



## Romaine Marlene Lipps

November 16, 1930 - July 19, 2014

Romaine Lipps of Manassas Park, Virginia, died on July 19, 2014, and the lights of heaven are shining a little brighter because of her gently shining and loving spirit. Romaine was known by many as “Grammy” due to her unlimited kindness and acceptance of everyone she met. She loved and will be greatly missed by her dogs Knuckles and Boots, and had much fun rooting for her favorite team, the Redskins.

Romaine was born in Quinwood, West Virginia, where she lived until 1958, and has lived in Manassas since 1960. She worked as a cafeteria manager at Baldwin School for 10 years, and then worked as a medical receptionist at the Manassas Medical Center for 30 years. She retired as a medical receptionist for Dr. James Werner.

This beautiful, loving lady is survived by four children: Betsy O’Dell, husband Ted; Bucky Lipps, wife Barbara; Brenda Lipps-Knowles, husband Ken; Bonnie Navarro, husband Billy; her “adopted” daughter Nancy Wilson and son Zack; sister Linda Dorsey and husband Jim.

She also is the grandmother of 5 (Marty Powell, Zachary Cooper, Calvin O’Dell, Isaac Knowles, and Tim Knowles), the great grandmother of 6, and great-great-grandmother of 2.

Romaine was preceded in death by her husband Eugene Lipps, her grandchild Shawn Cooper, sister Nancy Harris, and parents Burke and Maymie McClung.

The services in memory of Romaine for friends and family will be held as

followed: Monday evening is visitation at Pierce Funeral Home in Manassas 6:00 to 9:00pm. The funeral is Tuesday at 3:00 at St Marks United Methodist Church in Manassas and the burial is in Clintonville West Virginia at the Wallace Cemetery with visitation at 1:00 and a service at 1:30.

# Cemetery Details

## Wallace Memorial Cemetery

Rt. 60  
Crawly, WV 24931  
wallacememorial@yahoo.com  
<http://wallacememorialcemetery.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 21.** 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Service

**JUL 22.** 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark's United Methodist Church  
7803 Well St.  
Manassas, VA 20111

# Tribute Wall

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“ Bonnie, Brenda and Betsy - sending you my love and condolences today. I know how special and close your mom was to my Grandmother, and I have many fond memories of my childhood spent with them. She will be missed...

Whitney

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Whitney Smith - July 22, 2014 at 11:16 AM

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“ Bucky, Brenda, Tim, and Isaac,

Thoughts and prayers are with you all at his time. I remember your mother (and grandmother) from a long time ago. She was a sweet, caring lady. Isaac and Tim, now I know where you both got some of your sweet personalities. (Daisy Reynolds). She lives on through each of you.

Jeanette Alvey Reynolds

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jeanette alvey reynolds (daisy) - July 22, 2014 at 09:02 AM



“ I met Romaine in 1973 when I went to work at Baldwin Elem. I substituted and worked in the cafeteria with Romaine. I instantly loved this sweet caring woman. She had all the confidence in people where it made a nervous new worker feel so much at home. She worked so hard in that cafeteria and made me feel like I could take over if I wanted to. I could not keep up, she was amazing. My Dad passed so I had to stop but she wanted me to come back when ready.

She knew my Mother in law well cause they met at Baldwin too. Later I found her at the Medical Center, that was great. I followed Dr. Werner when he became my doctor, I was pleased to see Romaine at his office. So good to see her sweet face when I came to the doctor. Then I seen her again at the Pharmacy. I think Manassas Pharmacy. I have missed her so much. She was an angel in earth. Always asked about my mother in law, was always concerned about how you were. I had not seen her in a while and I often wonder how she was doing.

She was a woman with the kindness that you wish many people had a drop of...it would be a wonderful place if everyone had a drop of her kindness. A wonderful woman who will be very much missed. I would have loved to have attended viewing but I am very sick as of now, cancer survivor twice and fighting again. So very sorry to miss her tribute.

I am so very grateful to have met her and seen her so many times and places as she worked. She made going to the doctor nice, having her to talk to. She was a real Sweetheart. Now Heaven is lucky to have her making everyone smile with her continuous kindness. May she rest in peace. God Bless her. Love you Romaine.

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Cathy Cornwell - July 21, 2014 at 09:32 PM

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“ Dearest Family,

*Your mom was truly a loving and thoughtful humanitarian.  
I am very blessed to have been the recipient of her kindness on  
many occasions.  
My prayers and thoughts are with you all.*

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**Lynnette McCartney** - July 21, 2014 at 03:20 PM

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“ Bonnie, Brenda & Betsy- Your mom was a wonderful lady and  
always had a smile and kind word. She will be greatly missed. My  
thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time.

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**Tammy Davis** - July 21, 2014 at 02:01 PM

VM

“ So very sorry for your loss, Betsy. My thoughts and prayers are with  
you at this difficult time.

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**Val Moore** - July 21, 2014 at 12:21 PM

DK

“ So Sorry for your loss  
Thoughts and Prayers for you, Barb and family  
Donna from Fleet

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**Donna Ketchum** - July 21, 2014 at 11:12 AM

JP

“ So sorry for your loss. Mrs. Lipps always had a smile for you at the  
Medical Center and willing to follow through on a problem for you.  
She was a very special lady.

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**Jo Ellen Peters** - July 21, 2014 at 10:33 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Romaine Marlene Lipps.



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July 21, 2014 at 08:34 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Romaine Marlene Lipps.



July 21, 2014 at 08:28 AM



“ Bucky - I'm so sorry for the loss of your mom. Please know my thoughts & prayers are with you, Barb, and your family. Lisa

Lisa Russell Colgan - July 20, 2014 at 07:03 PM

PA

“ *Such wonderful memories of Romaine. She was a wonderful Christian who had a big influence on my life growing up. I know she is rejoicing as she joins her husband, Gene and all her friends in heaven. Betsy, Bucky, Brenda and Bonnie -- my deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Patricia Faris Alpaugh** - July 20, 2014 at 04:23 PM

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“ *Love Bill and Deb purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Romaine Marlene Lipps.*



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**Love Bill and Deb** - July 20, 2014 at 03:30 PM