



Nell Duty Tackett

October 19, 1925 - May 23, 2024

Nell Duty Tackett of Manassas, VA passed away peacefully with family at her side on May 23, 2024, at the age of 98. Nell was born to a large and loving family in Grundy, VA, in 1925. As was common in those days, she left school in the 5th grade to help care for her ailing father and work the family farm. In 1944, Nell met and married Asa Tackett after a whirlwind eight-day courtship.

Upon Asa's return home from the European Theater of World War II, they spent several years in southwest Virginia before relocating to Cleveland, OH, Springfield, VA, and then finally settling in Manassas in 1965, where Nell continued to raise her family of three girls.

Nell worked for Prince William County Public Schools for over 20 years. She then worked at the Apple Tree Pre-School for another 19 years before finally retiring at age 90. Nell was an active member of Soul's Harbor Church of God for over 30 years and attended services every Sunday and Wednesday. She was also physically active well into her 90's, and loved to walk the length of Manassas Mall in the early mornings before the stores opened. "Granny," as she was affectionately known by, was famous for her home-cooked family dinners which took place after church every Sunday. She took great pride in all her cooking, but she took special satisfaction in watching every single deviled egg disappear over the course of a meal.

Nell was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 53 years, Asa; her parents, William and Bitha (Church) Duty; brothers: Dave, Clyde, and Laddis; sisters: Alice, Pearly, Georgie, Callie, and Evelyn.

She is survived by her three daughters: Linda (Randy) West, Lexie Tackett, and Nancy (Peter) Popsuy; grandchildren: April West, DeAnna (David) Doucette, Daniel (Allison) Popsuy, and Natalie (Enrico) Popsuy-Rabe; and great-grandchildren: Dakota Walker, Cassandra Frost, and Theodore and Emily Popsuy.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 28th, 2024, at the Pierce Funeral Home in Manassas, VA from 10:30-12:30, with the funeral service commencing at 12:30 PM. Interment will immediately follow at 2:00 PM in the Stonewall Memory Gardens, located near the Manassas Battlefields.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in the name of Nell Tackett can be made to Soul's Harbor Church of God of Manassas, VA.

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 28. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
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Funeral Service

MAY 28. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LM

“ *LaVerne Mullins lit a candle in memory of Nell Duty Tackett*



LaVerne Mullins - May 28, 2024 at 06:56 AM

HG

“ *Heiko und Sigrun from Germany purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Nell Duty Tackett.*



Heiko und Sigrun from Germany - May 26, 2024 at 02:59 PM

KO

“ *Kathy Orren lit a candle in memory of Nell Duty Tackett*



Kathy orren - May 25, 2024 at 07:39 PM

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“ I first met Nell Tackett at church. But, then she became our neighbor, when she moved into the apartment below our's. She was the sweetest neighbor I ever had. She drove a little Green car, that was so small it was hard to see it when a car was parked next to it. Our apartments had very limited parking, so we'd get excited to see it an available space right up front, until you went to pull into the space and Nell's little car would already be parked there. My kids were little back then and they'd always say, "Oh no! Mrs. Tackett got us again." Then, we'd all laugh about it. Eventually, even when it happened outside of our apartments, with random tiny cars in other parking spaces, my kids would always say, "Oh no! Mrs. Tackett got us again." My kids are grown now. But, to this very day whenever a tiny car is parked in a space that we can't see it in, that makes us think it's an available spot, we all still say, Oh no! Mrs. Tackett got us again." I have so many fond memories of Nell being our sweet neighbor and my precious friend, that I will always treasure. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with her beautiful family.

Ronda Payne (Woods) - May 25, 2024 at 05:58 PM

DR

“ Diane and Roger purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Nell Duty Tackett.



Diane and Roger - May 25, 2024 at 05:09 PM

WB

“Granny was always welcoming and kind to me. I always felt welcome in her home. And of course her cooking was renowned throughout the area. Her special love for her grandchildren always had a significant impact for me. Granny remained beautiful throughout her life. I'll truly miss this fine lady.

Wayne Braxton - May 25, 2024 at 02:15 PM