



Lillie Mae "Sis" Kemper Payne

January 17, 2023

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. sends condolences to the family of Lillie Mae "Sis" Kemper Payne.

Lillie Mae "Sis" Kemper Payne, 94 went to be with her Heavenly Father on Tuesday, January 17.

She is survived by four children, Steven Payne (Gail), Gael Payne Shaffer (Steve), Julia Payne Bowers (Scotty), Ellen Payne Kern (Steve), eight grandchildren, Zachary Payne (Nicole), Kavara Vaughn, Randall Vaughn, Douglas Kern (Amanda), Jared Comer, Lindsay Kern Minnick (Stephen), Lily Bowers, Peyton Maxwell Shaffer, and fifteen great grandchildren.

Lillie was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Helen (Ritchie) Kemper, her brothers, Harry, John, Robert, and Willard "Jim" Kemper, her sisters, Eulalia Kemper French, Dorothy Kemper, Helen Kemper Runion, her cousin, Virginia Kemper Hartman, and the father of her children, Herman Thomas Payne.

Born and raised in Loudoun County, Virginia, Sis helped care for her family and farm near Purcellville. Her mother told of picking violets on the winter morning that Lillie was born. After receiving an R.N. degree from Winchester Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in 1950, she relocated to care for patients, always rising to "Stat" situations, in Shenandoah, Page, Rockingham, Loudoun, and Albemarle counties before returning to Shenandoah Memorial from where she retired.

Lillie loved God, her family, music, and reading, and often spent time in nature. She taught her children faith, resilience, the value of education, and empathy - to always seek to understand others' circumstances. Caring for her grandchildren gave her immense joy in retirement.

Pressing on through Multiple Sclerosis with strength and courage, Lillie contently lived her later years at Skyline Terrace Nursing Home. In addition to providing exceptional care, staff members and physicians became dear friends who continued to treat her as a nursing colleague. In continual service as a nurse, Lillie donated her body for medical research.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Seven Bends Church, 1175 S. Hisey Ave., Woodstock, VA 22664

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home Inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch, Edinburg.

Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:12 -13 NIV

Tribute Wall



“ *Lillie Mae "Sis" Kemper Payne*

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ *Lillie Mae "Sis" Kemper Payne*

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy on your loss.*



Virgil & Phyllis Thorpe - January 26, 2023 at 07:32 AM



“ *My deepest sympathies to the family.*

Evelyn Barb - January 23, 2023 at 07:44 PM