



Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan"

July 21, 1933 - March 7, 2022

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. sends condolences to the family of Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan".

Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter, 88, passed away on March 7th surrounded by her children. She was born July 21st, 1933 in Woodstock, Virginia to the late Harry Stanford and June Crabill Bemis. Nancy graduated from Toms Brook High School in 1951. She was a member of Toms Brook United Methodist Church and actively attended Community Mission Church of the Brethren. Nancy enjoyed volunteering for her community. Many young women were influenced by Nancy as she was a Girl Scout member and leader for 30 years. Later in life, she volunteered by welcoming patients and their families as they entered Shenandoah Memorial Hospital at the front desk as well as the gift shop.

Nancy was married 55 years to the late Glenn "Jack" Painter. Together they lived on a farm in Toms Brook for over 50 years where they raised their four children. They moved to Woodstock in 2002 where they enjoyed a simpler life. In addition to caring for her family, Nancy enjoyed working at Ben Franklin, substituting in the school cafeteria, Par "T" Plus, and Dalke's Theater. She was quite the social butterfly and she never met a stranger. Nancy was often greeted with the nicknames "Nan-Nan" or "Momma" and a big hug. Her family was the light of her life. Nancy would share a picture or a story about them

with any opportunity.

Nancy is preceded in death by her parents and husband. She is also preceded in death by her son Craig Bemis Painter, daughter-in-law Joanne Coverstone Painter, cousin Joseph "JB" Crabill, and her beloved dog Pumpkin. She is survived by her three children: son Michael Painter and wife Patty of Strasburg, daughter Glenda Funk of Woodstock, and daughter Holly Markley and husband Darrin "Toby" of Edinburg. Nancy is also survived by her six grandchildren: Alicia Bly and husband Jeff, Gretchen Brill and husband Keith, Brigette Funk, Hunter Funk and wife Ginny, and Whitney and Tucker Markley. She is further survived by her great-grandchildren: Jaydn, Samantha, and William Bly, Karaline and Kerrigan Brill, and an exciting new addition in May.

All those who wish to pay their respects to Nancy and family may do so at Heishman Valley Funeral Chapel 14116 S. Middle Rd., Edinburg, VA 22824 on Thursday, March 10th from 6pm to 8pm for family night. A funeral service will be held at Heishman Valley Funeral Chapel on Friday, March 11th at 2pm. Graveside, following the service, will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Nancy's honor may be made to Woodstock Volunteer Rescue Squad or Community Mission Church of the Brethren, 50 Coffmantown Road, Woodstock, VA 22664.

Pallbearers will be Michael Painter, Darrin "Toby" and Tucker Markley, Hunter Funk, Keith Brill, Jeff and William Bly

Honorary pallbearers will be Kenneth "Monk" Jackson, David Gochenour, George Taylor, Becky Lytton, Peggy Crook, Ken Hunter, and Shirley Jett.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAR 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

Valley Funeral Service
14116 South Middle Road
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Tribute Wall



“ *Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan"* ”

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ *Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan"* ”

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ *To all of Nancy's family, we send our deepest sympathy. She was such an inspiration to everyone who met her. Always smiling and had something nice to say. She will be missed.* ”

Sidney & Adelene Allen

Sidney Allen - March 11, 2022 at 10:41 AM



Thank you Dad and Mom Allen-Holly

Holly Markley - March 12, 2022 at 02:29 PM



“ *Patty Brill lit a candle in memory of Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan"* ”



patty brill - March 10, 2022 at 03:17 PM

HM

Thank you

Holly Markley - March 12, 2022 at 02:30 PM

YF

“ *Your Urgent Care/Employer Health Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan".*



Your Urgent Care/Employer Health Family - March 10, 2022 at 01:08 PM

LC

“ *I remember how she was always friendly and a great daughter to her parents and she loved her family members. I was only related by way of a wife to her cousin, Mark Wayne Crabill (deceased 8/4/2018). Our visits to the “valley” included seeing her and Jack and her parents and the other Crabill relatives. She was a very caring and giving lady. She will be missed. Love to her family. Lynda Little Crabill*

Lynda Crabill - March 10, 2022 at 12:04 PM

CC

To all of Nancys family we send our deepest sympathy. She was always so friendly and we have alot of good memories over the years visiting Harry and June. To reach far back when our older son was quite young we visited your parents on the farm and your dad took Danny (our son) on the tractor for a ride. Danny was thrilled. I do believe that Aunt Oneida was there as well so that tells you how long ago it was.

Take care of yourselves and each other, In sympathy.

Chris and Biz Crabill

Chris Crabill - March 10, 2022 at 07:24 PM

HM

Thank you both

Holly Markley - March 12, 2022 at 02:31 PM

JR

“ *To Glenda, Mike, Holly and families, you are all in our thoughts and prayers. We will miss Nancy! In sympathy, cousins, Janice & Kenny*

Janice & Ken Ryman - March 10, 2022 at 12:02 PM

HM

Thank you

Holly Markley - March 12, 2022 at 02:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan".*



March 10, 2022 at 09:34 AM

JR

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Nancy she was such a inspiration to me and I know John loved her she was a great woman always upbeat just smiling all the time you will be missed Nancy God be with her family at this difficult time you all are in my heart and prayers we love you all, John and Judy Racey 🙏*

Judy Racey - March 10, 2022 at 09:19 AM

HM

Thank you

Holly Markley - March 12, 2022 at 02:33 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Nancy Ellen Bemis Painter "Nan-Nan".*



March 10, 2022 at 08:28 AM



“ *WILL MISS YOU MOM LOVE YOU SO MUCH*

MIKE PAINTER - March 10, 2022 at 08:07 AM



Your mother was such a delightful lady when her cousin Mark Wayne and I visited. I know she will be missed by all of her family. We also enjoyed our visits to your Bemis grandparents home and activities with them and other Crabill's. God bless you and the family.

Lynda Crabill - March 10, 2022 at 03:36 PM



“ *I remember Nancy as a fixture at Holly's high school events. 💜 She was always smiling and giving hugs to all the kids. Prayers of comfort for Holly and all of the family.*

Amy Costello Moore - March 10, 2022 at 07:18 AM



Thank you so much Amy.

Holly Markley - March 10, 2022 at 09:07 AM

WS

“ *Holly and family. Your Mom led such a wonderful life and I am glad to have been able to meet her. She certainly gave me the impression right away that everyone was her friend as soon as she met you. She now awaits all of you as she is with our Heavenly Father.*

Wayne Stewart - March 10, 2022 at 03:31 AM

HM

Thank you Wayne.

Holly Markley - March 10, 2022 at 09:09 AM

DS

Deepest sympathy and condolences to you Holly and your family. She was a terrific lady and she will surely be missed.

Debbie shrum - March 10, 2022 at 10:29 PM

HM

Thank you Debbie

Holly Markley - March 12, 2022 at 02:33 PM