



Iva Mae Bryden

April 10, 1919 - August 23, 2015

Iva Mae Witt Bryden of Rock Hall, MD, died on August 23, 2015, at Manor Care Nursing Center in Fairfax, VA, at 96 years of age. She was preceded in death by her husband, Abner Walter Bryden, in 1989, and her granddaughter, Wendy Bryden, in 2005.

She was born in Rock Hall, MD, on April 10, 1919, and was the daughter of the late William Christian and Eolin Dorothy Witt. She was educated in the Seventh Day Adventist school system.

On Christmas day of 1937, she married Abner Walter Bryden. They resided in Rock Hall their entire lives. In 1938 they owned and operated the "Witt and Bryden Grocery Store." Together they later opened a furniture store, "Bryden's Furniture," in Rock Hall. They operated the store until Abner's death in 1989.

Mrs. Bryden was a lifetime member of the Rock Hall Seventh Day Adventist Church where she served and contributed in many capacities including being a longtime Adventist School Board member. She also kept close watch on town politics and attended most of the Town Hall meetings.

Friends will always be reminded of Iva Mae because of her delightful sense of humor. Many in Rock Hall can attest to that as they smile in remembrance

Mrs. Bryden is survived by her three children, William Thomas Bryden and wife Judith, Doris K. Stevens and husband Otey, and Donald Keith Bryden and wife Robin; six grandchildren, Tracy, Matthew, Keith, Jennifer, Kelly, and Macy; and eight great-grandchildren, Jaiden, Jordyn, McKenzie, Alivia, Tyler, Jackson, Emma, and Derrick. She also has many step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren. She was loved by many.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, August 30, 2015, at 1 p.m. with a viewing from 12 to 1 p.m. at the Rock Hall Seventh Day Adventist Church in Rock Hall. There will be a dinner at the Rock Hall Church following the interment at the Wesley Chapel Cemetery in Rock Hall.

Contributions in Iva Mae Bryden's name are welcome to the Rock Hall Seventh Day Adventist Church, P. O Box 477, Rock Hall, Maryland 21661.

Cemetery Details

Wesley Chapel Cemetery

6179 Rock Hall Road
Rock Hall, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

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

Rock Hall Seventh Day Adventist Church
21366 Sharp Street
Rock Hall, MD

Service

AUG 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

Rock Hall Seventh Day Adventist Church
21366 Sharp Street
Rock Hall, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Iva Mae Bryden*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - August 27, 2015 at 11:16 AM

GE

“ *Doris and family, found this a few years after you lost your mom. She and her mom, Great Aunt Aolin were wonderful women. Your mom's sense of humor could not be beat! Across the years and miles I send love from Littleton, NC. Cousin Gail Bennett Eichner. (We lost mom, May, 2009 and Uncle Buddy could not locate you and he a few years later).*

Gail Bennett Eichner - November 13, 2024 at 08:39 AM



“ *Iva Mae Bryden*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Iva Mae Bryden*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Iva Mae Bryden.*



August 28, 2015 at 09:37 AM



“ *Mommy, I miss you so very much but keep telling myself that you are now pain free. So far when I awaken and begin my day I still make plans to allow plenty of time for my daily visit with you. Then the reality of you being gone hits me.....again and again and again, Thank you for being my mother. My remembrances of you will keep me together and someday we will again be together. Your loving son, Billy.*

William Bryden - August 27, 2015 at 02:26 PM

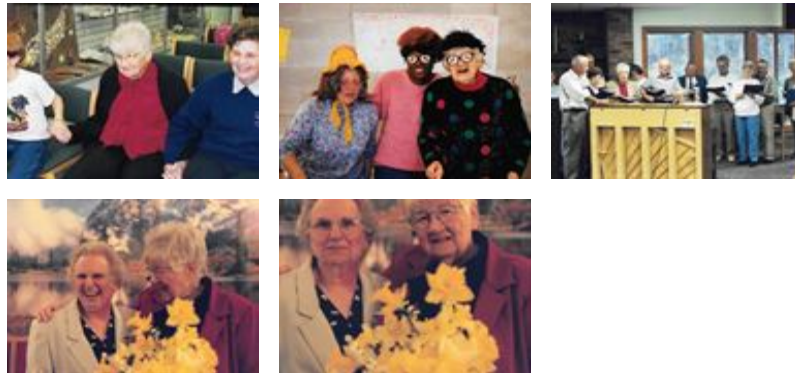


You are an amazing person Uncle Bill with A heart of gold! I'm so sorry I know your heart is broken you were Mommoms Rock! I love you very much.

