



Jimmie Lou Bell

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Jimmie Lou McWaters Bell, 92, of Goldvein, passed away Saturday, August 29, 2015. Mrs. Bell was the fifth of eight children born to the late Arnold and Ida McWaters in Blue Ridge, Fanning County, Georgia, on October 17, 1922.

Jimmie Lou was one of the last “Rosie the Riveters” for World War II fame. She worked at the Bell Aircraft Plant in Marietta, Georgia, riveting the B-29 Superfortress.

In addition to being a treasure to all who knew her, she was treasurer for 20 years, a charter member, and a Member of the Board of Directors of the Goldvein Volunteer Fire Department. The other major focus of her life was the many responsibilities she performed at Grove Baptist Church. She taught Sunday school for over 40 years, was the Women’s Missionary Unit President, Director of the Girl’s Auxiliary and Treasurer of the church cemetery. Jimmie Lou considered the former Pastor for Grove Baptist Church, Jerry Spears and his wife, Rebecca, to be part of her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lester Bell in 1984. She is survived by her daughter, Ellen Joyce Anderson and her husband, James of Fredericksburg; sons, Robert David Bell of Fredericksburg, and Edward Earl Bell of Goldvein; grandchildren, Valerie Ann Schlang and Julie Lynn Raflo; and great-grandchildren, Oliver Henry Raflo, Zayne Alexander Raflo, and Corbin Robert Schlang.

Jimmie Lou’s family will receive friends from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at Found and Sons Funeral Chapels-Cremation Services, 10719 Courthouse Road, Fredericksburg. A funeral service to celebrate her life will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, September 3, 2015 at Grove Baptist Church, 14260 Goldvein Road, Goldvein, VA with interment to follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers Jimmie Lou’s family requests that expressions of sympathy take the form of charitable donations in her name to Mary Washington Home Health & Hospice, 5012 Southpoint



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Parkway, Fredericksburg, VA 22407.

Online condolences can be expressed to Jimmie Lou's family at foundandsons.com.



Events


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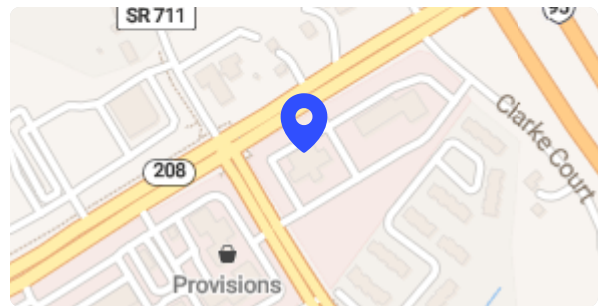
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Visitation

 **Wednesday**, September 2, 2015

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Fredericksburg**
10719 Courthouse Road, Fredericksburg VA 22407

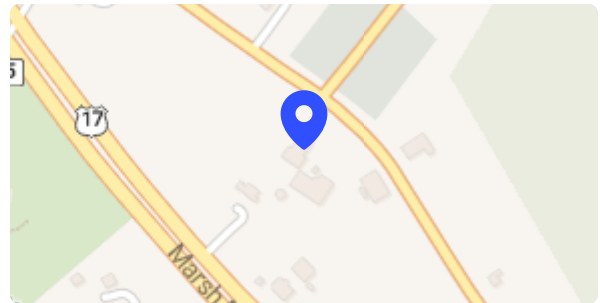


Service

 **Thursday**, September 3, 2015

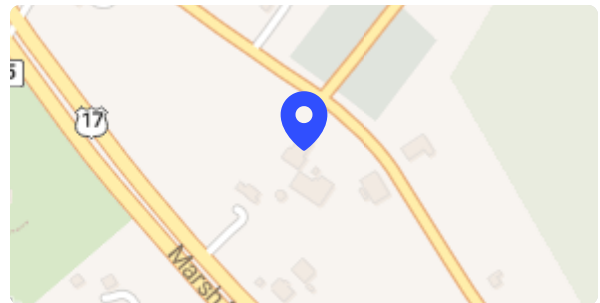
 1:00 PM ET

 **Grove Baptist Church**
14260 Goldvein Rd., Goldvein VA 22720



Cemetery Details

 **Grove Baptist Church Cemetery**
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RM

Ronald K. Mcwaters posted:

