



Sister Louise "Pie Lady" York

December 20, 1926 - December 2, 2016

Minnie Louise Douglas Wheeler York, age 89, of Bedford County, left this world to be with the Lord Jesus (She was known as the "Pie Lady").

She was the daughter of the late Horace Maynard Douglas, Sr. and Birdie Mai Pruitt, of Bedford County. She was the oldest and last surviving child of her three siblings: sisters Mary Frances Moore, of Bedford County and Grace (Leona) York, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; brother, Horace Maynard Douglas, Jr., of Bedford County.

She loved the Lord with all her heart and soul; loved going to church, revivals, and praising the Lord! She witnessed and prayed for many souls on her pie route and daily living. She was always a hardworking lady, devoted wife and mom.

She loved picking blackberries and making home made Holiday Cakes.

Her loving husband, Avery James York, and she, were married for 54 years when he left to be with the Lord, December 23, 2005.

She is survived by two daughters, Laura York, of Bedford County and Clara Lou Wheeler Hayes, of the Laws Hill Community; one grandchild, two great grandchildren, and a great great child coming soon. Also left are two very

special souls that have been her chosen family, Joan Docekal, of Coffee County, and Frances Hayes, of Bedford County.

Graveside services will be 3 PM Sunday, December 4, 2016, at Willow Mount Cemetery. Brother Rannie Moore and Brother Wade West will officiate.

There will be no visitation.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

KR

“ I remember coming through the lobby one day, (at Lynchburg Nursing Center) and finding Miss Louise and Laura having cake. I asked "Is it your birthday, Miss York?" She lit up the room with her beautiful smile, and said yes it was indeed her birthday, but she also asked if I would like to join them for cake. My diabetes made me decline the cake, but I did stay and talk a while. I think that visit meant more to her than a million dollars would have! Every person that walked into that lobby was offered some cake and a visit! I would have loved to have known her when she was able to get around a little better, and I'm sure that she was a blessing to many!
-Kelly Rogers

Kelly Rogers - March 20, 2017 at 02:25 PM

RC

“ So very sorry for your loss Laura.

Rosie Calfee - December 16, 2016 at 08:44 PM

RC

“ Rosie Calfee lit a candle in memory of Sister Louise "Pie Lady" York



Rosie Calfee - December 16, 2016 at 08:43 PM

NC

“ Laura,
Rodney & I are So Very Sorry for Your Heartfelt Loss! Nothing can ever take the place of a Mother & Daughter relationship, Especially with how close you & your Mom were. I know you lovingly dedicated your life to her these past years. The loss you feel is beyond words & comprehension. I know God can supply Comfort & Strength that is needed in this time of loss. I Pray your memories will bring Laughter & Tears for years to come! Your Mom is not really gone. She is in You! Her many words of wisdom, her example of giving to others, her prayer life, her love for God, her talent making pies, her caring ways of reaching out to others in need, all of these are in you! She lived a life that showed not only you but many others how to live life fully with love & happiness. She loved you Very Much! Hold tight to that love & feel the happiness she wanted for you as hard as that might seem right now. Our Love & Prayers!

Rodney & Nancy



Nancy Carter - December 15, 2016 at 03:14 PM

DB

“ Laura,

So saddened to hear of the loss of your Mom. I am thinking of you and pray that Gods peace will comfort and shelter you during this time.

In deepest sympathy,
Debra Boyd

Debra Boyd - December 07, 2016 at 03:47 PM

BG

“ *We pray to the Lord for her soul.*

Bk Goswami - December 05, 2016 at 09:16 AM

VC

“ *From the first moment that I met Mrs. Louise, I felt like family. She was so loving, funny and just made me feel comfortable. I always saw her as having so much energy. All those wonderful pies she made, brought a lot of joy to many! She has always been an inspiration to me as one who sincerely and enthusiastically loved God. In addition she had a strong prayer life. I'm sure that being on prayer list has helped me much more than I will ever know. Laura, now you are in my prayers. Your love and dedication to your Mom is exemplary and touching. I hope you will find comfort in all the years of love that you shared and in many good memories. I thank God for both you and your parents.*

Victoria Casey

Victoria Vijaya Casey - December 04, 2016 at 09:16 PM

JD

“ *Mama Duck ,as I came to know you, Sister Louise, you are a fine example of Jesus, always stopping to witness, to pray for, or to give a comforting smile, just as you needed one, thank you for your inspiration, and guidance, and I have in your daughter, a reflection of that Godly love, which I am forever grateful to you for her association! see you on the other side,heartfully, joan docekal*

joan docekal - December 04, 2016 at 01:26 PM

JY

“ Laura, I send my sincere condolences to you on the loss of your precious mother. I know how close the two of you were, and her loss creates a huge void in your heart. She was very fortunate to have you, Joan, and Frances to comfort and care for her daily. Find comfort in the fact that she has reached her goal of eternity with her Lord. With deepest sympathy.....Jeff Yoes

Jeff Yoes - December 03, 2016 at 08:43 PM

WL

“ What a blessing to know Ms Louise! I also had the pleasure of eating some her fried pies! I also was blessed to have her pray for me every single morning and evening--an amazing prayer warrior she was! It has also been an honor to watch Laura be the most amazing, attentive daughter. I love them both!

Warren Langworthy

Warren Langworthy - December 03, 2016 at 04:57 PM

JF

“ Laura, May you find comfort in knowing that your mother is now with her Lord and Savior. Blessings to you as you travel this journey...Julie Hutson Foreman

Julie H. Foreman - December 03, 2016 at 12:07 PM

NS

Although I personally did not get to meet this lady who obviously inspired so many others, I have talked to her daughter Laura on many occasions. Hearing the love and affection she had for her mom, I know that will carry on through the years until they meet again. Good Bless you and comfort you until that time.Nancy Smith, The Dove Lady

Nancy Smith - December 05, 2016 at 03:10 PM

GR

Laura,

Let me offer you my condolences to you and your family and friends who would be mourning the loss of your dear mother. Over the years I had come to know your relationship with your mother and the kind of loving care you offered her in her last years of life.

I'm sure that she has completed her sojourn here in this world and now is the time for you to allow yourself the grief, the sorrow, and the pain arising from this loss. But please know that this grief, sorrow and pain is commensurate with the degree to which your mother has been an inseparable part of your heart . . . Alas, she will always be with you but now in a different way. Learn this way and your sorrow will go away!

*With affection and care,
Garuda Das*

Graham - December 08, 2016 at 08:57 AM

KM

Laura, I never met your mother, but I felt connected because of the prayers we shared (the white horse for me, peace and comfort for her) and I heard her voice through the phone when she would call you. Hearing those conversation was a beautiful and inspiring model of the love, caring and bond between mother and daughter. You and your mother gave each other the greatest gifts, and you blessed others with that example. I know the coming times will be hard, as you get used to her absence from this world. With time--and from my own experience I know it takes time--I hope you will find that her presence in your life has expanded to a new form. Christ died to bring new life!

Kathryn Mills - December 10, 2016 at 10:55 AM

MG

Laura, I just learned today of the passing of your mother. I once heard someone say that it's not death that brings us the greatest loss in life, but all that dies inside of us. As life goes on, I hope that you will find ways to celebrate the memory of your devoted mother. I know she would want us all to live every day to the fullest and continue the celebration of her contagious love for life. May time speed your healing.

Mike Greene

Mike Greene - December 14, 2016 at 03:18 PM