



Melba Rae Melton

May 5, 1954 - November 6, 2024

Melba Rae (Hildreth) Melton 70, of Hurricane, WV entered the Gates of Glory on Wednesday November 6, 2024 after a long-fought battle with Breast Cancer.

Melba was born on May 5, 1954 in Clarksburg, WV to the late Dennis and Edice Hildreth. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Terry Lee Hildreth who died when he was five hours old.

Melba was a proud graduate of Roosevelt-Wilson High School Class of 1972, after graduation she obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from Fairmont State College and a Master's Degree in Reading from West Virginia University. Melba was a long-time educator who began her career in Harrison County, WV and served 40+ years in Kanawha County Schools.

Melba's love of Jesus Christ was the most important thing to her. She loved to read, paint, watch horse racing and cheer on the WVU Mountaineers. Melba also loved to support charitable causes that help animals and veterans.

She is survived by her two children: Hayley Tolley (Chris) and Raymond "R.J." Melton, II, (Krista); grandchildren: Reagan Jasper Tolley, Mallory Jo Tolley, Kellyn Marie Tolley, Lily Mae Melton and a host of extended family and friends.

Funeral Service for Melba will be 1:00 pm Saturday November 16, 2024 at Mount Vernon Baptist Church 2150 Mount Vernon Road Hurricane, WV with Rev. Ron McClung officiating.

Friends may visit with family one hour prior to the service at the church.

Melba's Burial will be 12:00 pm Monday November 18, 2024 at Shinnston Memorial Cemetery in Shinnston, WV.

Anyone wishing to leave an online memory may do so by visiting Melba's tribute page at: www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com.

Chapman Funeral Home 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane, WV 25526 is honored to serve the Melton family.

Cemetery Details

Shinnston Memorial Cemetery & Mausoleum

1359 S Pike Street
Shinnston, WV 26431

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mount Vernon Baptist Church
11220 Nuckols Road
Glen Allen, VA 23509

Funeral Service

NOV **16**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mount Vernon Baptist Church
2150 Mount Vernon Road
Hurricane, WV 25526

Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Hayley Tolley - December 03, 2024 at 12:38 PM

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Javier Lara flores - September 15, 2025 at 08:44 AM

JB

“ *jan bowman lit a candle in memory of Melba Melton*



jan bowman - November 15, 2024 at 11:47 AM

JB

“ I hardly know where to begin to express my sympathy . Melba became part of our lives through our precious brother Rusty. They were good friends and we became friends with her too. We shared laughs of trick or treat time, playing card games or board games on game nites . Words of comfort to one another . She and I both loved going to the movies and we would go together sometimes. I’m going to miss her! Often we ate holiday meals together and celebrated birthdays! I think of her and Rusty and how they have met in heaven and are having a grand celebration. I know her body is healed and the only scars in heaven are in the hands of the One who holds her now! Heaven is sweeter now! Thank you Melba for your friendship and girl I miss you already. Jan Bowman

jan bowman - November 15, 2024 at 11:45 AM

KE

“ Kanawha Co. Retired School Employees lit a candle in memory of Melba Melton



Kanawha Co. Retired School Employees - November 14, 2024 at 05:38 PM

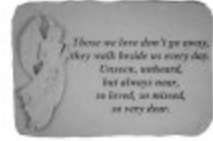
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“ The West Virginia and Kanawha County Associations of Retired School Employees extend their sincere sympathy to you, the family, in your sorrow. Blessings to all.

Kanawha Co. Retired School Employees - November 14, 2024 at 05:38 PM

KC

“ *Kathy & Danny Good and Kassie Corica purchased the Garden Accent - "Those we love don't go away..." for the family of Melba Rae Melton.*



Kathy & Danny Good and Kassie Corica - November 12, 2024
at 06:26 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Melba Rae Melton.*



November 12, 2024 at 11:23 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Melba Rae Melton.*

November 12, 2024 at 11:23 AM