



## Nelda V. Bigelow

January 31, 1928 - April 19, 2014

Nelda Virginia Bigelow passed peacefully in the presence of loved ones on April 19, 2014, at the age of 86. She was born in Rock Hall, MD, on January 31, 1928, to the late Noble and Mildred (Rollison) Jones. She was preceded in death by her husband, David Wesley Bigelow, and a daughter, Carla Dawn Bigelow.

Nelda's entire life was lived in Kent County. A 1944 graduate of Rock Hall High School, she continued to plan functions for her graduating class until 2000. Nelda's first job was that of a seamstress for the Rock Hall Shirt Company. She retired from employment with the Chestertown Social Services office at the age of 85.

Nelda was a devoted member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Rock Hall. Throughout the years, she drove the school bus to and from the Adventist school once located in Barclay, MD. She supervised the Sabbath School program and worked with others to ensure the success of various church programs and traditions for decades. She maintained life-long friendships with many people in her church family.

Nelda found comfort in biblical scripture, such as John 14:1-3, Revelations 21:4, the 23rd Psalm, and Psalm 91:11. She loved people. She developed deep friendships with co-workers and in the larger community. She wrote and

received letters from pen pals until the last week of her life.

She is survived by her daughter, Vail Mason, as well as her grandchildren, Megan Mason, Brittany Mason, Bethany Mason, Michael Hildebrand, Erik Hildebrand, and Tiffany Huberts. She is survived by two great-grandsons, Joshua Rhein-Davis and Levi Huberts.

A Celebration of Life for friends and family of Nelda will be held at the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 9, 2014, following a private interment.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Rock Hall Seventh Day Adventist Church, P.O. Box 477, Rock Hall, MD, 21661 and/or to the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company, P.O. Box 577, Rock Hall, MD, 21661.

## Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### **Celebration of Life**

MAY 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company  
21500 Rock Hall Ave  
Rock Hall, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nelda V. Bigelow*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Nelda V. Bigelow*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Nelda V. Bigelow*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I have known Miss Nelda my entire life. First as Vail's mother and then as a co-worker at the Kent County Department of Social Services. As a child I used to play dress up with Vail at her house. Miss Nelda can only be described as "sweet". She made friends with many and was a good friend to many. It didn't matter your age, she made you her friend. She will be missed by many. My thoughts are with you. May your memories carry you through this difficult time. Fondly, Gail Kendall Claggett*

**Gail Kendall Claggett** - May 09, 2014 at 10:56 AM



*Thank you, Gail.*

**Mike and Kathy** - May 10, 2014 at 09:25 PM

VM

*Thank you so much Gail. I have lots of fond memories of growing up with you too.*

vail mason - May 12, 2014 at 10:44 AM

GC

“ *Gail Kendall Claggett lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



Gail Kendall Claggett - May 09, 2014 at 10:46 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about her death. She will be missed. With great sympathy. Sandra*



Sandra Crawford - April 28, 2014 at 08:18 AM

KA

*Thank you, Sandra*

Kathy - May 02, 2014 at 06:37 PM

NH

“ *Nancy Hubbard lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



Nancy Hubbard - April 26, 2014 at 07:46 AM

JD

“ Jane And Franklin Dill sent a virtual gift in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow



Jane and Franklin Dill - April 26, 2014 at 07:26 AM

JD

Michael and Family  
We are so sorry about your Grandmother. Prayers be with you all. The Dill's

Jane and Franklin Dill - April 26, 2014 at 07:28 AM

KA

Thank you for your gift. Grandma was always trying to raise money for others.

Kathy - May 02, 2014 at 06:39 PM

JH

“ To Nelda's loved ones,  
It was with great sadness I learned of Nelda's death.. You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of such a great little lady. I met Nelda through a mutual friend. Nelda was such a joy to be around and I enjoyed her company so much.. She will be greatly missed by so many..  
In sympathy,  
Joyce A. Hollingsworth  
Queen Anne, Maryland



Joyce Hollingsworth - April 24, 2014 at 10:22 AM

KA

Thank you, Joyce

Kathy - May 02, 2014 at 06:40 PM

SM

“ Susan Martinez lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow



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**Susan Martinez** - April 24, 2014 at 07:40 AM

DD

“ Debbie Dalrymple lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow



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**Debbie Dalrymple** - April 23, 2014 at 12:08 PM

DD

“ Sending thoughts, prayers and sympathy to Mrs. Nelda's loved ones. I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Nelda when I started work at Kent County Dept. of Social Services. She was one of a kind and will be missed.



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**Doria Douglas** - April 23, 2014 at 10:04 AM

MI

Thank you, Doria

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**Mike** - April 23, 2014 at 02:50 PM

JF

“ I am sending my deepest sympathy to Mrs. Nelda and her family. I am an employee of Kent County Dept. of Social Services. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

Joyanne D. Foreman

Joyanne D. Foreman - April 23, 2014 at 09:54 AM

KA

We agree! Thank you.

