



## Billie Laye Welsh

May 17, 2011

Walhalla, SC—Billie Laye Welsh, 81, of 602 Sherwood Drive, Walhalla, SC, wife of the late Ralph A. Welsh, died Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at The Residences at Park Place, Seneca.

A native of Oconee, Mrs. Welsh was the daughter of the late John Sam, Sr. and Kate Burgess Laye. She was a retired Postmaster with the US Postal Service and member of Zion United Methodist Church. She had served on the Walhalla Civic Auditorium Board of Directors; and Board of Directors of Anderson, Oconee Behavioral Health Services.

Mrs. Welsh is survived by sons, Stephen Welsh (Becky) and Patrick Welsh (Judy); daughters, Laura Keese (Lee) and Carol Kelley (Bob); sisters, Frances Newton of Charlotte and Sue Underwood of Carlisle, PA; thirteen grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, Mrs. Welsh was predeceased by brothers, J. Sam Laye, Jr., Ed Laye, Clarence Laye, William Burgess Laye, Sr. and Maurice Laye; sisters, Helen Faller and Grace Rucker; and granddaughter, Kathryn Kelley.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Friday, May 20, 2011, at South Union Baptist Church.

The family will receive friends following the service.

The family is at their respective homes.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Medi Home Hospice, 203 A Central Park Lane, Seneca, SC 29678.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Billie Laye Welsh*

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January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Carol,*  
*My deepest condolences to you and your family on the passing of your dear mother.*  
*Johnny Mize*  
*Walhalla Class of '73##imported-begin##Johnny Mize##imported-end##*

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June 22, 2011 at 02:50 PM



“ *Hi Steve, Pat, Laura and Carol. I helped your Mom organize and clean her house a year or so ago and thoroughly enjoyed being with her. We talked while we worked and she was a very facinating woman. I am sorry to hear of your passing. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers. With love, Liz##imported-begin##Liz Kueimmerer##imported-end##*

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May 28, 2011 at 02:26 PM



“ *Billie was a unique lady!! I knew her personally as well as professionally and she was a special person. She had an humble spirit and a kind heart. I will miss her. She was so special to me. God always takes the best. Her children have been blessed to have had her as their Mother. I have been blessed to have had her as my friend. We worked together in the U S Postal Service and she served her country well. God bless each of you. In Christ,  
Linda M Schroder Bryant###imported-begin##Linda M Schroder Bryant###imported-end##*

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May 22, 2011 at 08:35 PM



“ *Aunt Billie was such a special person. She will always be remembered as one of the most caring people I have known. She helped us so much with daddy in his later years & words cannot express my appreciation for all she did. Much love to all of you & your families.###imported-begin##Julia Laye Clark###imported-end##*

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May 22, 2011 at 09:42 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Aunt Billie. One of my fondest memories of childhood is tagging along with Aunt Bill on her mail route. I must have been six or seven years old and I will always remember her kind and gentle manner, not just in dealing with me but in dealing with those on her delivery route. She always had time to visit with folks who obviously looked forward to her daily delivery. I learned much from her and remember those times with much warmth. My sympathies.###imported-begin##Stewart Underwood###imported-end##*

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May 22, 2011 at 01:18 AM



“ Harrison and I are extremely sorry for the loss of your Mother, Billie. You shall all find strength in our Lord.

*Billie was a treasured member of our church for many years and she and I were in the Eastern Star for many, many years. Please know that all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. /s/ Merle and Harrison###imported-begin###Merle and Harrison Orr###imported-end##*

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May 20, 2011 at 06:46 PM



“ My sympathy goes out to each and everyone of you. Billie was a dear friend.###imported-begin###Bobbie Duncan###imported-end##

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May 19, 2011 at 05:23 PM



“ MRS.KEESE,IM SO SORRY FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR MOTHER .SHE WAS A VERY SWEET LADY. I KNOW YOU WILL MISS HER DEARLY. LOVE ,ELISHA MULKEY###imported-begin###ELISHA D. MULKEY###imported-end##

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May 19, 2011 at 10:17 AM



“ Billie was a dear woman and was out first mail woman when we moved to Walhalla in 1968. She always went out of her way to help us and was such a lovely lady. My husband, the late Rev. George B. Shealy, used to enjoy preaching at her church when the pastor was away. She shall be missed my many.###imported-begin###Mrs. George B. Shealy###imported-end##

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May 18, 2011 at 08:38 PM



“ *Mr. Welsh [Stephen] I remember your mother as my grandparents' post mistress. She was always smiling! You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I know she will be greatly missed.*###imported-begin###Bonnie Galloway###imported-end##

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May 18, 2011 at 04:13 PM



“ *Sorry to learn of Billie's death. She was a wonderful friend for many years and I will always cherish the memories and good times we had all through the years. My deepest sympathy goes out to her family.*

*Cornelia (Smith) Pepper*###imported-begin###Cornelia (Smith) Pepper###imported-end##

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May 18, 2011 at 11:05 AM



“ *I am painfully aware that words hold little or no comfort for the family when a loved one is lost!! am saddened by the passing of my friend of many years! Billie had a character that others should strive to emulate! She was a special person, a "salt of the Earth Lady" that deeply cared for those around her. To the children, May God bless you, and grant you his peace. She will be sorely missed! Rod Albertson*###imported-begin###Rod Albertson###imported-end##

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May 18, 2011 at 10:57 AM



“ *We send our deepest sympathy.*###imported-begin###The Allen Moore Family###imported-end##

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May 18, 2011 at 09:12 AM



“ Laura, All the women of the WMU Leadership Team send our condolences.##imported-begin##Pam Scott##imported-end##

May 18, 2011 at 07:58 AM



“ Pat, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Ric Adams##imported-end##

May 18, 2011 at 07:49 AM



“ Do know that our love and prayers are with you all in this sad time. God bless and keep you. The 23rd Ps has helped us through many valley situations.  
Love, Rolann and Gerald##imported-begin##Rolann Lee##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 10:25 PM



“ just want to say thank you for letting me help care for Billie her last few days. You are a wonderful family, I'll remember her smile, walking outside enjoying life. Again thank you, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Patti##imported-begin##patti nelson##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 10:21 PM



“ Steve and family,  
Mrs. Welsh was a blessing to me during my time at First Baptist. Deepest Sympathies.##imported-begin##Wayne Barrett##imported-end##

May 17, 2011 at 09:11 PM



“ *Billie was such a kind and lovely lady. Her sweet nature will be missed by all of us.##imported-begin##Nancy Carter##imported-end##*

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May 17, 2011 at 09:11 PM



“ *My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Reg Tatum##imported-end##*

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May 17, 2011 at 08:59 PM



“ *Steve, Laura and family,*

*Billie was a wonderful lady and mother. I remember her influence as I was growing up. I know that you are already remembering so many of her parting gifts called memories.##imported-begin##John Kelley##imported-end##*

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May 17, 2011 at 05:34 PM



“ *Becky and Steve,*

*Please know I am thinking of you all.*

*Love,*

*Becky##imported-begin##Becky Johnson##imported-end##*

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May 17, 2011 at 04:31 PM



“ *Laura, Lee & Family*

*We are thinking of you during this difficult time in the loss of you precious Mother. You will be in our thoughts and prayers and I know no words however kind can ease the loss you bear, but may it bring a share of comfort to know how much we care. May the light of God's love bring you peace and comfort at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Sammy & Betty Anderson##imported-end##*

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May 17, 2011 at 04:29 PM



“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers during this sad time... Your Steak House Family...##imported-begin##Tonja Lee Alnajjar##imported-end##*

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