



## Vivian Gayzelle (Shorty) Hammack

July 18, 1933 - April 1, 2023

Vivian Gayzelle (Shorty) Hammack age 89, of Buckhannon died on Saturday, April 1, 2023, at Holbrook Healthcare Center in Buckhannon. She was born July 18, 1933, in Harrison County, a daughter of the late Alpha Daniel and Elsie Grace Moats Zickefoose. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband Roscoe (Bunk) Earnest and her second husband John R. Hammack, stepdaughter Jane Rickard, step granddaughter Heather, and step grandson Ashley; four brothers: Calvin, Joe, Ted, and Dickie; three sisters: Lemoyne Zickefoose Page, Oleta Zickefoose Collins, and Glenna Zickefoose Pringle.

She is survived by two sisters: Margaret Zickefoose Orsburn and Roberta Zickefoose Dean; one brother, Leon Zickefoose and several nieces and nephews.

Shorty was a Christian by faith and loved her Lord. She never knew a stranger and was loved by everyone she met. She loved to sing, and tease people. She will forever be missed by her family and friends.

Friends will be received at the Heavner & Cutright Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, from 4-7 PM. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 1:00 PM at the funeral chapel with Pastor J. Edward McDaniels officiating. Interment will follow in the Heavner Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Heavner Cemetery

505 Hall Road  
Buckhannon, WV 26201  
(304) 472-1651

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JK

“ I loved having her as a patient when i worked at Holbrook. She was very sweet, sassy, and could always make you laugh.

Jade Kesling - April 07, 2023 at 03:04 AM

CS

“ I always knew it was gonna be a good day when I walked in the door at Holbrooks to hear Shorty singing “you are my sunshine”. She had a contagious laugh and was loved by many.

Christiana Scott - April 05, 2023 at 09:53 PM

CT

“ Carolyn Tenney lit a candle in memory of Vivian Gayzelle (Shorty) Hammack



Carolyn Tenney - April 05, 2023 at 02:11 PM

JF

“ Shorty was a dear friend for almost 50 years. We will always miss her smile and her songs. She was a lovely person with malice toward none and love for all. She will be welcomed to her Heavenly home by the God she served faithfully.

John and Hope Crites & family - April 04, 2023 at 02:07 PM

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“ Shorty will be missed by so many. Her happy positive attitude and always wanting to share her food and drink or even her bed. I spent so many days with her at Holbrooks that I'd grown to love her. Her famous saying, "I don't like you! Because I love you!" She just was the best lady to get to know. And she will be missed. We are all going to miss hearing her singing You Are My Sunshine. From her friends on 200 wing.

Alisha Rosier - April 04, 2023 at 09:26 AM

BR

“ I shared many night shifts at Holbrook's with Shorty. She was a very sweet lady who always kept us laughing and made coming to work more fun. I'll always remember the night she sang jingle bells to us for hours, or when she'd come up to you with a straight face and say hey I don't like you. You'd be like "what? Why?" And she'd laugh and say because I love you! She will be very missed. My prayers are with her family.

Brooklynn Russell - April 03, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ We will surely miss you! You were as close to an Angel as anyone could be. That bright glow, smile, the jokes, and laughter will forever be etched in our memories. We cherish those moments. We Love You Aunt Gazelle.  
*Fly High With The Angels!*



Karen Collins - April 03, 2023 at 03:58 PM

DZ

“ I am sorry to hear about Aunt Shorty's passing but I am sure of her home in heaven. She always had a good sense of humor and kept me laughing. I think she got that from my grandfather. I remain her loving nephew Danny Ray Zickefoose. She always used my full name as does aunt Margaret.

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**Danny Zickefoose** - April 03, 2023 at 03:38 PM