



Edna Hanks

December 17, 1922 - June 11, 2015

DUBLIN, VA - Edna E. Hanks, 92, of Dublin, VA, formerly of Princeton left this world to spend eternity with her Lord and Savior and the love of her life Olen James Hanks on Thursday, June 11, 2015. Edna passed peacefully from this life and into the next while being surrounded by her family and those who dearly loved her. She was born December 17, 1922 in Bluefield, VA and was the daughter of the late Robert Price Tabor and Bonita Amos Tabor.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 38 years, Olen James Hanks in 1984; one brother, Robert F. Tabor; and five sisters, Nancy N. Bowers, Margaret Mae Lester, Hazel C. LaRue, Francis Pearl Kitts and Phyllis A. Tabor.

Those who knew "little Edna" will concur that her time here was well spent, having touched countless lives in her 92 years. Edna didn't know a stranger. Upon meeting her you immediately felt loved and as though you were family as she would embrace you with a hug and insist upon serving or feeding you. She was a fantastic host and a member of the First Christian Church in Princeton. She enjoyed cooking for her family, extended family and friends, and was an accomplished seamstress.

Earlier in life, Edna left her home in West Virginia for Buffalo, NY where she helped in serving her country during World War II in an aviation plant as one

of the "Rosie the Riveters." In the early 1940s she returned to the Princeton area and in 1946 she married the love of her life, James "Olen" Hanks. During her marriage, she was the ultimate homemaker. She cooked, cleaned, hosted large gatherings of friends and family, made clothes for her children, made curtains, bedding, furniture coverings and did or made practically anything for her home and family. Those who knew her would agree that there was practically nothing she could not do or make.

Edna was a true woman of character that had a way of making everyone she met feel loved and welcomed into her home and her life. She had such a loving, giving, caring and servant spirit that will always be remembered and cherished by her family. Those family members surviving her and which will cherish the memories they shared with her are: one daughter, Bonita (Bonnie) Buckner and her husband Harold of Princeton; one son, James Clay Hanks and his wife Pat of Princeton; two sisters, Alma Jean LaBue and her husband Joseph of Plainview, NY and Carol Sue Pollio and her husband Joseph of St. Michaels, MD; one brother, Frank Earl Tabor and his wife Ima Jean of Bluefield, VA; four grandchildren, Dana Lynne Hanks, Harold Lee Buckner, Tina R. Clark and Eric J. Buckner; six great-grandchildren, Justin C. Hanks, Trey R. Lee, Brandon S. Sluss, Ayden M. Buckner, Latisha Bish and Lyndsay Clark; and three great, great-grandchildren, Josiah Buckner, Amiah Bish and Jeremiah Bish.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. Monday, June 15, 2015 at the Rowland H. Bailey Chapel of Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with the Rev. Larry Dyer officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton.

Serving as pallbearers will be Harold L. Buckner, Jr., Eric J. Buckner, Justin C. Hanks, Trey Lee, Brandon Sluss and Steve Harvey.

The family will receive friends Monday, June 15, 2015 from noon until service hour at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.bailey-kirk.com.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

450 Courthouse Road
Princeton, WV 24740

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 15. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home
1612 Honaker Avenue
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Funeral Service

JUN 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edna Hanks*

December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Bonnie and Jimmy my Love and Prayers to you both. So sorry I was unable to make to the funeral. We were having services for yet another family member. My Prayers and Love are with you all!!!!!! You had one of the sweetest Mother. She was always helping others and so kind to others. One of our Edgemont Mothers. May Gos give you peace and comfort!*

Emerson and Diana okes - June 17, 2015 at 05:48 AM



“ *Bonnie and Jimmy, so sorry for your loss.. Everyone are in our thoughts and prayers*



Buddy & Arlene Midkiff - June 15, 2015 at 08:37 PM

KB

“ Bonnie and Jimmy,

I can still see your Mother driving down the hollow in her Cadillac! All you could see was the top of her head! Edna was such a loving and devoted woman. Her generosity love of her family showed in her day to day activities. She was always read to help out. You both have inherited her traits and they will continue on for generations to come. I feel so blessed to have known your Mother...she was one of the sweetest and kindest ladies I have ever known.

Hold tight to your memories and cherish them...they will last a lifetime.

*Thoughts and prayers,
Kris and David*

Kris Bailey - June 15, 2015 at 10:50 AM

RT

“ *I will always remember her love in my time of need when my mother was hospitalized with cancer. She was truly a remarkable woman and words cannot express the love I hold for her.*

Regina Tabor - June 13, 2015 at 10:23 PM

PM

“ *Bonnie, I so sorry to hear of your Mothers passing. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

Patricia Newberry Miller - June 12, 2015 at 07:47 PM

JW

“ *Jean Wills lit a candle in memory of Edna Hanks*



Jean Wills - June 12, 2015 at 07:13 PM

JC

“ *She was a very dear lady, she was always so good to Lyndsay always kept her things to play with and she always made me feel welcome to her home a very dear lady. God pick a ANGEL*

JUDY CLARK - June 11, 2015 at 03:29 PM