



Venna Ruth Thacker Francis

October 9, 2017

Pikeville, Kentucky

Venna Ruth Thacker Francis, 76, passed away on Monday, October 9, 2017. Venna worked for the Department of the Navy for 30 years. She was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was someone many people depended on, family, friends, or strangers. She loved unconditionally. Venna was preceded in death by her previous husband, Richard A. Thacker, Jr. and granddaughter, Addison Ruth Douglas.

Venna is survived by her husband, John Francis; daughters, Leesa Payne and husband Glen of Maryland, Cindy Douglas and husband Todd of Maryland, Krista Rudd and husband Michael of Virginia; grandchildren, Amanda Barnhard and husband Blair, Nathan Rudd, Brady Rudd, Connor Douglas; great-grandchildren, Brendan Rudd and Brody Barnhard; sister, Mary Roark; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, October 12, 2017 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Roy A. Green Funeral Home, Appalachia, VA. Funeral services will be conducted at 7 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Alan Collier officiating. Committal services will be held at 11 a.m. in the Powell Valley Memorial Gardens mausoleum. Family and friends are asked to meet at the cemetery. In Lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association or Shriner's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Powell Valley Memorial Gardens

Big Stone Gap, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Roy A. Green Funeral Home
317 Kilbourne Ave.
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Service

OCT **12.** 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Roy A Green Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis

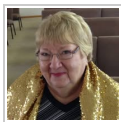


Roy A Green Funeral Home - October 12, 2017 at 06:32 PM



Awww Cindy what a beautiful tribute to your Mom💜 It seems like she did a lot of happy living. The pictures of her with Connor are just so sweet. I know the huge void you are feeling💔 and only time will make it better. Love to you and your family

Valerie Felter - October 18, 2017 at 11:39 AM



Beautiful...thanks for sharing. Still seems so unreal.

Diana Krop - October 18, 2017 at 03:16 PM

DO

Cindy, this was such a beautiful Video and Celebration Of Vinna's life! She had so many friends and was loved by all! I just found this on here! I miss and loved her so much. My sister Phyllis, one of her best friends who went to school with her, another best friend of her's Louella and I went out to meet her in Ky and had lunch a few times! She looked so beautiful and it really shocked me when God called her Home too. I don't know if you ever heard, but Phyllis went to be with the Lord on last month on 12/23/2018. She found out she had Pancreatic and Liver Cancer and lived 6 weeks! It has torn a big piece of my heart out losing my only daughter Candy on Christmas Morning of 2012 from 13 years of MS and then 6 years later Phyllis passed life Vienna, very unexpectedly! My thoughts and prayers go out to you and ALL your family, I Loved her so very much! 🌸😭💔🙏

Darlene Owsley - January 25, 2019 at 12:55 AM



“ *From the first day we met we welcomed you with arms wide open. Now there is an empty space in our ❤️. Till we meet again.*



Jonathan Kelly - October 16, 2017 at 10:12 PM

JC

“ *Julie & Sandy Clifford purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis.*



Julie & Sandy Clifford - October 13, 2017 at 11:01 AM

IG

“ *Irene Ganginis lit a candle in memory of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis*



Irene Ganginis - October 12, 2017 at 10:49 PM

IG

“ *Oh my dears, I'm so very sorry for you loss. She was such a love. My best memory of Venna is her laugh. I just LOVED her laugh!!
xoxoxoxoxox*

Irene Ganginis - October 12, 2017 at 10:49 PM



“ *Many good memories and fun visits. I was so happy for you the last time . You were so happy about your upcoming marriage. Love to all the family,I wish I was able to make the trip. Love to all Aunt Clarice &Gigi*

Clarice Groseclose - October 12, 2017 at 08:53 PM



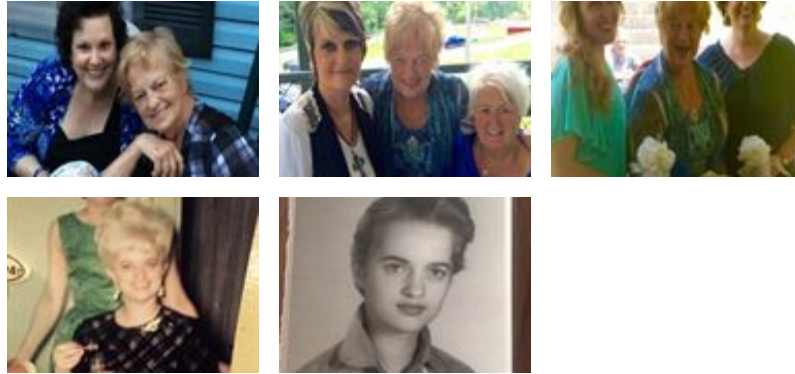
“ *Kenneth L Taylor lit a candle in memory of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis*



Kenneth L Taylor - October 12, 2017 at 12:16 PM



“ *57 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Roy A Green Funeral Home - October 12, 2017 at 12:16 PM

LK

“ *Linda Kimble lit a candle in memory of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis*



Linda kimble - October 12, 2017 at 10:31 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis.*



October 12, 2017 at 08:23 AM

RF

“ *Great lady Vee will be missed by all She in God's hands now, Walking on the streets of pure Gold*

Roger Francis - October 11, 2017 at 11:13 PM

RF

“ *Roger Francis lit a candle in memory of Venna Ruth Thacker Francis*



Roger Francis - October 11, 2017 at 11:09 PM

LK

“ vee was a very sweet woman.she will be greatly missed prayers for my brother & her family

Linda kimble - October 11, 2017 at 10:53 PM

MS

“ She was a wonderful lady! Thoughts An prayers for her family❤️



maria bentley stidham - October 11, 2017 at 10:43 PM

PF

Venna Was a wonderful friend, & sister in law October 19,2017

Patty Francis - October 19, 2017 at 12:48 PM