



## Velma Ruth Pennington

January 8, 1942 - August 29, 2015

Velma Ruth Pennington, 73, of Bruin, Pa., passed away at the Butler Memorial Hospital on Saturday evening August 29th following a lengthy illness.

Born in Kaylor, Pa. on Jan. 8, 1942, she was the daughter of the late Kenneth R and Myrtle Clare Weigle Hillwig.

She attended Kaylor Elementary School and graduated from East Brady High School in 1959. In later years, she attended classes at Butler Co. Comm. College and Slippery Rock University.

In early years, she attended the Berean Baptist Church at Kaylor, where she was involved with the youth group, taught Sunday School, and served as pianist.

Velma was a “stay-at-home” Mom until 1985. She devoted her time to family, church, and community. She was a Girl Scout leader for ten years, involved with Int’l. Order of Rainbow, Mother Advisor to Chicora Assembly (Rainbow) and member of the Advisory Board. She taught Sunday School and served as children’s dept. pianist at the then Martinsburg Presbyterian Church. She chaperoned many trips and activities when her children attended the Bruin school and Karns City High School.

She was employed at OPM-FIPC in Boyers from where she retired.

Velma enjoyed scrapbooking and researching family history (genealogy). She also enjoyed dining out with her family.

She was a member and past worthy matron of OES Chapter 60 of Parker, the

Martinsburg Church of Bruin, Brady's Bend Historical Society, and the Foxy Lodge of Red Hat Ladies.

She is survived by her husband, Robert L. Pennington whom she married Oct. 20, 1962; two daughters: Marilou (Tom) von Gunden of Cleveland, OH and Kathy (Tom) Wagner of Buffalo, NY; one son: Robert L. (Beth) Pennington of Bruin; three grandchildren: Rebecca Pennington, Thomas Wagner, Jr., and Caitlin Wagner; four sisters: Twila Williams of Kaylor, Doris (David) Bevington of Springville, NY, Anna (Carl) Emanuelson of Sugarcreek Twp., Pa., and Dixie Bryant of Kaylor; two brothers: Darrel (Margie) Hillwig of Bruin and Dean (Andrea) Hillwig of Kaylor; one sister-in-law: Carolyn Hillwig of Kaylor; twenty-one nieces and nephews.

In addition to parents, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Alex Pennington, and three brothers: Clyde Pennington and James (Jim) Hillwig and an infant brother.

# Tribute Wall

CR

“ Our deepest sympathy to Bob and entire family...(Mary Lou, Kathy, Robert) on the passing of Velma..Fond memories of Kathy and her coming to Casual Corner shopping...such a sweet lady and she will surely be missed....Keeping you all in our prayers..  
Cindy & Jim Rapp

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**Cindy & Jim Rapp** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

LC

“ You have my deepest sympathy. You are all in my thoughts and prayers during this time.

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**Lynn Campbell** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

LF

“ A candle was lit by Lynn Campbell and family  
on September 3, 2015 11:01 AM

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**Lynn Campbell and family** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

ES

“ A RAY OF SUNSHINE was ordered on September 2, 2015

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**Expression of Sympathy** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

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“ A SPATHIPHYLLUM was ordered on September 2, 2015

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**Expression of Sympathy** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

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“ *A DISH GARDEN WITH FRESH FLOWERS was ordered on September 1, 2015*

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**Expression of Sympathy** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

LM

“ *I worked closely with Velma at OPM and she was one very dear lady. She will be sadly missed. My Prayers and Sympathies to Bob and the family. She will always be in my thoughts and has left a legacy of a person who never gave up. God Bless!!*

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**Linda Mauthe** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

LT

“ *Sending our most sincere and heartfelt condolences in the loss of you dear loved one. She was such a sweet beautiful soul. Remembering you all in prayer as you grieve her passing. Special love and hugs to Anna and Carl.*

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**Larry and Mary Anna Truitt** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

LT

“ *A candle was lit by Larry and Mary Anna Truitt*  
  
*on September 1, 2015 9:38 AM*

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**Larry and Mary Anna Truitt** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

DS

“ *My deepest sympathy to the entire family on the recent passing of Velma. She had a tremendous impact on my life growing up from Girl Scouts to Rainbows, she was always willing to help others.*

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**Daryla (Pollock) Shreckengost** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

CH

“ I worked closely with Velma at OPM, and have many good memories. She was a great lady.

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**Chuck and Deb Hartman** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

KR

“ Dear Bob and family,  
You have our deepest sympathy!  
Ken and Nancy Rumbarger

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**KEN RUMBARGER** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

SW

“ Velma was like a second mom to us when we were growing up. So sorry to hear of her passing, I guess God needed another angel. Thoughts and prayers are with the family. May God bless and keep all of you!

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**Sue Wright** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM

LW

“ A candle was lit by Linda & Susan Wright  
on August 31, 2015 12:21 PM

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**Linda & Susan Wright** - January 15, 2019 at 01:04 PM