## Mae Hamm Hurt

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After a long battle with cancer, Amanda Mae Hurt, joined her husband in heaven and had a tea party with angels on February 1, 2021. Mae was excited and ready for her homecoming with her husband, Vernon, twin sister, Faye, and other family and friends.

Mae was born in Sand Knob, West Virginia September 1, 1939, to Homer and Orah Hamm Lilly. Her mother married Charlie Lilly soon after who raised her most of her childhood. She was greeted in heaven by siblings Donald Hamm, twin sister Faye Hamm, Virginia Wills, Van Hamm, Darrell Hamm, Millie Messer, Chares Lilly, Phillip Lilly, Jackie McGuire, and Lorene Tyree. Her surviving siblings are Mack Hamm, Frank Hamm, Billy Lilly, Myrtle Harvey, Shelby Warden and Geraldine Meadows. She married Vernon Lewis Hurt, also from WV, in 1959, and they were married for 61 years. She is survived by their son, Jeff Hurt from Dallas, TX, daughter, Jennifer Hood, son-in-law Samuel Hood, grandsons Kyle Hood and wife Shelby, Connor Hood and wife Danielle, and Korry Hood, great-granddaughters Robin Hood and Harper Hood all of Rowlett, TX, and her special niece Kim Mounts of Beckley, WV.

Mae Hurt always had a smile on her face and an encouraging word for everyone she met. She passionately loved her husband, children, grandsons, and great-granddaughters. Her love for people was seen as she was a greeter at church and taught children's Sunday School for many years as well as trained teachers district-wide. She looked for the good in every person and every situation.

Throughout her battle with cancer, she would focus on the good things God was doing for her each day. Even in her last days, she woke up saying, "I wonder what God needs me to do today." She taught others to count their blessings, thank God for them and had many "Blessings Tea Parties." Many people called her "mom" as she and Vernon opened their homes and hearts to many. She did not judge people but saw their potential and encouraged them to improve in life and their relationship with God. She lived and breathed goodness, grace, and gratitude as she left a legacy of love.