



Marian Barbour Bell

July 8, 1945 - May 12, 2025

Marian Rosalind Barbour Bell was born on July 8, 1945 in Charles City, VA to the late Harvey and Rebecca Barbour. She is preceded in death by her sisters, Cynthia Jean Meachem, Eureka Francine (“France”) Miles, and Beatrice Geraldine (“Gert”) Jones, and her brother, Horace Barbour.

Marian gave her life to Christ at an early age, and was baptized at Parrish Hill Baptist Church where she was an active member until her health began to fail. At Parrish Hill Baptist Church, she was a member of the Willing Workers Club, and attended Sunday School. Marian graduated from Ruthville High School in 1963. She also attended Smith Madden Business School. Marian worked for The State of Virginia’s Department of Juvenile Justice for several years and retired in 2004. Prior to that, she was a substitute teacher in Charles City Public Schools.

Marian enjoyed spending time with her family and going to casinos with her husband. She often reminded others how blessed she was to have Rudy as her husband. She also found pleasure in supporting her children – always present at special events, supportive in helping them achieve their goals, and proud of their every accomplishment. She was fun-loving and embraced the role of “sheriff” after her mother’s death. She was a fierce protector of her family and loved ones. Her favorite people to hang out with were her sisters. The local sisters in Charles City were Marian, France and Gert. Where you

saw one, you often saw the other. They were fun loving and loved to dance! They were also mischievous in their own fun-loving way. Marian's smile would light up a room!

In retirement, she regularly watched soap operas, crime/detective shows, and game shows. In her latter years, her preferred shows were westerns – which drove her children crazy.

Marian is survived by her loving, patient husband, Rudolph ("Rudy") Bell, Jr., three children, Morlon Bell-Izzard (Jonathan), Marla Bell, and Marcus Bell, Sr. (T'na), five grandchildren Loren Izzard, Mara Izzard, Damon Lassiter, Marcus Bell Jr., and Mylin Bell, sister Lillian Barbour, brother-in-law Warren Bell (JoAnne), sisters-in-law Joyce Bell, Connie Barnes, Charmae Jackson (Melvin) and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She leaves us with loving memories that will be cherished forever.

A funeral service will be held 12 noon, Saturday, May 17, 2025, at Parrish Hill Baptist Church, 12401 John Tyler Memorial Highway, Charles City, VA 23030. A viewing will be held one hour prior to services. Interment to follow in the Union Cemetery, 7710 Courthouse Rd, Providence Forge, VA 23140.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery -

7710 Courthouse Rd
Charles City, VA 23030

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Parrish Hill Baptist Church
12401 John Tyler Memorial Highway
Charles City, VA 23030

Funeral Service

MAY 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

Parrish Hill Baptist Church
12401 John Tyler Memorial Highway
Charles City, VA 23030

Tribute Wall

RJ

“ Prayers to Marian Barbour Bell Family.

Loretta and Alfred Quarles, Jr.



R. Loretta Johnson-Quarles - May 29, 2025 at 07:22 AM

DD

“ Donna Brown Duncan lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell



Donna Brown Duncan - May 24, 2025 at 07:13 PM

BH

“ BERNICE HARRIS lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell



BERNICE HARRIS - May 21, 2025 at 01:00 PM

DB

“ *Bell & Barbour Families,*

*So sorry to hear of Ms. Marian's passing.
Praying for your peace and comfort.*

Ron & Dana Booker



Dana Booker - May 18, 2025 at 07:47 AM

BH

SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS KEEPIN YOUR FAMILY PRAYS

BERNICE HARRIS - May 20, 2025 at 10:53 PM

BH

so sorry for your loss

BERNICE HARRIS - May 20, 2025 at 10:59 PM

LJ

“ *Morlon, so sorry to hear of your mom's
passing, praying for you and the family.*



Lisa Jones - May 18, 2025 at 01:06 AM

VC

“ *Vaughan & Crystal Crawley lit a candle in
memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Vaughan & Crystal Crawley - May 17, 2025 at 02:40 PM

RW

“ Keeping you in our prayers.
Lester and Roberta Williams

Roberta Williams - May 17, 2025 at 02:21 PM

SJ

“ *Sandra Bowman Johnson lit a candle in
memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Sandra Bowman Johnson - May 17, 2025 at 01:41 PM

