



Jane L. Ripley

June 7, 1952 - April 20, 2015

Ripley, Jane L., age 62, of New Martinsville, WV, died Monday, April 20, 2015 at Wetzel County Hospital, New Martinsville.

She was born June 7, 1952 at Pickstown, SD, a daughter of the late Jack and Jane Elizabeth King Bender.

Jane was a retired school teacher at the New Martinsville Grade School with 37 years of service. She was a Methodist by faith.

Survivors include her husband of 41 years, Bob Ripley; two sons, Chase Ripley of New Martinsville and Brett (Leah) Ripley of Buckhannon, WV; a daughter, Ashton (Josh) Smith of New Martinsville, WV; and two grandchildren, Kinsley Ripley and Addyson Smith.

Family will receive friends on Saturday from 11:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 2:00 p.m. at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 751 Third Street, New Martinsville, with Pastor Mike Shank officiating.

Burial to follow in Northview Cemetery, New Martinsville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Magnolia High School, 601 Maple Avenue, New Martinsville or to New Martinsville Grade School, 20 E.

Benjamin Drive, New Martinsville, WV 26155.

Cemetery Details

Northview Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

APR 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

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751 Third Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
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Tribute Wall

NK

“ *To all of the Ripley family,*

You have been in our thoughts and prayers all week. We will continue to pray for strength and peace at this very difficult time.

*Jeff and Nancy Kelley
and family*

Nancy Kelley - April 25, 2015 at 04:35 PM

MH

“ *Mary Kay Hunt. Dennis Hunt. Autumn Hunt Harrier purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



Mary Kay Hunt. Dennis Hunt. Autumn Hunt Harrier - April 25, 2015 at 09:24 AM

KF

“ *Katie Neeley and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



Katie Neeley and Family - April 24, 2015 at 11:27 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 24, 2015 at 09:00 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 23, 2015 at 10:58 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 23, 2015 at 04:55 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 23, 2015 at 09:06 AM

RA

“ Rachel purchased the Footprints Tribute Blanket for the family of Jane L. Ripley.



Rachel - April 23, 2015 at 08:29 AM

RH

“ One of the kindest and most caring people I have ever had the pleasure to know, and to call her my aunt made it even more special. Uncle Bob, Chase, Brett, and Ashton, we have been thinking of you with heavy hearts. We will always cherish the many great memories we had with Aunt Jane and she will forever hold a place in our hearts.



Love,

Ryan, Megan, Halle, and Taylin

Ryan Hendershot - April 23, 2015 at 06:39 AM

KB

“ Was instantly saddened when I saw "Mrs. Ripley's" obituary yesterday. Jane was my first grade teacher & planted lifelong seeds on the importance of education. I still remember her smile & how welcoming she made our room every morning. So sorry for your loss Coach Ripley & family. Prayers of peace, strength & love. Sincerely, Kimberly Geho Blackwell



Kimberly Blackwell - April 22, 2015 at 05:12 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 22, 2015 at 01:28 PM



“ *Bob, Chase, Brett and Ashton,
It has been many years since we spent any time together, but your family has always held a special place in our memories of living in New Martinsville. The Ripley family opened their home to our son Justin and he is blessed to have a good friend like Chase. Jane was such a wonderful person and as a teacher she helped to shape the lives of so many young people. We are very saddened to hear of your loss and we will keep you in our prayers.
Curt and Linda Hamrick*

Linda Hamrick - April 22, 2015 at 01:24 PM



“ *Mandy Ware lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley*



Mandy Ware - April 22, 2015 at 11:13 AM

NF

“ *Many young people’s lives were made better because of Jane’s influence as their teacher. She touched us all. Please know that Wayne and I are praying for you as you go through this time. God has a peace that passes all understanding to guide and comfort you. Wayne and Nancy*

Nancy Fetty - April 21, 2015 at 06:28 PM

BB

“ *Brandy Becker lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley*



brandy becker - April 21, 2015 at 05:44 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 21, 2015 at 05:41 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, she was a wonderful person she was my 4th grade teacher a the best one!! Prayers for this family*

Sarah Boron - April 21, 2015 at 05:34 PM



“ *'Faith, Hope, and Peace' Comfort Candle was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 21, 2015 at 05:29 PM



