



Russell Jerry "The Bear" Cook

May 13, 1935 - May 31, 2021

Betty Lee Cook age 85, Russell Jerry "The Bear" Cook, age 86, both of New Martinsville. Betty passed May 18, 2021 and Jerry passed away May 31, 2021 in New Martinsville, WV.

Betty was born, February 15, 1936 in New Martinsville, daughter of the late Eseck C. & Opal Hutchison Burlingame.

Betty was a retired employee of Witschey's Market, in New Martinsville.

Jerry "The Bear" was born, May 13, 1935 in Proctor, WV, a son of the late Russell Cook and Fay Baxter Evans.

Jerry worked 18 years at Ormet and was owner and operator of Cook Auto Parts for 20 years.

Jerry was an avid Ham radio operator for several years. They were Methodist by faith.

The couple had been married for 66 years, they were preceded in death by their parents and a grandson; Winston Cook. Jerry was preceded by a sister, Eloise Davis.

Survivors include two sons, one daughter, eight grandchildren and two great grandsons.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family with interment in Northview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to New Martinsville City Library, 160 Washington Street, New Martinsville, WV 26155 or Wetzel County Animal Shelter, 7257 Burch Ridge Rd, Proctor, WV 26055.

Arrangements entrusted to Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 751 Third Street, and New Martinsville WV.

Tribute Wall

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“ Deepest sympathy to the family, especially Debbie, Jeff and Darren. Your Mother always greeted me with a smile and her soft spoken voice will be remembered. New Martinsville lost another beautiful family. My condolences, Patty(Clark)Snider

Patty Snider - August 08, 2021 at 11:27 AM

KC

“ Darren and Family:
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Betty and Bear. I have fond memories of them both - they were always so nice to me and it was a pleasure to come to their beautiful house and to know them. They both always had a smile, and Bear always had a joke; I made it a point to see Betty whenever I was in Witchey's for a quick "hello." My condolences to the entire Cook Family.
- Kerry Collias

Kerry Collias - June 04, 2021 at 10:17 AM

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“ Pap could never remember my name but he always made me smile. Granny was so kind, a great cook, and a shining light. I am so thankful to have grown up with Lindsey & been able to know her awesome grandparents. I lost mine at a young age, so it was nice of my bestie to share her Pap and Granny with me. I hope they are resting peacefully and I am sending my condolences to the entire family.



ashley - June 03, 2021 at 07:46 PM

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“ *Debbie,
So sorry for the loss of your parents. Your mom was in Witschey's
and with a smile as well a kind word.*

Betty Ann Mitchell-Thomas - June 02, 2021 at 03:49 PM