



Katherine Smith Higgs

November 15, 1916 - October 17, 2017

Katherine S. Higgs passed away in her sleep early Tuesday morning, October 17, 2017. With her went the wisdom, grace and strength that could only be achieved by living 100 years. Mrs. Higgs was born in Fluvanna County, VA and moved to Toano as a child where she had been a lifelong resident. Mrs. Higgs retired from the Williamsburg James City County School Division in 1986 and was a member of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church since the late 1920s. Mrs. Higgs was an animal lover and enjoyed cooking, spending time with family and friends, and country music. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and community.

Mrs. Higgs was survived by her two sons, John Edward "Eddie" Higgs Jr., Earnest Howard "Earnie" Higgs; sister, Marie S. Belvin; nieces and nephews, Betty Jo Durrett, Paula Collett, Orlando "Lanny" Smith (Betty), Warren Smith (Kathy), Keith Smith (Lucy), Kim Ivey (Gordon), Angela Hicklin (Jeff), Dwayne Mullen (Sara), and Ellie Mullen; as well as many great nieces and nephews. Mrs. Higgs was preceded in death by her husband, John E. Higgs Sr.; parents, Mary Mabel Morris and William Smith; brothers, James, Edward, Earnest, Herbert and Carnell Smith; sister, Viola Smith; sister-in-law, Jo Smith; niece, Brenda Hockaday; nephew, Dale Belvin; and a great-nephew, James "Jim Bob" Smith.

The family will receive guests 6 to 8 pm, Thursday, October 19th at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th St., West Point. A graveside funeral will be held 2 pm, Friday, October 20th at Williamsburg Memorial Park.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel
417 11th St
West Point, VA 23181
(804) 843-2550

Graveside Service

OCT **20**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Williamsburg Memorial Park
130 King William Avenue
Williamsburg, VA 23188

Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt Kassy was a one-of-a-kind beautiful person. She loved people and they loved her. You could always go to her house for a wonderful home-cooked meal and a great conversation. She put other's needs before her own and gave people a sense of calm and comfort. I will love you always Aunt Kassy. I hope you are resting peacefully and will be happy and joyful for eternity.

Angela Hicklin - October 19, 2017 at 01:10 PM

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“ I learned one of my most important lessons of life on one of my visits to Aunt Cassie's home. Mom and I arrived for a visit just as Aunt Cassie pulled two scrumptious smelling pies out of the oven. They were sweet potato pies--my favorite (or so I thought) and I could not help looking at them with what I know must have been longing in my eyes. Finally, Aunt Cassie offered me a slice of pie. To my surprise, the pie was pumpkin, not sweet potato and not one of my favorites. From that day forth, I always remember to be careful for what you wish for because it may not be what you truly want or think it is! Aunt Cassie was a remarkable woman in so many ways and will be deeply missed.

Kim Smith Ivey

Kim Smith Ivey - October 19, 2017 at 09:10 AM

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Aunt Kassy thank you for taking good care of me you were the mother that I never had I will miss you love you BETTY Jo.

BETTY Jo durrett - October 19, 2017 at 10:45 AM

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Bye Bye Mama, hugs and kisses

Eddie - October 19, 2017 at 02:38 PM