



Theda Connelley Watkins

July 28, 1938 - March 16, 2025

Theda Connelley Watkins, age 86, a resident of Falcon Road in Salyersville, Kentucky, passed away Sunday, March 16, 2025 at her home peacefully with family.

Theda was born July 28, 1938 in Salyersville, Kentucky, the daughter of the late Dr. Walter Connelley and Lucy Dyer Borders. Husband, Willie Watkins, sisters, Edith Stafford, Louise Conley, Candace Lacy, brothers, Belsey Connelley, Francis Connelley, Ed Connelley, Pitt Connelley, Gus Connelley, John Russell Connelley, Marcus Connelley, Dona C. Arnett, Frances Harper and granddaughter, Amy Eastep Meade preceded her in death.

Theda was a business owner and seamstress until her retirement. She loved spending time with her family and friends as much as often as she could.

Those left to mourn includes daughter, Karen Watkins of Salyersville, Kentucky, son, John W. Watkins of Salyersville, Kentucky, grandson Dwayne Eastep of Salyersville, Kentucky, great grandchildren, Conner Meade of Stanton, Kentucky, Kaisen Eastep of Erlanger, Kentucky, Lexi Meade of Mooresville, North Carolina, McKenley Eastep of Salyersville, Kentucky, Bristol Eastep of Salyersville, Kentucky, great great-grandchild, Sara Ann Meade of Stanton, Kentucky, a host of family and friends who love and miss her.

Funeral services for Theda Watkins will be conducted Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 11:00 AM from the chapel of the Salyersville Funeral Home in Salyersville, Kentucky. Clergy Larry Williams and Tim Watkins will deliver comforting words on the day of services. Interment will follow in the Cleve Bailey Cemetery in Carver, Kentucky. The family will welcome friends Wednesday, March 19, 2025, after 6:00 PM and anytime prior to funeral services.

Arrangements are entrusted to the Salyersville Funeral Home in Salyersville, Kentucky. Online condolences and gifts are available on www.salyersvillefuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Cleve Bailey Cemetery

Dawkins Line Rail Trail
Salyersville, Kentucky, KY 41465

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM (ET)

Salyersville Funeral Home
694 Parkway Drive
PO Box 669
Salyersville, KY 41465
(606) 349-1282
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Funeral

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Sweet lady will be sadly missed she was always good to me RIP dear friend



Rosemary Risner - March 22, 2025 at 12:03 AM

JW

“ Jennifer Watkins lit a candle in memory of Theda Connelley Watkins



Jennifer watkins - March 19, 2025 at 11:26 AM

JW

“ Karen and John, I'm so sorry for your loss... I'm praying you both find peace at this difficult time and know I'm here if you need to talk.

jennifer watkins - March 19, 2025 at 11:24 AM

KS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss! My deepest sympathy and prayers for all the family.

Kaye Stone - March 17, 2025 at 09:28 PM

JW

“ *Joshua Watkins lit a candle in memory of Theda Connelley Watkins*



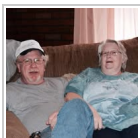
Joshua Watkins - March 17, 2025 at 01:56 PM

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“ *Faye Rife lit a candle in memory of Theda Connelley Watkins*



Faye Rife - March 17, 2025 at 12:15 PM



“ *So sorry to see this tonight. I know how you feel to lose your mom. Karen and Johnny please know I am saying prayers for all of you. God's blessings on you through this time and right on through the days without her.*

Marlene Russell - March 17, 2025 at 01:15 AM