



Joann Beer

November 22, 1932 - March 14, 2025

Joann Beer, age 92, a lifelong resident of the Frenchton Community, Upshur County passed away peacefully on Friday, March 14, 2025, at Mountain Memories Assisted Living in Elkins, WV.

She was born on November 22, 1932, in Frenchton a daughter of the late Basil R. and Mary Pauline Hyre Heavner. She was united in marriage on November 25, 1950, to Zane Beer, who preceded her in death on September 16, 1992. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was also preceded in death by her son-in-law, David Lacko.

She is survived by three daughters: Luanne and husband Larry Bowers of Buckhannon, Glenna and husband Tom Weaver of Ashland, KY, and Ramona Beer of Bruceton Mills, WV; three granddaughters: Laura and husband Ryan Sigler of Lexington, KY, Carol and husband Jeremy Brickey of Grayson, KY and Amy and husband Kerry Adkins of Winchester, KY; two grandsons: Zane Lacko of Morgantown, and David and wife Christan Lacko of Morgantown; two great grandsons: Michael Brickey and Braden Adkins.

She worked for Buckhannon Upshur Junior High and the Upshur County Board of Education until retirement and carried her dedication as a public servant to various leadership positions for the West Virginia Association of Retired School Employees at the county and state levels. She also was instrumental in the early development of the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency. Causes closest her heart included youth development in the Upshur County 4-H program by leading multiple local clubs, contributing to

the Upshur County 4-H Camp, and volunteering with the local arm of the American Cancer Society. She and husband Zane were founding members and volunteers for the Upshur County Emergency Squad.

Her flower and vegetable gardens were the envy of the neighborhood, and she delighted in sharing her bounty with friends and family.

The family would like to thank the staff of Mountain Memories in Elkins, W.Va. for their compassionate care around the clock and the efforts of WV Caring Hospice, who provides invaluable service to families in their darkest hours.

The family will receive friends at the Heavner and Cutright Funeral Chapel on Monday, March 17, 2025, from 4-7 PM. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 11:00 AM at the Heavner and Cutright Funeral Chapel with Pastor Holt Poling officiating. Interment will follow in the Buckhannon Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Beechtown Cemetery at PO Box 132, French Creek, WV 26218.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **17.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Heavner & Cutright Funeral Chapel
940 Route 20 South Road
Buckhannon, WV 26201

Funeral Service

MAR **18.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PB

“ I just wish to express my sympathy to the Beer family. Though you do not know me, I am a descendant of the Beer family of Buchannon, W. Va., and probably a distant relative. May the Lord Jesus comfort you all in your time of sorrow and loss.

Phillip Beer - March 26, 2025 at 10:10 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joann Beer.



March 17, 2025 at 03:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joann Beer.

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ML

“ Luanne and family, I have such fond memories of your mom as my 4-H leader. My mom, who passed in 2009, always spoke so highly of your mom. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Marsha Lee - March 17, 2025 at 09:53 AM

BM

“ We have known Joann 22 years. One of the finest persons we have ever known. We worked with her at WVARSE. We regret that we will be unable to attend the visitation since we are on our way to Florida to visit our grandson.

Darlene and Bill Milam

Bill milam - March 16, 2025 at 02:45 PM

SS

“ Sending love and condolences. She was a wonderful lady that exhibited a strong Christian character.

Sonnie Shaw - March 16, 2025 at 01:43 PM

FK

“ Glenna, Luanne, and Ramona, I'm so sorry for the loss of your Mother. She was such a sweet lady. I remember how nice she was when I'd come to your house as a kid in Frenchton. Sorry I can't be there, but my thoughts are with you.

Flora B Bennett Kelley

Flora B Bennett Kelley - March 16, 2025 at 10:45 AM

NS

“ So sorry for your loss Luanne and Family .
I'll keep you and your family in my prayers .

Your Mother was a very special person that will be greatly missed

Nancy Simmons - March 16, 2025 at 09:00 AM

PG

“ So sorry for your loss prayers and hugs



Patty Gregory - March 16, 2025 at 06:30 AM

LW

“ My deepest sympathies I enjoyed her coming into rite aid and Walgreens. Always so happy too see her.



Liz Williams - March 15, 2025 at 09:09 PM

TF

“ Thomas Beer and Family. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joann Beer.



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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Joann Beer.



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