



Billie Linder Mills

September 19, 1934 - December 1, 2020


Billie Linder Mills, age 86, of Blacksburg, Virginia, died Tuesday, December 1, from complications with a heart procedure. She was born in Salisbury, NC to the late William E. Linder and Nancy Anne Bowers Linder. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert L. Mills.

Billie is survived by her sister, Norma Wood, her husband, Charles Wood and their children, Melanie Wood Wilson and Sid Wood; her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, William C. Mills and Anne Mills and their children, Jeff, Kevin and Laura Mills Chen. In addition, Billie is survived by her own children: son, Duane Mills, his wife Cathy and children Savannah, Spencer and Peyton; her daughter, Janis Mills Harr, her husband Matt Harr and their children, Michael and Morgan; her daughter, Jenny Mills Cater and her husband Ted Cater, and their children, Megan and Benjamin.

Billie graduated Highland Springs High School in 1952 and attended Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, TN. She later graduated Radford University in 1975. Billie spent many hours volunteering in the community, giving of her time and energy to organizations including The Friends of the Roanoke Symphony, Roanoke Symphony Board, New River Community College Foundation Board. She also acted as an historical interpreter at Historic Smithfield, served on the Smithfield-Preston Foundation Board and as a member and officer of the Alleghany Chapter, NSDAR (Daughters of the

American Revolution).

A small funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 5, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the McCoy Funeral Home chapel, Blacksburg, VA, with Rev. Scott Obenchain officiating. Interment will follow at Westview Cemetery, Blacksburg. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. prior to the service at McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg. Please plan to wear a mask.

 In lieu of flowers, Billie requested that donations be made either to New River Community College Education Foundation, (attn. Duane M. Mills Scholarship Fund, New River Community College, 5251 College Drive, Dublin, VA 24084 (via check) or online at https://www.nr.edu/foundation/giving_ways.php) OR The Alleghany Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, via check to Karen Finch, 412 Ridgeview Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24060 (add Billie Mills to the subject line of check).

Cemetery Details

Westview Cemetery

723 E. Roanoke Street
Blacksburg, VA

Previous Events

Service

DEC 5. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home Chapel
150 Country Club Dr S.W.
Blacksburg, VA 24060

Tribute Wall

PR

“ *Duane, Cathy, Savannah, Spencer, and Peyton,*

You have certainly been in our thoughts and prayers. Billie was a classy lady and I know you will miss her terribly. You are on our prayer list at church (BBC) and our Life Group as well.

*Blessings,
Dave and Phyllis Rettig*

Phyllis Rettig - December 06, 2020 at 08:33 PM

LW

“ *My heart is sad to learn of Billie's passing but Heaven gained a wonderful and fun angel. Billie was one of my Smithfield 'moms', mentoring me when I started to volunteer in 1999. With Smithfield boards and activities, she was knowledgeable and had a gentle yet strong, wise voice. She knew when and what questions needed to be asked. She understood the importance of volunteer efforts and voice and valued everyone. Smithfield will continue to enjoy her influence for generations to come. Altogether she was such a genuine, good person, down to earth, fun. How lucky I was to know her. My deep sympathy and condolences to her family.*

--Laura Wedin

Laura Wedin - December 04, 2020 at 05:21 PM

AF

“ Atlanta Fed purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Billie Linder Mills.



Atlanta Fed - December 04, 2020 at 03:39 PM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Billie Linder Mills.



December 04, 2020 at 03:13 PM



“ Red & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Billie Linder Mills.



December 03, 2020 at 08:20 PM

LH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Billie's death, and I send my condolences to all her family. I volunteered with Billie for many years at and on behalf of Smithfield Plantation and its parent organization, the Smithfield-Preston Foundation. We worked together on many projects, but especially memorable was the effort to create a new organizational structure and set of bylaws for the governance of the museum as it was being transferred to the Foundation by Preservation Virginia. I always admired her organizational skills and gentle but effective leadership ability, and she was fun to work with, too. I am grateful that my life intersected with hers for a period of time.

--- Lisa Reynolds Hammett

Lisa Hammett - December 03, 2020 at 08:15 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Billie Linder Mills.



December 03, 2020 at 07:20 PM

RB

“ BBC church member friends since the early 1970' with both Billie & Bob. Delightful Christian Bible Studies group with hosting rotation. Billie was an encouraging caring friend. Roland "RB" Byrd

Roland Byrd - December 03, 2020 at 05:54 PM

CB

“ How sad to hear about Billie. My deepest sympathy to all her family
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Charlotte Tate Burgess - December 03, 2020 at 05:04 PM

CE

“ Carolyn L. Eller purchased the *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White* for the family of *Billie Linder Mills*.



Carolyn L. Eller - December 03, 2020 at 04:48 PM