“ *I love Jane dearly! She always made me feel so special and like a part of the family. My thoughts and prayers are with Coach Ripley, Chase, Ash, Brett and the entire family. Love you all! Rest in peace, beautiful Jane! Love, Christy*

Christy Lusk - April 21, 2015 at 04:08 PM



“ *Bob, Chase, Brett and Ashton, I have many fond memories of your family and especially Jane. Sweet girl and always had a beautiful smile. We spent sometime together watching Brett and Michael play baseball. That sure was a fun time. My heart goes out to you. Cherish your beautiful memories, as I know you have many. My prayers are with you. Sherry Tracey*

Sherry Tracey - April 21, 2015 at 02:06 PM



“ *Bob, Ashton, Chase, and Brett, I did not know Jane that well, but my kids, Aimee and Steve knew all of you. We are very sorry for your loss. We know what losing a man and a wife is like. Your friends and family hopefully will help.*
Larry Dankmer



Larry Dankmer - April 21, 2015 at 01:03 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 21, 2015 at 11:34 AM



“ *Michelle Parker lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley*



Michelle Parker - April 21, 2015 at 11:25 AM



“ *Mrs. Ripley was an amazing teacher, she cared for all of her students as they were her own kids. I'll miss you so much. I really wish you could have made it to my graduation. Love you. Rest easy.*

Jamie Smith - April 21, 2015 at 11:04 AM



“ *Bob and Family, Our deepest sympathy to all of you as we keep you in our prayers. Whit Parks and Family*

Whit Parks - April 21, 2015 at 10:57 AM

SF

“ SHARON FREEMAN lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley



SHARON FREEMAN - April 21, 2015 at 09:08 AM

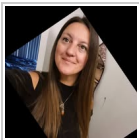
DL

“ Chase,

We are saddened by the loss of your mother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.

*Sincerely,
Dana and Debbie Lusk*

Dana Lusk - April 21, 2015 at 08:28 AM



“ *There's no words that can describe the person she was, a teacher, a mother, a daughter, a friend. She impacted so many lives in teaching alone, she will be greatly missed by everyone that was blessed to step in her path. May God be with you! RIP*

Cara Davisson - April 21, 2015 at 08:18 AM

KA

“ *So sorry for your loss, she was a very nice and caring lady. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God's peace guide you thru this difficult time.*

Kathi & Kyle Smith

Kathi - April 21, 2015 at 08:06 AM

SG

“ *Bob, Chase, Brett, and Ashton: So sorry to for your loss. Jane was such a wonderful woman and fantastic teacher. I really enjoyed working with her. She always had a smile on her face and always had time to speak when I saw her. I know she touched many lives and will be missed by many. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



Sandra Greathouse

Sandra Greathouse - April 21, 2015 at 06:28 AM

ML

“ *Share a memory of Jane L. Ripley or send condolences to the family.*



Michelle Lewis - April 21, 2015 at 06:14 AM

RR

“ *Bob, Chase, Brett and Ashton. I was shocked and sadden to learn of your loss. I will never forget thous evening walks around the neighborhood and seeing Jane with that infectious smile. As a teacher she touched, molded and shaped the lives of so many young students that we'll make this a better world. For that we are very grateful for her many years service towards that goal. My Condolences to the entire Family.*

Ron Ruth - April 21, 2015 at 04:26 AM



“ *Mrs. Ripley was one of my favorite teachers and neighbor as I grew up. She was a very sweet women whom everyone loved. My prayers and thoughts go out to Mr. Ripley and her family.*

Tammy Payne - April 21, 2015 at 12:32 AM



“ *Jenn Wade lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley*



Jenn Wade - April 20, 2015 at 10:44 PM



“ *Tara Winland Lane lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley*



Tara Winland Lane - April 20, 2015 at 10:12 PM



“ *Mrs. Ripley was my first grade teacher. She knew it was rough for me being the new kid. But, she was amazing teacher so kind and caring. She will be missed by many. Her family is in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless*

Debra Aliff Rimbeck - April 20, 2015 at 10:07 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 20, 2015 at 09:53 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss, Jane was a beautiful and wonderful lady!*



