



“ Dear Smitty and family, please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Cherishing your many beloved memories of your beautiful mama will hopefully ease your heavy burden. Lisa McDowell and Joe Hill

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**Lisa McDowell** - April 10, 2017 at 06:08 PM

RB

“ So sorry to hear of Bessie's passing. She & I used to spend a couple of weeks in the summer, on Aunt Lucy & Uncle Chester's farm, a few miles from where we lived. We thought we were on a vacation. Sending our deepest sympathies.  
Ruby Brewer



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**Ruby Brewer** - April 10, 2017 at 05:04 PM