



## Cecelia Charlotte Boyd

February 27, 1931 - June 14, 2021

Cecelia Charlotte Boyd, 90, of Triadelphia, WV, died Monday, June 14, 2021, at her home with family members by her side.

She was born in Glen Dale, WV, on February 27, 1931, the eldest daughter of the late Audley Edison and Cecelia Charlotte (Clayton) Lilley.

In addition to her parents Cecelia was preceded in death by her husbands; Kenneth "Mike" Fisher (February 1965) and Calderwood Boyd (November 2011); two brothers, Audley Edison "Eddie" Lilley, Jr. and Robert M. "Tex" Lilley; two granddaughters, Angela Michelle Anderson and Mikelyn "Mickey" Anderson Ryniawec-Lang; one grandson, Elijah Dakota Anderson; a special sister-in-law, Margaret Fisher Dean; and a special best friend, Betty Wymer. As the second eldest in a family of seven children Cecelia-"Cis" as her siblings called her then and throughout their lives-in her young life learned responsibility and was a great help to her parents in the Lilley household. Her experiences were the foundation for a lifetime of helping, caring, sharing, working and loving. She, as most blessed with a life of many years, experienced some ups and downs, heartache, and challenges. However, because of her God-given intelligence, her upbringing, her work ethic, her determination, her never-ending desire to learn, the moments of happiness, accomplishment, celebration, and joy far outweighed the difficult times. Her children were blessed with a mother whose love was unconditional even when missteps may have occurred. She was totally involved with their schooling and the PTA, particularly at Triadelphia Grade School. From the

beginning until her passing she rejoiced in their successes and was a shoulder to lean on when those bumps in the road of life surfaced. Her sacrifices and hard work for her children, particularly in the early days on the farm can never be overstated.

Cecelia worked at many jobs over her life after the farming days. She worked at Fishers Big Wheel for several years, but her "working life" ended in 2011 at the age of 80 after spending nineteen years at the Florence Crittenton Home in Wheeling. However, it must be noted that over the last 55 years or so there has been one of her life's passions intertwined with her other endeavors. That would be: antiques and collecting of such, in addition to all things OLD. She was well-known for her expertise in this particular field. She also taught community education classes at West Virginia Northern Community College for those who wanted to learn the in's and out's of that vocation.

Despite her very strong acquaintance with work, Cecelia's life was by no means all work and no play. She enjoyed many activities associated with fun and laughter, and just being with people who loved being around each other even if it involved a hotly contested game. Until several months ago she attended game night for the Bunco Club which she had been a member of for 60 years. She bowled for many, many years. She was a member of the Wheeling Reelers Square Dancers for many years along with her husband Calderwood. (Not only was she a member of that group, at one point she made all of the outfits for the group. Among her many talents and accomplishments she was an unbelievably talented seamstress-she could sew and make about anything.) She also loved to read almost anything, but particularly history books, especially the Civil War and books on United States Presidents. And probably not the last or certainly not the least she loved to play Euchre. It is believed that she inherited this interest from her Dad who was known to many as Grandpap Lilley. Almost any gathering of friends and/or family would be an opportunity to work in a few games of Euchre. At her very core Cecelia was a person with a loving soul. Nothing was more important than family, and by extension good friends. She loved to entertain,

to have people come to her home, and yes, to Boyd's Barn. Boyd's Barn has been the venue for countless events: barn sales, auctions, square dancing, charity fundraisers, etc. Perhaps, one of the most you-need-to-be-there events was the annual Halloween/Autumn Party hosted by Cecelia for many years. It was a come early and get a seat evening, or you may be standing. A ticket was treasured to be sure.

Whether in the Barn or in the house Cecelia also hosted Christmas and/or New Year's Eve parties for the various individuals in some of the groups mentioned earlier. But perhaps the piece de resistance was the annual Christmas Party at the house for family and close friends. She would start weeks ahead of time to decorate all three floors in the house. The extent and quality of the decorating was amazing-more beautiful and detailed than any pictures of such endeavors one might see in any magazine. Over the last few years she needed increasingly more help to get it done, but wonderful family members pitched in as needed to carry on the tradition. In the past as many as 70 people have attended this function. Gifts were exchanged and delicious food provided by Cecelia and others was eaten. Besides beginning the decorations weeks ahead of time, she also bought gifts or had gifts prepared way in advance. To ensure that no one would go without a gift, she would have unmarked envelopes with a cash gift ready for older children and adults in case someone unexpectedly showed up. And, covering all bases she would have several extra small toys available for both very young boys and girls who may not have been expected to attend. That was the way she was.

She will be sadly missed by all that knew and loved her.

