



## Wilma Jean Ray

July 4, 1931 - May 29, 2014

PRINCETON - Wilma Jean Holt Ray, 82, of Princeton died Thursday, May 29, 2014 at Bluefield Regional Medical Center. Born July 4, 1931 at Springton, WV, she was the daughter of the late George Allen Holt and Mary Elizabeth Surface Holt.

She was a member of the Rock Pentecostal Church in Lake Shawnee. She loved to sing and take care of her flower garden. Her greatest joy was spending time with her family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Hunter Ray; two grandchildren, Larry Shrader, Jr. and Kimberly Dawn Howard; one great grandson, Matthew Cardwell Lewis and thirteen brothers and sisters.

Survivors include eleven children, Nancy Meadows and husband Jerry of Pinoak, Michael Cecil and wife Cindy of Statesville, NC, Barbara Shrader and husband Larry of Princeton, Jeanette Asbury of Princeton, Patricia Neal and husband Michael of Princeton, Judy Basham and husband Steve of Princeton, Randy Cecil and wife Annette of Lake Shawnee, David Williams and wife Linda of Newport News, VA, Wallace Williams and wife Tina of Wytheville, VA, Allen Williams and wife Melissa of Lake Shawnee and Kathy Williams of Bluefield; special daughter-in-law, Donna Woodring Cecil of Princeton; thirty four grandchildren, fifty five great grandchildren, ten great great grandchildren

and two sisters, Eva Tingler and Joyce Bolen and husband Kepple, all of Coal City.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Monday, June 2, 2014 at the Rowland H. Bailey Funeral Chapel of the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with Rev. Randy Cecil, Wallace Williams and Rev. Margaret Holt officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton. Family will serve as pallbearers.

Friends may visit from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday, June 1 at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. To view a video tribute to Mrs. Ray or send the family online condolences please visit [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Memorial Gardens

450 Courthouse Road  
Princeton, WV 24740

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
info@bailey-kirk.com  
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

## Funeral Service

JUN 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wilma Jean Ray



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**Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home** - June 01, 2014 at 07:57 PM



“ Wilma Jean Ray

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December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ Judy, so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. We've been good friends all these years. I put Chris on our prayer list at church. Hope you're doing okay. Love you, Vanessa.

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**Vanessa Sheppard** - June 03, 2014 at 07:44 AM

RT

“ *What a woman of God! Wilma was an example of how each person should serve God. She served God with her whole heart. So Many wonderful memories of her. Had the pleasure to go to a McKameys concert with Wilma and Nancy years ago, sister McKamey walked off the stage singing and stopping at the row of seats we were at, the Holy Ghost was all over Wilma, sister McKamey stopped and they both were speaking in tongues. Wow what a role model Wilma was! In the eighteen years I was around Wilma you knew if she said she would pray for you she would. I pray God will wrap his arms around each of the family members in this trying time.*

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**Rhonda Taylor** - June 02, 2014 at 05:46 PM

BS

“ *she was always so beautiful she had a kind and gentle way ,our prayers are with the whole family Thinking of you all,,sincerly Brenda and Clarence Shrader*

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**Brenda Shrader** - June 02, 2014 at 09:02 AM

JP

“ *Jeffery & Jessica Poff lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray*



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**Jeffery & Jessica Poff** - June 02, 2014 at 08:40 AM

HH

“ *Prayers and condolences friends of Hub ham. Hazel n Bj and all farm friends.*

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**hazel hagerman** - June 02, 2014 at 07:59 AM

CC

“ I am very sorry to read of your family's loss. I hope you will find comfort in these promises from our Heavenly Father, the God of all comfort--Revelation 21:4, John 5:28,29.

christie c - June 02, 2014 at 07:17 AM

BM

“ When I met Mawmaw ray she hugged and welcomed me to the family. She always had a smile and hug and I know she prayed for me when I had my stroke. The love for her family was overwhelming and I am grateful for the time I had with her and this wonderful family.

Belinda Meadows ( Kevin's wife)

belinda meadows - June 01, 2014 at 10:09 PM

KM

“ Kevin And Belinda Meadows lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray



Kevin and Belinda Meadows - June 01, 2014 at 09:47 PM

SC

“ Judy, I did not know about your mother until I was talking with Georgia Lou Shrewsbury tonight. I am sorry about your loss. We hated to hear about Chris. I have tried to call you several times. If you have a chance call me. We will put him on our prayer list at church.