Jennifer Bryden - August 27, 2015 at 09:14 PM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - August 27, 2015 at 11:03 AM

TR

“ Mom Mom I will always cherish all the memories we had together! You were there for me whenever I needed you. You were there when my boys Tyler and Jackson were born. We all loved spending time with you when you lived with us. You taught me the power of prayer! The late night talks we had are a memory never to be forgotten. You are the most amazing, kind wonderful grandmother anyone could ever have. I will always have a huge place in my heart for you. I love you so very very much. Rest in peace my dear Love
❤️❤️❤️❤️

Tracy - August 26, 2015 at 12:57 PM

TJ

“ This lady had such a profound impact on my life in the short time that we spent together. She taught me patience, kindness, gentleness and above all else, the power of forgiveness. I tried my best to give her a part of me in response, a part that was gentle, caring and loving. Thank you for sharing so much with me Mom Mom. I know that the Heavens are rejoicing that you have finally arrived! Rest easy my friend, I love you.

TJ - August 26, 2015 at 11:58 AM

GS

“ Sorry to hear of Mrs. Iva Bryden's passing.
Her husband, Uncle Abner & Aunt Iva was my
mother's, Laura M. (Bryden) Sappington,
cousin.

*Iva will never die as long as those whom she
loved never forget her*

*Glenn F. Sappington
Annapolis, Maryland*



Glenn F. Sappington - August 26, 2015 at 11:31 AM

GD

“ 5 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Glenda Dierker - August 25, 2015 at 02:53 PM

JB

“ I first met Iva Mae when she was in her seventies. I was a little anxious about meeting her but after a few minutes in her presence I knew I had a mother in law with a fantastic sense of humor and a good head on her shoulders! She loved life and the more chaotic the merrier. She went many places with us and we certainly did not have to worry about her keeping up with the rest of the group. Iva Mae was always the first to show delight in any trips we took with her. If we suggested that she rest for a while she would say, "lands sakes no, I might miss something" She was one of the kindest people I have ever known. If someone was disrespectful to her she would comment, "they must have had a bad day". I will try to continue as she did, in my life. Good by dear mother in law, wife, mother, grandmother and very good friend. Rest in peace.

Judy Bryden - August 25, 2015 at 01:29 PM

JC

“ Joy Wennerberg Conken lit a candle in memory of Iva Mae Bryden



Joy Wennerberg Conken - August 25, 2015 at 12:10 PM

SD

“ Sheila Blyman Dlugoborski lit a candle in memory of Iva Mae Bryden



Sheila Blyman Dlugoborski - August 25, 2015 at 10:50 AM

KD

“ At a church retreat, We did investment skit... I dressed as a man with hat and glasses and played accordion while she played a monkey collecting change from the congregation... I can not say who had more laughs!

She was always cheerful and kept a bag packed to be ready to go in an instant! She would say 'I have my go go shoes on'.

Until we meet again... I will cherish so many memories!

God bless Bill and family!

Kathy Dougherty - August 25, 2015 at 09:24 AM

CE

“ Charles & Donna Edwards lit a candle in memory of Iva Mae Bryden



Charles & Donna Edwards - August 24, 2015 at 05:18 PM

GD

“ 28 files added to the album New Album Name



Glenda Dierker - August 24, 2015 at 04:55 PM

KB

“ Karen Bigelow lit a candle in memory of Iva Mae Bryden



Karen Bigelow - August 24, 2015 at 12:36 PM

KB

Donnie, so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. She was a special lady and I know you're really going to miss her.

Karen Bigelow - August 24, 2015 at 12:37 PM