



Peggy Jean Huffman

July 17, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of Peggy Jean Huffman on July 17, 2025, at her home, after 89 wonderful years. Though 89 years is a long time, it still doesn't feel long enough. Peggy was a bright light in her family and community, loved by many, and truly beautiful inside and out.

Peggy's faith was a cornerstone of her life, and she was an active and devoted member of Bethel United Methodist Church. The church and its congregation were like family to her, and she cherished them deeply. She was also an exceptional cook, and family dinners were always a highlight. Peggy enjoyed traveling with friends on bus trips for weekend getaways and loved attending luncheons with her high school and church friends. She was an active member of Craig County Daughters of the American Revolution, the Craig County Historical Society, the Garden Club and United Methodist Women, and she dedicated many years to serving in various capacities for the United Methodist Conference, which she truly loved. Professionally, Peggy served as the Clerk and Deputy Clerk of the Craig County Circuit Court and then as an Administrative Assistant at Virginia Tech until her retirement.

Peggy is survived by her beloved daughter and son-in-law, Shari and Robert Tripp; her granddaughter and husband, Ashlei and Justin Barham; and her great-grandchildren, Oscar and Gunner Barham, and Kenadee Tripp and her mother, Heather Stover. She is also survived by her nephews, Matt Dowdy

and his wife Kim and their daughter Lena, and Joe Dowdy, as well as a dear family friend Myra Williams, special cousin Frankie Rash and many other amazing friends.

Peggy was preceded in death by her beloved husband, William O. "Chuck" Huffman; her parents, Ned H. and Pauline K. Dowdy; her sister and husband, Jane and Tom Hurd; her brother, Hale Dowdy, and his son, Rusty; her grandson, William Robert "WR" Tripp; and her father and mother-in-law, Earl "Speedy" and Ruth Huffman.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Peggy's caregivers: Bobbie, Hannah, Miriam, and Teresa. They provided incredible care and were so good to her. We also deeply appreciate the wonderful care provided by Gentle Shepherd Hospice, especially Tracy, Donna, and Jennifer. We cannot thank everyone enough; their support and love were invaluable to us, and Peggy was incredibly grateful for their care.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at 12:00 noon at Bethel United Methodist Church in Craig County, with Rev. San Kang and Rev. Larry Thompson officiating. Burial will follow in Ross Cemetery, Craig County. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 10:00 am until the service time. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Bethel United Methodist Church or Simmonsville Volunteer Fire Department. Arrangements are being handled by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg, VA.

Cemetery Details

Ross Cemetery

Cumberland Gap Road

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethel United Methodist Church
11599 Cumberland Gap Rd
New Castle, VA 24127

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

KJ

“ Dear Shari, family and Myra,
So sorry to hear of your loss. God bless each of you and comfort you. Love, Kay Jennings

Kay Jennings - July 22, 2025 at 08:07 AM

KH

“ Peggy was a dear friend and neighbor. I always enjoyed visiting her and Chuck through the years. She always had a smile on her face no matter what was going on. She will be missed by all. I know she is at peace, free of pain. She will live on in our hearts.



Kathy Huffman - July 22, 2025 at 06:08 AM

PW

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. My name is Peggy Williams my father was Kenneth Williams from Mountain Lake we are actually related to Peggy.



Peggy Williams - July 21, 2025 at 09:01 PM

KL

“ Sending my sincerest condolences to Shari & family. Peggy was such a beautiful woman! She was always impeccably dressed with so much style & grace! But what I remember most was her sweet smile & gracious demeanor. She was always friendly regardless of how well she knew you. Craig County will be missing an elegant & respected lady!! My prayers are with the family. ~Karen Link~

Karen Link - July 21, 2025 at 04:14 PM

KL

“ Karen Link lit a candle in memory of Peggy Jean Huffman



Karen Link - July 21, 2025 at 04:06 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Peggy Jean Huffman.



July 21, 2025 at 10:30 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Peggy Jean Huffman.



July 21, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peggy Jean Huffman.

July 21, 2025 at 09:23 AM

LB

“ *Linda T. Baker lit a candle in memory of Peggy Jean Huffman*



Linda T. Baker - July 20, 2025 at 10:32 PM

MP

“ *Peggy was beautiful, kind, generous, and a joy to know. We will miss her greatly and wish we were able to be there in person with you all. Please know that you are in our hearts and our prayers. Love, Duane and Marie*

Marie Parette - July 20, 2025 at 09:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Peggy Jean Huffman.*



July 20, 2025 at 09:37 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peggy Jean Huffman.*

July 20, 2025 at 09:37 PM

RD

“ *Peggy was the epitome of a true southern lady, always gracious, perfectly coiffed and charming. I was honored to call her a friend.*

My sincerest condolences to the family. May you find comfort in the memories and love Peggy gave each of you.

Ruth Duncan - July 20, 2025 at 03:49 PM

BG

“ *Peggy was a very special friend. She had such class, always looked beautiful, and showed kindness to everyone!!! RIP dear friend!!!!*

Betty Greene - July 20, 2025 at 02:05 PM

SM

“ *Susie Mattox lit a candle in memory of Peggy Jean Huffman*



Susie Mattox - July 20, 2025 at 11:30 AM

TL

“ *Theresa & Lily purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Peggy Jean Huffman.*



Theresa & Lily - July 19, 2025 at 10:38 PM

BW

“ *I enjoyed knowing and working with Peggy at VT and am saddened to learn of her passing. My condolences to her family and loved ones.*

BARBARA J WALLER - July 19, 2025 at 02:59 PM