Faye Skinner - April 20, 2015 at 09:46 PM



“ *Mary Kay Hunt lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley*



Mary Kay Hunt - April 20, 2015 at 09:28 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jane L. Ripley.*



April 20, 2015 at 09:17 PM

MK

“ Bob, Chase, Brett and Ashton, I am so sorry for your loss. Jane was an amazing lady and always smiling. She will be missed deeply. Even through her trials, she would stop and ask about Bentley while on her walks. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Love to you all, Mickie

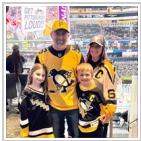
Mickie Kocher - April 20, 2015 at 08:56 PM

CE

“ Mrs Ripley was my 4th grade teacher many years ago now she was a sweet and caring lady and would go the extra mile to help anyone she will be missed



Cody Elliott - April 20, 2015 at 08:54 PM



“ Keeping the entire family in my daily prayers! God Bless!

Jonathan Ricciardi - April 20, 2015 at 08:46 PM

JB

“ Mrs.Ripley will be missed, wonderful teacher
Juli (Dvorak) Buschagen

juli buschagen - April 20, 2015 at 08:41 PM

GS

“ So sorry to hear of Jane's passing. The last time we spoke was in the Chemo lab at Wheeling Hospital. It was a somber time. I am out of the Valley until Sunday, but I will be there in spirit on Saturday. God bless Jane and God bless you.
Greg Swords

Greg Swords - April 20, 2015 at 08:23 PM

DS

“ Dave, Dee & Tasha Smith purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Jane L. Ripley.



Dave, Dee & Tasha Smith - April 20, 2015 at 08:22 PM

TS

“ Thoughts and prayers.....

Terry, Donna, Shelby and Cedar Sands - April 20, 2015 at 07:49 PM

JH

“ Jeff, Debbie, Leandra,, Zack Hohn lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley



Jeff, Debbie, Leandra,, Zack Hohn - April 20, 2015 at 07:49 PM

DH

Bob, Chase, Brett, Ashton; Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time. Jane was a wonderful lady, always smiling. Jeff & Debbie Hohn

Debbie Hohn - April 21, 2015 at 09:31 AM

 Malinda Helmick

“ Jane was my first grade teacher and I adored her when I was younger... so patient, kind and funny.... thoughts and prayers for the family!!



Malinda Helmick - April 20, 2015 at 07:31 PM

RA

“ Jane will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time. Keep all those precious memories close to your heart. Many hugs and much love to you, Bob, Brett, Chase and Ashton.

Randy, Cindy, Kayla and Austin - April 20, 2015 at 07:21 PM

EM

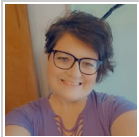
“ We are so very sorry to lose such a wonderful person. We will pray for peace for Bob, the children and the grandchildren. God bless you all!

Eileen Miller - April 20, 2015 at 07:19 PM

TL

“ Jane was always smiling and so sweet! She will be missed. I am so sad for Bob, her children and grandchildren. Praying for them all.

Terri Locke - April 20, 2015 at 06:49 PM



“ Jane was an amazing lady who will be sadly missed by all. My deepest condolences go out to you all, I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Lisa Wysong - April 20, 2015 at 06:47 PM

KH

“ We have so many fond memories of our friendship with Jane and Bob that it is hard to pick out just one. The annual couples Christmas shopping trip, including this year, always brought a lot of fun and laughter and the memories will stay with us forever. You will be greatly missed Jane in many, many ways. Our sympathy and prayers go out to Bob, Chase, Brett, Ashton and families.

Keith and Nettie Jo

Keith and Nettie Jo Herrick - April 20, 2015 at 06:40 PM

JC

“ None of my kids or grandkids had the pleasure of having Jane as a teacher, it I had the opportunity to see her almost every week when I volunteered in the library. Always professional, friendly and kind. I Know she will be missed very much.

Jean Carr - April 20, 2015 at 06:39 PM

JP

“ She was such an amazing lady and a great teacher. My thoughts and prayers go out to Coach Rip, Brett, Chase and Ashton. RIP Mrs. Ripley.