Sam & Maargaret Conner - June 01, 2014 at 09:47 PM

SM

“ Sharon & Mike lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray



Sharon & Mike - June 01, 2014 at 05:57 PM

NA

“ Barbara I am so blessed to have known wilma and her children growing up in weyanok she was very kind to all of us girls when I wa s there with diane love and prayers nancy ball akers



nancy ball akers - June 01, 2014 at 04:05 AM

JO

“ Condolence from India  
May Almighty God help the family members to overcome the period of grief  
We have a hope that we will see Wilma face to face in heaven



Pastor Joppachan samuel and family  
New Delhi

joppachan - June 01, 2014 at 03:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wilma Jean Ray.*



May 31, 2014 at 10:03 PM



“ *Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Wilma Jean Ray.*



May 31, 2014 at 12:22 PM



“ *GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THIS LOVELY LADY'S FAMILY.. WAS A WONDERFUL LADY TO EVERYONE,, HEAVEN GAINED A PRECIOUS ANGEL.. LOVE AND PRAYERS TO EACH AND EVERYONE.....*



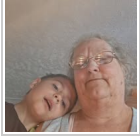
**WILMA ODELL** - May 31, 2014 at 09:35 AM



“ *Freda lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray*



**Freda** - May 31, 2014 at 08:50 AM



“ *Cindy Taylor lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray*



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**Cindy Taylor** - May 31, 2014 at 07:31 AM

LC

“ *So sorry for your loss, Wilma was a very sweet and kind lady, our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. I know she will truly be missed by all that knew and loved her.*



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**Loretta Cox** - May 31, 2014 at 06:41 AM

AM

“ *Arlene & Buddy Midkiff lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray*



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**Arlene & Buddy Midkiff** - May 31, 2014 at 06:38 AM

FW

“ *Frances & Cody Walker lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray*



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**Frances & Cody Walker** - May 31, 2014 at 06:08 AM

RC

“ *Wallace & Family,  
Lifting you and your family up and asking God to wrap you in His  
loving comfort. We love you guys and are so sorry for your loss.  
John & Reba Cress*

Reba Cress - May 31, 2014 at 05:49 AM

WT

*Thank you John and Reba...this was very thoughtful...we too love you  
guys and our Wonderful Church Family*

Wallace & Tina - May 31, 2014 at 07:30 AM

PP

“ *We are so sorry for your loss . You all are in our  
thoughts & prayers .  
Freddie & Pat ( Tucker ) Perdue*



Pat Perdue - May 31, 2014 at 03:18 AM

MM

“ *Wilma welcomed me in to her family when I was just a child. She  
was kind, loving and always ready with a hug every time I saw her.  
She will be greatly missed.*

Michael Murphy - May 30, 2014 at 10:01 PM

LB

“ *Judy and family, I cannot find the words to express how sorry I am  
for you loss. May you hold your most beautiful and precious  
memories in you heart forever. Love you.*

Lois Blankenship - May 30, 2014 at 09:23 PM

RR

“ *Wilma was a precious christian, she loved her Lord and her family. She is one that you never forget. She is with the one she has lived for all these years, singing in the heavenly choir, so to speak...*



Ruth Rhodes - May 30, 2014 at 08:16 PM

VA

“ *To the family of Wilma, I am praying for you all. I am so sorry for you r loss. With love, Natlie Walker Akers*



violet natlie walker akers - May 30, 2014 at 07:42 PM

BD

“ *Bev And Gary Davis lit a candle in memory of Wilma Jean Ray*



Bev and Gary Davis - May 30, 2014 at 07:39 PM

KW

*thank you Bev and Gary for coming I didn't get a chance to say that before you left...having friends like you guys there helped so much*

Kathy Williams - June 05, 2014 at 10:27 AM

MA

“ A beautiful lady inside and out! Wonderful memories of growing up in Weyanoke close to Wilma and her family! Many prayers for all of you during this loss!  
*Michelle Lawrence Angle*

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**Michelle Lawrence Angle** - May 30, 2014 at 05:05 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Wilma Jean Ray.



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May 30, 2014 at 03:22 PM

JP

“ Jeffery & Jessica Poff purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Wilma Jean Ray.



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**Jeffery & Jessica Poff** - May 30, 2014 at 01:06 PM

IM

“ Wilma Jean Holt Williams Ray. Eleven children, thirty four grandchildren, fifty five great grandchildren and ten great great grandchildren. What legacy you leave behind you. You will be sadly missed by so many more. I am so blessed to have known you, my sweet Wilma Jean. You loved me like your own as you did everyone you met. You walked the good walk, fought the good fight and always kept the faith. Now go rest in the arms of God. You will never be forgotten.

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**Ivy Williams Martin** - May 30, 2014 at 12:57 PM

TG

“ I am so very sorry for the families loss.. My heart is with each and everyone of you...I PRAY TO GOD FOR YOUR COMFORT...

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**teresa gilfilen** - May 30, 2014 at 12:48 PM

EB

*Judy and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Only the good Lord knows the whys, however He is gracious to give you so many family members to help support one another during the days ahead. I'll be praying for you dear friend. Love you!*

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**Emma Bennett** - May 30, 2014 at 05:47 PM

RI

*I am so sorry for your loss , God be with you all thru this difficult time !*

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**ritastables** - May 30, 2014 at 07:29 PM