



Sarah Ball

June 27, 1951 - May 23, 2025

PRINCETON – Sarah Elizabeth Ball, 73, of Princeton, passed away Friday, May 23, 2025. Born June 27, 1951, in Washington D.C., she was the daughter of the late Bocie Taft Barbour and Mary Elizabeth Pennington Barbour.

Sarah was a member of Maranatha Baptist Church in Princeton where she loved to sing. She was a former unit clerk at Princeton Community Hospital. Most of her life, she was a homemaker who loved her family well. She enjoyed taking trips with her family, especially camping and to the beach. She also volunteered at Princeton Healthcare Center. She loved to read, watch movies, and play games on her Kindle. She taught all the grandchildren to play cards; especially Skip-Bo, Rummy, Spades and Poker. She enjoyed dancing and was an excellent flat-footer. She thoroughly enjoyed eating Chinese food and drinking blue Slushies.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband Howard Ball, sister, Judith Hall; and brother, John Barbour.

Survivors include children; Mary Melcher and husband Daniel of Graysville, AL, Katrina Tickle and husband Benjamin of Princeton, and Daniel Akers and wife Tammy of Princeton; grandchildren, Aaron Akers and wife Justine, Joshua Powell, Austin Mathena, Haley Wellman and husband Jered, Jacob Akers, Morgan Gross and husband Zach, and Caleb Akers; great-

grandchildren, Tremonti, Harmonie, Gabriel, Aria, and one on the way, Tucker; first husband and father of her children, Otis Akers of Vance, AL; sister, Juanita Davis of Princeton; sister-in-law, Debra Barbour; a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins; and her life-long friend of over 44 years, Shirley Miller.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Roanoke Carilion and Hospice Amedisys for their excellent care of their mother.

Funeral Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, May 30, 2025 at Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with Pastor Justin Hall, officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton. Friends may visit from noon until the service hour.

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

MAY 30. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home
1612 Honaker Avenue
Princeton, WV 24740
(304) 425-8176
info@bailey-kirk.com
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Funeral Service

MAY 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sarah Ball



Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home - May 30, 2025 at 01:25 PM

MM

Miss you Mother!! 😞

Mary Melcher - June 02, 2025 at 10:05 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Sarah Ball.



May 29, 2025 at 07:16 AM

AH

“ Aaron, Justine, Tremonti, Harmonie, Aria purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Sarah Ball.



Aaron, Justine, Tremonti, Harmonie, Aria - May 26, 2025 at 08:36 PM

AH

“ Aaron, Justine, Tremonti, Harmonie, Aria planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Ball.

Aaron, Justine, Tremonti, Harmonie, Aria - May 26, 2025 at 08:36 PM

MT

“ Sarah was a beautiful lady. I met her at PHCC when she volunteered. We shared the love of reading the Inspired Books. To Katrina and the family you all are in my prayers. Mabel

Mabel Thompson - May 26, 2025 at 11:28 AM

BH

“ Brenda Hall lit a candle in memory of Sarah Ball



Brenda Hall - May 25, 2025 at 04:10 PM

CC

“ Connie Cook lit a candle in memory of Sarah Ball



Connie Cook - May 25, 2025 at 04:07 PM

ST

“ *Sandra Mills Taylor lit a candle in memory of Sarah Ball*



Sandra Mills Taylor - May 25, 2025 at 11:20 AM

PS

“ *Fly high rest easy*



Pam Stephenson - May 25, 2025 at 09:59 AM

PS

Prayers for your family

Pam Stephenson - May 25, 2025 at 10:02 AM

RO

“ *Love and prayers to the family
Sarah you will be missed..thank you for being a big part of my life..*

rebecca ogle - May 24, 2025 at 09:51 PM

DM

“ *I always enjoyed hearing Sarah singing with her sisters in church ..Judy..Goodie..and Sarah..They were a blessing to their church family with their beautiful songs..I always called them the 3 sisters..Sarah will be missed by her church family and her loved ones ..Our deepest sympathy and sweet prayers 🙏🙏 David and Debbie Marquis*

debbie Marquis - May 24, 2025 at 03:17 PM