DP

“ *Rudy, Bell and Barbour Families*

*Condolences and prayers for your comfort on the loss of your lovely
wife, mother, and friend. God bless you all.*

Ruffin and Delcenia Prentiss

Del Prentiss - May 17, 2025 at 12:12 PM

MS

“ *Michelle Stidwell lit a candle in memory of
Marian Barbour Bell*



Michelle Stidwell - May 17, 2025 at 12:03 PM

JO

“ *Mr. Bell, Morton, Marla, Marcus and the rest of your family. Sorry for the loss of your wife and mother. She was a special person who will be missed. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.*

Jerry and Donna Overby

Jerry and Donna Overby - May 17, 2025 at 09:36 AM

DR

“ *Rudy, Morlon, Marla, Marcus and families we offer our deepest condolences in the passing of Marian. We have such wonderful memories of this beautiful woman-watching our daughters grow up together from kindergarten to college graduation, Marian and my husband sharing their love of dancing together on the dance floor and so many times being with the joyous trio (Marian, Francine and Gert). We pray that God's love will sustain you now and in the days to come.*



Love, Daryl and Melvin Robertson

Daryl & Melvjn Robertson - May 17, 2025 at 07:47 AM


AJ

Condolences and blessings to the family. Peace, Rev. Antionette Wallace Jackson

Antionette Jackson - May 17, 2025 at 12:15 PM

DR

“ *Dionne Robertson lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Dionne Robertson - May 16, 2025 at 08:38 PM

JL

“ *Jeanette Lassiter sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Jeanette Lassiter - May 16, 2025 at 08:20 PM

JL

I pray that you find peace in this hour. Mother Marian had a captivating smile, her Love for family was in her actions. A job well done Mr. Rudy, she Loved you with an ever lasting ❤️💕

Jeanette Lassiter - May 16, 2025 at 08:33 PM

IB

“ *Irving. Banks lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Irving. Banks - May 16, 2025 at 08:04 PM

HB

“ *Hattie Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Hattie Brooks - May 16, 2025 at 04:05 PM

HB

I've known Marion over yrs. and she was a very beautiful person. Along with her Better half they were a beautiful couple. We have nothing but Love for them and God just started his Spring garden and Marion will be a beautiful Rose along with her Mom in Gods Angels. Marion you are okay now and Rudy & the kids can just keep looking up and send you their LOVE. Take Your rest until we meet again. Love to the family Hattie&Girls.

Hattie Brooks - May 16, 2025 at 04:23 PM

MH

“ *Muriel Hedgepeth lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Muriel Hedgepeth - May 16, 2025 at 02:17 PM

TS

“ *Tonya Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Tonya Smith - May 16, 2025 at 09:54 AM

CM

“ *Such a sweet sweet person. I will miss you cousin Marian. Heaven has gained a sweet angel. RIP.*



Cheryl Barbour Myers - May 16, 2025 at 12:26 AM

MC

“ *That smile of hers could light up any room. Such a delight to be in her company. May it bring you peace and comfort knowing that prayers are being sent your way.*



Marilyn Brown Crump - May 15, 2025 at 09:43 PM

VG

“ *My Deepest Sympathy For Your Loss, Many Prayers. May The Peace Of Our Lord Rest Upon You And Your Family During This Challenging Time. Valerie Bowman Gardner*



Valerie Gardner - May 15, 2025 at 09:03 PM

AB

“ *Antoinette Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Antoinette Brown - May 15, 2025 at 08:11 PM

VB

“ *Vera Burrell lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Vera Burrell - May 15, 2025 at 07:57 PM

EG

“ *Elois Johnson Green lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Elois Johnson Green - May 15, 2025 at 10:36 AM

EG

*I regret the loss of your wife, mother, sister, neighbor and friend.
Hold on to God's unchanging hand,
Baby Lois*

Elois Johnson Green - May 15, 2025 at 10:39 AM

FC

“ *Fran J Canaday lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Fran J Canaday - May 15, 2025 at 09:55 AM

AB

“ *I will miss you Aunt Marian - you were the best! Love Love Love Love*

Allen Bell - May 15, 2025 at 09:49 AM

AB

“ *Angela S Greene And Floyd S Bowman lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Angela S Greene and Floyd S Bowman - May 15, 2025 at 09:41 AM

AJ

“ Anthony And Ebony Jones lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell



Anthony and Ebony Jones - May 15, 2025 at 08:57 AM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - May 15, 2025 at 06:55 AM

KF

“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss .What a wonderful, beautiful lady. Marian, Francine & Gert together again. I loved these ladies. Keep the memories in your hearts and God will give you a smile. Love you ALL.