She is survived by her five children; Randy (Linda Zeh) Anderson, of Moundsville, WV, Eddie (Teresa) Anderson, of Triadelphia, WV, Russ (Carol) Anderson, of Citra, FL, Charlotte (Ed Sincavich) Fisher, and Kenny (Kathy Herrington) Fisher, both of Wheeling, WV; two brothers, Russell (Gerry) Lilley and Ronald (Helga) Lilley, both of Moundsville, WV; two sisters, Barbara Kohout of Moundsville, WV, and Mona (Ron) Vah of Barton, OH; Sixteen

grandchildren, thirty great grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and her beloved dog, Susie.

The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to Valley Hospice and, especially to caregivers Jackie and Angie who greatly assisted in the care of our beloved. During the very difficult time before her passing it was a comfort and blessing to have such professional, and just as important, obviously caring individuals to help us. Thank you.

Family will receive friends on Wednesday from 1-4pm and 6-8pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 1 Ridgecrest Road, Bethlehem/Wheeling where funeral services will be held on Thursday at 11am with Pastor Tom Rentfrow officiating.

Private interment will be held at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial contributions may be made to Valley Hospice, 10686 State Route 150, Rayland, OH 43943 (online at [valleyhospice.org](http://valleyhospice.org)); or in the alternative, an organization preferred by the donor.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 16. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

JUN 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem  
1 Ridgecrest Road  
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 232-0400  
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# Tribute Wall

BS

“ *It is with heartfelt sadness that we were unable to attend Cecelia's service. We were out of town, but we talked about what a wonderful friend she had become to us. We grew very close over the years. We will miss her very much. Please extend our deepest sympathy to all her family. Love, Bob and Sharon Sacco*

Bob and Sharon Sacco - June 21, 2021 at 02:38 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.*



June 16, 2021 at 03:17 PM

RA

“ *Cecelia opened her heart and home to me when I needed her and her family the most. I was accepted as one of the family. Cecelia was my confident, my mentor and most of all my friend. Go on this next journey my friend with peace and joy. Love always Robin.*

Robin Amos - June 16, 2021 at 02:58 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.*



June 16, 2021 at 11:18 AM

MC

“ *She will be greatly missed. We always enjoyed go to the fall barn party and also the Christmas party. She always made us feel like family. Its was a privilege to have known her.*

Mike cox - June 16, 2021 at 09:17 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.*



June 16, 2021 at 08:52 AM

KC

“ *We loved the Christmas Parties and always felt like part of the family even though we live so far away. The kids always remember playing in the field, the festive house at Christmas and all the wonderful food. She will be missed and God Bless the family at this time.*

Kari and David Crow - June 15, 2021 at 06:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.*



June 15, 2021 at 03:48 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.*



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June 15, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.*



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June 15, 2021 at 12:44 PM



“ *Memories and Stories of this Wonderful and Beautiful Woman who will be greatly Missed ....by All. The Obituary was so Beautiful And so True.*

*Richard and Karen Butler*

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**Karen Butler** - June 15, 2021 at 12:42 PM

BH

I remember when I met this beautiful lady over 10 yrs. ago. Gave her a dog at 6 months old,, a blk toy poodle which she named Susie who is now 10yrs. It was love at first sight.. Her and Cecilia both had birthdays 🎂🎉🎊🎁🎂 in February. We were friends from day 1. Went to alot.of Halloween 🎃 and 🎄 parties. I loved her like a mother. It was a pleasure just knowing her..I was her groomer for Susie for 10yrs. She loved shopping 🛍️ at Kohls and Walmart after Christmas 🎄 sale. Then her sister Barb her and I would go out to eat. She went to Amish country every summer. Susie loved staying here with me, sleeping on my head. Lol she thought she was at doggie day camp. Never met a more beautiful woman then her ❤️💙 you will be truly missed we 💙💙 you. Your friend Barb Hopkins and Susie 🐕🚗🐕🐕🐕🐕

Barbara Hopkibs - June 16, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.



June 15, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.



June 15, 2021 at 10:24 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.



June 15, 2021 at 10:19 AM



“ I knew Cecelia thru my Volunteer work at the Florence Crittenton Home. She was such a kind person, and made a difference in the lives of so many, including mine. I know that Heaven was waiting for her! Condolences to her family and what a deserving obituary. She will be missed and remembered by all who knew her.

**Pam Lacefield** - June 15, 2021 at 06:36 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cecelia Charlotte Boyd.



June 14, 2021 at 06:47 PM



“ What a wonderful tribute to cecellia. I only have wonderful memories of her. Always smiling and welcoming. We enjoyed our square dancing days. Steak fries at the barn was such an enjoyable time. She was full of energy. Rest In Peace, you have earned it.  
Carol templin

**carol templin** - June 14, 2021 at 06:28 PM