



Wilma "Billie" Lewis Webster

December 29, 1918 - April 20, 2024

On April 20th, 2024, Wilma "Billie" Lewis Webster passed away at the age of 105. If anyone deserved 105 years on this earth, it was certainly Billie.

Billie Webster spent her life in service of others in every role she took on. She was a registered nurse, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, sister, and dearest friend. In the 1950s, Billie and her husband Bill Webster became the adoptive parents of two boys, Al and Gary Webster. She prioritized attending and participating in the family reunions for both her maiden family and her husband's, the Woodwards and Websters respectively. As a woman of deep faith, she remained an active member at Rocks Springs Methodist church.

In 1941, Billie graduated from the Grady Memorial Hospital Nursing School in Atlanta, GA. Upon graduation, she traveled to New York to work with premature babies. After returning to Georgia, Billie served the American Red Cross for over 50 years, holding certifications in disaster relief, school health, first aid, and preparation for parenthood. In her late 70s, Billie was named Volunteer of the Year by the American Red Cross.

With family ties to the original Woodward Mill, Billie was also an impactful community member in Gwinnett County, playing a major role in bringing the first vaccinations to the county, participating in the foundation of the Gwinnett

Environmental and Heritage Center, and regularly volunteering in several organizations, such as the Boy Scouts and countless others. Over the years, she won many awards at the Gwinnett County Fair for her vegetables and livestock.

Billie was never one to sit still! She actively maintained a vegetable and flower garden for years; stopping by her house meant leaving with canned or fresh veggies. She was a talented seamstress and ceramist. She spent countless hours crocheting, embroidering (serving as an active member of the Embroiderers' Guild of America), quilting, and pursuing needlepoint. Well after her 100th birthday, Billie continued to crochet small projects.

She knew when to work and when to rest and play. With her husband Bill and many other relatives, Billie traveled around the U.S., Mexico, South America, and England (which she saw at the age of 92). She always sought to see and experience as much of the world as she could.

Billie had a particular fondness for children and they returned the sentiment. At family gatherings, the youngest of her great-grandchildren, grand-nieces and grand-nephews always gravitated to her sweet presence. She also collected eyeglasses for children in need and even provided daycare services for children at her home until she was 96.

The whole of Billie's 105 years reflects her love and devotion to Jesus Christ. She cared for others with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. She never sought to benefit herself, only to make life better for anyone blessed to know her. It is impossible to quantify her impact, but we know she has made a difference for generations to come.

Billie is survived by grandsons, Alan (Trudi Cheek) Webster of Buford, Todd Hood of Canton, GA, Chris Hood of Canton, Kyle Hood of Loganville, GA;

great grandchildren, Kennedy and Corey Holbert, Avery and Mary Webster, Paige and Zach Hutchins, Kylee Hood, Kaylee Hood, Kale Hood, Connor Hood, Harrison Hood, C J Hood, Paxton Hood Payton and Jacob Hood; great great grandchildren, Eli Hutchins and Rylee Hutchins; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Preceding her in death were her husband, William A Webster, Jr; sons, Gary Webster, William Alan Webster III; parents, Ruby Woodward Ogletree and Mac Tal Lewis; siblings, Polly and Jack Ward, Sara and Bob Nesbit, and Dean and Colista Lewis.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at Rock Springs Methodist Church in Lawrenceville, GA.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you would consider donating to the American Red Cross in Billie's honor.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rock Springs United Methodist Church
1105 Rock Springs Rd
Lawrenceville , GA 30043

Tribute Wall

EY

“ *Trudi and family what a truly amazing woman and an amazing legacy she will be missed.*

Erika young - May 04, 2024 at 09:09 AM

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“ *Aunt Billie was the most gracious host. We grew up coming to her home. As a kid, the goal was to grow taller than Aunt Billie so we always stood back to back with her every visit to see how much we had grown.*

She flew out to Texas, a solo flight, in her 90's to visit us and see her baby sister one more time. That was a special visit!!!

There is an amazing reunion happening now!!

Aunt Billie, you are loved and your legacy of how to be kind to others will live on.

Blessings to all who had the privilege of meeting and knowing her.



Sue Bradley - April 26, 2024 at 05:51 PM

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“ *Mrs. Webster made a bridesmaid dress for me in 1990! She was a talented seamstress and so sweet. I know she will be missed. I am thankful I met her!*
Suzanne Clegg

Suzanne Clegg - April 25, 2024 at 09:46 AM

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Ms Billie once told me, while we were talking about sewing and patterns, that when Delta started up, she helped make flight attendant uniforms . She was never let a moment slip by without thinking of others. She was a Very Soocial lady!!

Renay Ownbey - April 26, 2024 at 10:28 AM