Jeff potts - April 20, 2015 at 06:22 PM

MP

“ *She was a wonderful person and great teacher too many. She taught my daughter in school. She was always there for any student who needed extra help. Prayers to family and friends. She will be missed.*



Marti Polacik and family.

Marti Polacik - April 20, 2015 at 06:17 PM

LY

“ *So sorry for your loss. You all are in our prayers.*

Lisa Yoho - April 20, 2015 at 05:35 PM

 Linda Riggs

“ *Such a wonderful lady and friend..I got to know Jane after my husband started coaching with Coach Ripley..we have been through some championships together , cried some happy championship tears ..we are so saddened..we will miss her*

Linda Riggs - April 20, 2015 at 05:25 PM

LP

“ *Our hearts are broken as we got the sad news this morning and then tried to carry on with our daily routine. I had constant reminders of Jane as I went about my day at school. Throughout her courageous battle she always had a smile and a positive attitude. Praying for God's peace and comfort for Bob, Brett, Chase, Ashton, and their families. With deepest sympathy, Lil and John*

Lillian Pierce - April 20, 2015 at 05:17 PM

LF

“ Jane always cared about others. She was a very private, but giving person. I still can't get over the time that she was coming home from her first chemo and had Bob stop at a store so she could buy me a get well card. That's how she was. She thought about others and didn't want any attention on herself. New Martinsville School and the community were blessed to have her.

Linda Fonner - April 20, 2015 at 05:15 PM

BG

“ Want u to know your family is in our thoughts and prayers !

Bob & Carol Gorby - April 20, 2015 at 05:10 PM

TR

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. I have always had so much respect for your family.

Tonya Snow Huggins Rush - April 20, 2015 at 05:07 PM

TR

“ Tonya Snow Huggins Rush lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley



Tonya Snow Huggins Rush - April 20, 2015 at 05:05 PM

ES

“ My youngest son had Mrs. Ripley for math. She was the first teacher to tell him he was lazy and capable of so much more than he was doing. They were the exact words he needed to hear. Someone he respected transferred her faith in him to him. Math became his favorite subject and still is to this day.

She was the best of people. Kind, thoughtful, and caring enough to take a minute to encourage.

Elizabeth Seckman - April 20, 2015 at 05:01 PM

PS

“ My most precious memories of Jane are from 5th grade lunch duty throughout the years. I swear her facial expressions kept me in stitches day in and day out. I learned so much from this strong woman. Many years ago I started calling her my hero. If I can be half the teacher/person she was, I'll be happy. You will be missed my dear friend. Much love and many prayers for your family and loved ones keeping your memories alive.

Pam Shockley - April 20, 2015 at 04:58 PM

LS

“ Prayers for the Ripley family...

Lisa Spratt - April 20, 2015 at 04:32 PM

JM

“ So Sorry for your loss.

John Mensore - April 20, 2015 at 04:08 PM

LH

“ Our 42-year friendship has hit a bump in the road..... We shared so much and now there will be a deep void until we meet again. Never a cross word was exchanged and many laughs enjoyed, especially that so many people in our little town confused us with each other. We were all taught lessons in how to live life to the fullest. Just Thursday Mrs. Ripley told me that she refused to get upset about things she could not control. "Life is good," My Friend..... ❤️

Linda Hill - April 20, 2015 at 03:52 PM

SV

What a lovely tribute to such a lovely person.

santina vigliotti - April 20, 2015 at 04:23 PM

MK

I was saddened to hear of Jane's passing. She always had a smile on her face even when she was not feeling well. She had a kind word for everyone, and her students loved her. My deepest sympathies to Bob and the rest of the family.

Mary Kovalcik - April 20, 2015 at 06:04 PM

TJ

“ Thoughts and prayers for the whole family....

Tonya and Cris Jenkins - April 20, 2015 at 03:33 PM

TJ

“ Tonya And Cris Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Jane L. Ripley



Tonya and Cris Jenkins - April 20, 2015 at 03:27 PM

MH

I just learned of Jane's passing. We taught together at New Martinsville and our husbands coached together. Bob and Jane were always great caring people. I am so sad to learn of this news. While we drifted apart in miles I always thought of Jane. She will forever be carried in my heart. God Bless you all

Mary Kay Hunt - April 20, 2015 at 09:16 PM