



Avis Marjorie (Young) McHenry

April 2, 1921 - November 23, 2015

Avis Marjorie Young McHenry, age 94, of Cambra, passed into eternal life on Monday, November 23rd, 2015 at the Bonham Nursing Center, Stillwater.

Avis was born April 2, 1921 in Carbondale, a daughter of the late Goodwin O. and Bertha Hess Young. Her father worked on the railroad there, then the family moved to the Benton area, where Avis attended the Sugarloaf School and then graduated from Benton High School in 1938.

She married James M. "Ivory Knuckles" McHenry and they lived in the McHenry family home in Cambra until Jim's death in 1981. Avis was a talented cook and baker, who kept family and neighbors well supplied with baked goods. She did a lot of sewing for her family and enjoyed flower gardening, making beautiful table arrangements out of whatever flowers she had at the time. Her favorites were zinnias and cosmos (but nothing purple!). Avis began working at the Cambra Post Office and was appointed Postmaster in 1982, a post she kept until her retirement at the age of 82.

She took in a few stray cats, who spent a lot of time with her at the Post Office.

A member of the Cambra Christian Church, Avis served as piano player and secretary-treasurer. She also enjoyed get-togethers with her class members from Benton High School and kept a detailed scrapbook of their lunches at the

Brass Pelican, where she was especially fond of the buckwheat cakes. She also volunteered with feeding patients at Bonham's.

Preceding her in death besides her parents and husband, were a brother: Marvin N. Young and two sisters; Lois Young and Louise Young Steward. She is survived by two daughters: Sandra (Ernest) Bullock of Tavares, Florida and Pamela (Scott) Thomas, of Cambra; four grandchildren: James E. Bullock of East Point, GA; Andrew H. Bullock of Tavares, FL; Ryan S. Thomas of Benton and Caitlin M. Yantorn of Knoxville, TN. She has five great grandchildren: Dustin, Colton, and Olivia Thomas and Brooke and Morgan Yantorn.

In memory of Avis' lifelong kindness to others and advice to "do a good deed every day", the family requests that we all strive, in her example, to do a good deed every day.

Funeral Services will be held Monday, November 30th, 2015 at 11 AM at the McMichael Funeral Home, Inc., 4394 Red Rock Road, Benton (S. R. 487) with burial at the Stillwater Cemetery. A Visitation will be held Monday from 10 AM until the time of the Service at McMichael's. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 57 N. Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701 or to the Activity Fund of Bonham Nursing Center, 477 Bonnieville Road, Stillwater, PA 17878 or to any animal charity. For online condolences or for additional information, please visit our website: www.mcmichaelfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Stillwater Cemetery

Stillwater, PA 17878

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I remember staying overnite as a kid, catching fireflies at nite, and having strawberries for breakfast in the morning !!!! I am Cathy, Carl Robbins oldest daughter.....I believe the visit was in the early 1960's. My Dad and Jim were lifelong friends. Will never forget how fun that visit was, and how kind Avis was. God bless.....

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