Margaret Ann Lilly Blankenship October 1, 1949 – December 21, 2015 (From Beckley Register-Harold, Dec. 24, 2015)

On Monday, December 21, 2015, our most cherished, Margaret Ann Lilly Blankenship went home to be with her Mom, Dad, brother and sister. A resident of Cool Ridge, Margaret was 66 years of age. Margaret passed away at the Bowers Hospice House following a long illness and a broken heart.

Born October 1, 1949, she was the daughter of Lundy Mason and Tina Beatrice Pack-Lilly.

Margaret enjoyed spending time with her grandsons, Mason and Elijah. She was accomplished in cooking, famous for her sweet potatoes.

Margaret was a homemaker and loving wife for 36 years to her late husband, Wayne Herald Blankenship. She has spent the last three years of her life in the Hilltop Nursing Home, where she was adored by so many of the caretakers there that she considered them family.

Those left to cherish her memory are her two daughters, Jodi Farley and husband, Joe of Cool Ridge and Brandi Blankenship and companion, Kenny Garrett of Ghent; her nephew, Bob Willy who was more like a brother to her and his wife, Betty of Ghent; and finally her two loving grandsons, Mason Wayne Farley and Elijah Alan Lester.

Margaret's services were private. She was laid to rest in the Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens at Prosperity.

And the words, "Sleep in Heavenly Peace," will have such a different meaning this Christmas...

Arrangements are by the Melton Mortuary and Cremation Center. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.meltonmortuary.com.