Kathy - April 23, 2014 at 02:56 PM

LW

“ I send my deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs Nelda. I was a co-worker at Kent Co. Dept. of Social Services. She will be greatly missed. Wishing the family peace and comfort in your time a sorrow.



Lakala Whaley - April 23, 2014 at 06:31 AM

KA

Thank you so much.

Kathy - April 23, 2014 at 02:55 PM

SJ

“ Suzanne Jackson lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow



Suzanne Jackson - April 23, 2014 at 03:26 AM

JE

“ *Jo Ann Edwards lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Jo Ann Edwards** - April 22, 2014 at 03:46 PM

VM

*Thank you Jo Ann. My mom enjoyed working with your family. She was always pleased when you would stop by.*

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**vail mason** - April 26, 2014 at 07:07 PM

DO

“ *Doris And Dennis Olsen lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Doris and Dennis Olsen** - April 22, 2014 at 03:31 PM

LW

“ *Linda Webb lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Linda Webb** - April 22, 2014 at 03:02 PM

LW

*From Linda Webb - on behalf of Nelda's friends and colleagues at the Kent County Department of Social Services.*

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**Linda Webb** - April 22, 2014 at 03:04 PM

VM

*Thank you for all of your kind words. My mom enjoyed working with all of you. Vail*

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**vail mason** - April 23, 2014 at 08:17 PM

CB

“ *I send my deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs Nelda. I was a co-worker at Kent County Social Services. I will never forget that smile and those warm hugs that Mrs Nelda had to offer. She was such a sweet person. I will never forget her. Mrs. Nelda will always be in my heart.*

*~Chamine Brooks~*

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**Chamine Brooks** - April 22, 2014 at 07:56 AM

KA

*Thank you, Chamine. She really enjoyed working with you all.*

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**Kathy** - April 22, 2014 at 02:48 PM

JH

“ *I was a co-worker of Ms. Nelda at Social Services. Ms. Nelda was such a lovely person. I am very fortunate to have gotten to know her. We used to talk about our cats a lot and she once gave me a Willow Tree angel that was holding a cat. Ms. Nelda is that angel now. I will miss her sweet smile and caring soul. My condolences to her family.*

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**Jennifer Houser** - April 22, 2014 at 07:42 AM

KA

*We appreciate you for saying that!*

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**Kathy** - April 22, 2014 at 02:50 PM

SM

“ *Susanne Matthews lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Susanne Matthews** - April 22, 2014 at 07:34 AM

SM

*So sorry for you loss. My prayers are with you. She was a great person and will be missed by all.*

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**Susanne Matthews** - April 22, 2014 at 07:36 AM

VM

*Thank you. Vail*

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**vail mason** - April 23, 2014 at 08:18 PM

BC

“ *I am so sorry to hear that Nelda passed away. We had some good times together, and I know her and Phyllis Brown are having a great time up there. I will really miss her and I know her Church will also. She was a wonderful caring person. Bonnie Chaires*

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**Bonnie Chaires** - April 22, 2014 at 06:48 AM

MI

*Thank you!*

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**Mike** - April 22, 2014 at 08:45 PM

VM

*Thank you Bonnie. She enjoyed the time she spent with all of you. You gave her many happy memories, Vail*

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**vail mason** - April 23, 2014 at 08:19 PM

KH

“ *Krystal Herring lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**Krystal Herring** - April 22, 2014 at 06:32 AM

RB

“ *Rudolf Bitter lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**Rudolf Bitter** - April 21, 2014 at 08:39 PM

TJ

“ *Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell** - April 21, 2014 at 06:16 PM

BB

“ *Brenda Biddle lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**Brenda Biddle** - April 21, 2014 at 05:54 PM

BB

*Nelda was a wonderful lady with a great sense of humor.. She will be missed*

**Brenda Biddle** - April 21, 2014 at 05:55 PM

CC

“ *Charles Carter lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**Charles Carter** - April 21, 2014 at 03:34 PM

RO

“ *RJ & Kristi Osborn lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**RJ & Kristi Osborn** - April 21, 2014 at 02:34 PM

RJ

“ *Robin Jamar lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



**Robin Jamar** - April 21, 2014 at 12:37 PM

LV

“ *Libby Vansant lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Libby Vansant** - April 21, 2014 at 12:02 PM

CM

“ *Charles And Sue Mench lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Charles and Sue Mench** - April 21, 2014 at 10:47 AM

IM

“ *Irene Mench lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Irene Mench** - April 21, 2014 at 10:46 AM

PC

“ *Peggy Clothier lit a candle in memory of Nelda V. Bigelow*



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**Peggy Clothier** - April 21, 2014 at 09:10 AM