Kendall, Sonia, Angie, James & family - May 15, 2025 at 05:26 AM

DA

“ Darlene Adkins lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell



Darlene Adkins - May 15, 2025 at 03:27 AM

CB

“ *Cecelia W Bradby sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Cecelia W Bradby - May 15, 2025 at 03:02 AM

LJ

“ *Condolences to the Bell/Barbour family*



lois jones - May 14, 2025 at 09:42 PM

DJ

“ *Delores B. Johnson lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Delores B. Johnson - May 14, 2025 at 08:49 PM

VG

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Rudy and the family. I was a classmate of Marian. She was always a lovely person with a bright smile. May God grant you much peace and comfort from loving memories.*

Veora Glenn - May 14, 2025 at 06:43 PM

HC

“ *Hugo Charity lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Hugo Charity - May 14, 2025 at 04:17 PM

EC

“ *To the family on Marion Bell my condolences for the lost of your mother and beloved wife. My prayers are with the family during this difficult time*

Earlene Crawley

Earlene Crawley - May 14, 2025 at 01:10 PM

CP

“ *Condolences to the family in this time of sorrow.*

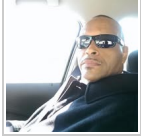


Charlotte Peterson - May 14, 2025 at 12:47 PM

JC

“ *Sending our heartfelt condolences to our cousins and we know that God gives his hardest battles to his toughest soldiers. Cousin Marian will be greatly missed but we know that she is reunited with our mother and her loved ones and she is at peace now.*

Julie and Sharon Christian - May 14, 2025 at 12:32 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family during this season of grief and sorrow. May God be a Comfort to you all*



Elwin Black - May 14, 2025 at 12:30 PM

CA

“ *Marla and Family,*

We are so sorry for your loss. Wishing you peace and strength during this difficult time.

Candy & John Percy



Candy - May 14, 2025 at 11:37 AM

AK

“ *Morlon and family,*

We are so sorry for the loss of your dear mother. we pray the lord comforts the family.

Abbie & Daniel Kalu



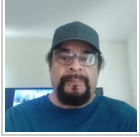
Abimbola Kalu - May 14, 2025 at 08:44 AM

WA

“ *Wanda Akrie-Feltus lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell*



Wanda Akrie-Feltus - May 14, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ *My condolences goes out to the Bell and Barbour family at this time.
Charles and Crystal Barbour*

Charles Barbour - May 14, 2025 at 01:51 AM

FB

“ *Marla and family,
We are so sorry for the loss of your dear
mother. Prayers are being lifted for your peace
and comfort.*

Felicia & Bert



Felicia & Bert Brown - May 13, 2025 at 10:41 PM

NP

“ *Marla, on behalf of the mother members of Jack & Jill of America
Inc. (Richmond Chapter), we stand with you in the loss of your dear
mother. Sending you light and love during this difficult time. Prayers
to you and your family.
Nikki A. Powell, President*

Nikki Adkins Powell - May 13, 2025 at 10:39 PM

KT

“ *Kenneth Tabb lit a candle in memory of
Marian Barbour Bell*



Kenneth Tabb - May 13, 2025 at 10:09 PM

RA

“ Prayers of comfort Rudy and family.

Rennie Allen - May 13, 2025 at 08:48 PM

CA

“ Condolences

Cynthia Graham Aaron - May 13, 2025 at 07:37 PM

CA

“ Cunthia Graham Aaron sent a virtual gift in memory of Marian Barbour Bell



Cunthia Graham Aaron - May 13, 2025 at 07:32 PM

SC

“ My heartfelt condolences to the family



Silene Crawley-Johnson - May 13, 2025 at 06:52 PM

GE

“ Gwen Ellyson lit a candle in memory of Marian Barbour Bell



Gwen Ellyson - May 13, 2025 at 06:31 PM