



## Bildean Artrip

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Bildean Artrip, age 91, passed away Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at her home in the community of Skeetrock in Clintwood, Virginia.

Bildean was a devoted wife, loving mother, and doting Nanny, who supported her family with unwavering resilience, hard work, and gentleness. Throughout her life, she found joy in gardening, evening walks through Skeetrock, sitting on her covered patio, and keeping up with friends, family, and neighbors. She was well-known for her home cooking and baking, including a variety of old-fashioned holiday treats. Her gentle, sweet smile and earnest laugh will be remembered fondly.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Donald Artrip; parents Ross and Nora Branham; and sisters Jacqueline Taylor (Otto Taylor), Cora Alice Hill (Frank Hill), and Betty Jo Artrip (Millard Artrip).

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Donna and Ed Abbott of Gray, Tennessee; her son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Tina Artrip of Abingdon, Virginia; three grandchildren, Elizabeth Abbott Dake (Andrew Dake) and Catherine Abbott of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Ryan Artrip (Krista

Craven) of Orleans, Ontario; three great-grandchildren Catherine, Henry, and Elliott; brother David Branham of Clintwood, Virginia; and several special nieces and nephews from the Branham and Artrip families.

The family extends a special thank you to Bildean's kind-hearted and loving caretakers, Greta Doss, who formed a special bond with Bildean in her final years, and Janet Redden.

The family will hold a graveside service at Stone Cemetery at 2 pm on Sunday, February 16. Family and friends will serve as pallbearers. A celebration of life will be planned for late spring, date and time to be announced.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

FEB **16**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Stone Cemetery  
Clintwood, VA 24228

## Celebration Of Life

MAY **24**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Home Place  
373 the flats drive  
clintwood, VA 24228

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Bildean Artrip*



**Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory** - February 15, 2025 at 02:42 PM

BF

*Beautiful beautiful video of our sweet Aunt Bildean. She was loved by everyone.*

**Belinda Flournoy** - February 15, 2025 at 07:53 PM

SC

*Yes and she loved everyone! Loved her! A special kind of woman, so gentle, so pure!*

**Sam (Bo) Cowart** - February 17, 2025 at 12:24 PM

KP

“ *she was a great lady*



**kerry phipps** - February 18, 2025 at 10:20 PM

RR

“ Regina S Ross lit a candle in memory of  
Bildean Artrip



Regina S Ross - February 16, 2025 at 02:44 PM

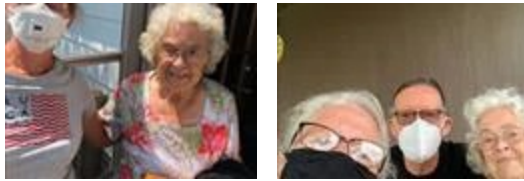
SM

“ I loved talking to Don and Bildean in my youth over in Sheetrock.  
I'm sorry to hear of her passing.

Stuart Mullins - February 16, 2025 at 12:07 PM

CA

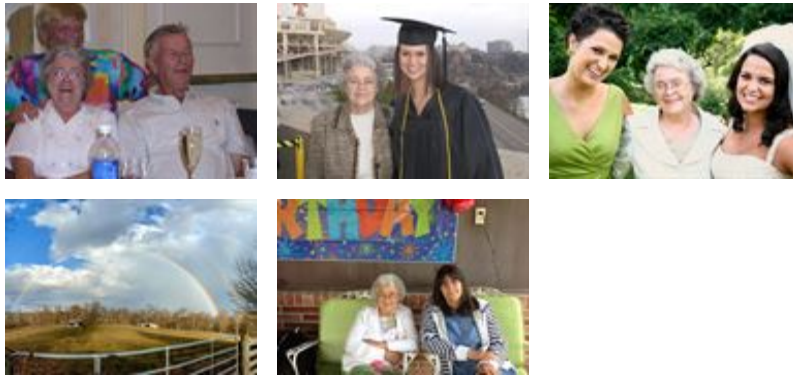
“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Catherine Abbott - February 15, 2025 at 10:53 PM



“ 37 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory - February 15, 2025 at 02:17 PM

ST

“ Sweet Aunt Bill , how you were loved and will be missed by us all



Sandra Taylor - February 14, 2025 at 10:39 PM

MS

“ Mary Sumner lit a candle in memory of  
Bildean Artrip



Mary Sumner - February 14, 2025 at 12:42 PM

MS

*My deepest condolences to the Art rip family.*

Mary Sumner - February 14, 2025 at 12:43 PM

RS

“ Steve, Tina, Donna, Ed and grandchildren Bildean was a wonderful neighbor. She had the sweetest and kindness personality. I will always remember her sweet smile she was always happy for anyone to stop and sit with her on her patio and talk about her pretty hanging baskets and potted flowers , she had a green thumb when growing things . Our neighborhood has lost a precious woman and she will be missed .



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**Retha Stone** - February 14, 2025 at 11:37 AM