



Freda Keller Braithwaite Courtney

February 6, 1931 - May 16, 2026

Freda Keller Braithwaite Courtney joined God's Heavenly choir on Saturday May 16, 2026, after a decade long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Freda was born February 6, 1931 to Benjamin Homer and Nellie Carpenter Keller. After graduating in the inaugural class of Mussleman High School, Freda married the love of her life, Douglas Eugene Brathwaite. He passed after 30 years of marriage. Freda is survived by sons Neil J. Braithwaite and wife Susan of St Augustine Florida, and M. Rhett Braithwaite and fiancé Deanna Dearing; grandchildren, Rhett Braithwaite, Jr. and wife Michelle of Inwood WV, Andrew S. Braithwaite of Winchester, VA, and Rachel E Braithwaite of Charlotte, NC.

Freda was preceded in death by a son, Keith E Braithwaite and daughter Sharon D Neal.

Freda was married to Frank Courtney for 25 years until his passing. Freda lived her life zealously for our savior Jesus Christ. As an early member of Valley Ave Church of Christ, and Church of Christ at Mountain View, she spent many decades teaching Sunday School, mentoring youth, and singing lead soprano in the choir. She volunteered for over 30 years at Winchester Medical Center.

Nana Freda loved caring for children and did so many years for her own grandchildren as well as other close family friends. She worked as checker at A&P grocery for years and then with husband Frank owning Dale's Grocery for a time. Her ever-smiling face, sincere love and unique laugh will be missed

greatly by all who knew and loved her.

A funeral will be 11:00 am Friday June 5 at Church of Christ at Mountain View 153 Narrow Lane Winchester officiated by Pastor Doug Hardman. Friends will be received an hour prior to the service in the church. Interment will be private.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of Christ at Mountain View
153 Narrow Lane
Winchester, VA 22602

Service

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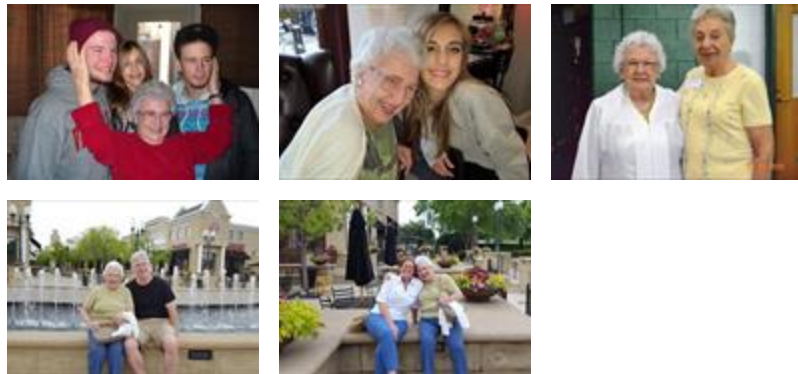
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Freda, she baby sat for my parents. My 2 brothers & I. Then later in life we would cross paths. Freda became a great buddy of my sister-in-law, Maxine. She spoke of Freda all the time. And now, they are back together again. I could go on and tell about her brother, the barber or Freda's husband, Doug. Who became my boss for several years. Freda will be missed & remembered by lots of friends, and never forgotten. This is a small world. Rest in peace Freda. R.M.Shifflett

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