Hello! My name is Ron McWaters, the Brother of Curtis Eugene McWaters. Curtis just forwarded me Jimmie Lou's (my Aunt) obit and I truly am sorry for her leaving us but, as you know, she has gone on to be with Jesus. I did not know she was a "Rosie the Riveter"! Curtis said that Jimmie Lou told him she used to crawl up in the wings of B-29 to rivet them! As it has been 40-50 years since my last we made as a family with my Dad, A.B. Junior* and Mother and Curtis. I will remember the welcoming feeling Jimmie Lou and the family gave us –and the good eating too! Something else I remember fondly is fishing in the long farm pond up by the road. I always looked forward to that too! Please give wife Debi's and my condolences to the family and we will see each other in Heaven! Ronald K. McWaters p.s.*I asked my dad one time why he didn't name his first son after his father A.B. senior and he said he hated being called 'Junior' and didn't want his sons to have to be called 'Junior' or something else like that!

September 4 at 6:39 AM

DH

Denise Hardy posted:

I was deeply saddened to hear of Jimmie Lou's passing and want to express my sincere condolences to her family. I have such fond memories of this special lady as my Sunday School teacher, and she was especially instrumental in my life during my teenage years growing up in Goldvein. Genevieve Embrey Newton

September 3 at 12:44 PM

VK

Violet And Bill Kugler posted:

We are long-time residents of Goldvein, moving here in 1976. Our fond memories include those of participating in many of the Ladies Auxiliary activities when we had the parade, carnival, and food sales at the firehouse. Jimmie Lou's corndogs were noted as a best seller along with Thelma Monroe's corn pudding. May family and friends be comforted to know that Jimmie Lou will be remembered as a lovely, loving lady. Our hearts go out with deepest sympathy to all. Sincerely, Violet and Bill Kugler

September 2 at 10:33 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Bell family.

September 1 at 5:00 PM





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AG

Alton Griffith posted:

I remember when Lester and Jimmie came home to Goldvein after the war was over. She seemed so content and happy. We would tease her about being a Georgia peach.) She was one of the most pleasant and likeable people that I have known. Please accept our sincerest condolences Carl Alton Griffith Charlotte B. Griffith

August 31 at 10:41 AM

CW

Cindy Scoggins Weisbrod September 4 at 10:17 AM

Bobby, Eddie, and Ellen, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember your mother always smiling and serving the Lord.

BL

Barb Lisenby September 4 at 4:55 AM

I am saddened to hear of Mrs. Bells passing. She was such an inspiration to me when I met her a Grove Baptist. She made me feel at home there when she would always give me a kiss on the cheek every time I saw her. She was prayer warrior, and loved to pray for others. Beautiful Lady! Condolences to her family!

CS

Charles Scoggins September 3 at 11:48 AM

Condolences to Bobby, Eddie and Ellen. Your mother was a sweet woman, and it was a privilege to have known her.

SB

Susan Bryant September 1 at 4:29 PM

Jimmie Lou was one of kind - she will be missed.

LW

Lily Mae Embrey Weakley September 1 at 3:46 PM

To the family of Jimmie Lou Bell we send our sincere sympathy. She was a lovely caring lady. She taught my brothers, sisters, and myself Sunday School class and taught GA Class to myself and three of my sisters. She made such a difference in our lives. From Lily Mae Embrey Weakley and Family

BY

Brenda Corbin Young September 1 at 9:25 AM

Not only was she the best corn dog cooker in the world but every Christmas she made me a ribbon salad! She was one special lady and I will miss her!

SH

Shelby Hadelor August 31 at 5:30 PM

I was so blessed to be included in her family. Such patience - such a wonderful laugh - and being willing to come to a strange, different part of the country to be a wife and daughter-in-law. She was an inspiration to me in so many ways. Shelby Monroe Hadelor



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jimmie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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