



## Rachel Dean Tolley

January 26, 1934 - April 23, 2017

Rachel Dean Carlisle Tolley, age 83, a lifelong resident of Greenbrier, TN went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, April 23, 2017. Austin & Bell Funeral Home Greenbrier is in charge of arrangements.

The family will receive family and friends on Tuesday, April 25th from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the funeral home and on Wednesday, April 26th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Rock Springs Baptist Church with the funeral service following at 12:00 pm with Rev. Randy Harmon and Rev. Jon Briggs officiating. Burial will follow in Springfield Memorial Gardens.

She was born in Orlinda, TN to the late Ewin Dayton Carlisle and Virginia Carlisle Corbitt. She was also preceded in death by her husband of almost 60 years, James Ray Tolley; sister, Linda Gail Carlisle; brother, Ewin Michael Carlisle.

She and Mr. Tolley were owners of Tolley's Video in Springfield and also owned Rachel's Knit Shop in Greenbrier. She also worked for National Life. After Tolley's death she participated in a Newborn Baby blanket ministry. She was a longtime member of Rock Springs Baptist Church where she also worked in the Nursery for about 25 years.

She is survived by daughters, Cindy (Terry) Hayes of Ridgetop, Brenda (Ronnie) Bellar of Ridgetop, Donya (Danny) Oliver of Ridgetop; grandchildren, Taylor (Kelli) Hayes, Samantha (Kyle) Jones, Jamie (Catherine) Bellar, Emily (Matt Smith – fiancé) Hayes, Ryan (Nicole Roosma – girlfriend) Drake; Amelia Drake, Terry Oliver, Amanda Oliver, Tyler Oliver; great-grandchildren, Tristen

Jones, Bellah Jones, Daisy Bellar; aunt, Doris Ann Garrett and special sister, Ruby Templeton.

Pallbearers will be Terry Hayes, Ronnie Bellar, Danny Oliver, Taylor Hayes, Jamie Bellar, Kyle Jones and Tristen Jones. Honorary Pallbearers will be Ryan Drake - USAF, Matt Smith, Don Templeton, Terry Oliver and Tyler Oliver.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, P.O. Box 1000, Dept 142, Memphis, TN 38101-9908 or The Baby Blanket Ministry, C/O Bethel Baptist Church, 7022 Bethel Rd., Greenbrier, TN 37073. Online condolences may be made at [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Springfield Memorial Gardens

Springfield, TN 37172

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **25**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home Greenbrier  
2619 Hwy 41 S  
Greenbrier, TN 37073  
(615) 643-4000  
<https://austinandbell.com>

## Visitation

APR **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Rock Springs Baptist Church

## Funeral Service

APR **26**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Rock Springs Baptist Church

# Tribute Wall



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Austin & Bell Funeral Home - April 25, 2017 at 02:13 PM



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Austin & Bell Funeral Home - April 25, 2017 at 11:50 AM



“ KACEY CUNNINGHAM lit a candle in memory of Rachel Dean Tolley



KACEY CUNNINGHAM - April 25, 2017 at 09:44 AM

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“ *Kathy Mayo Henley lit a candle in memory of Rachel Dean Tolley*



Kathy Mayo Henley - April 24, 2017 at 05:09 PM

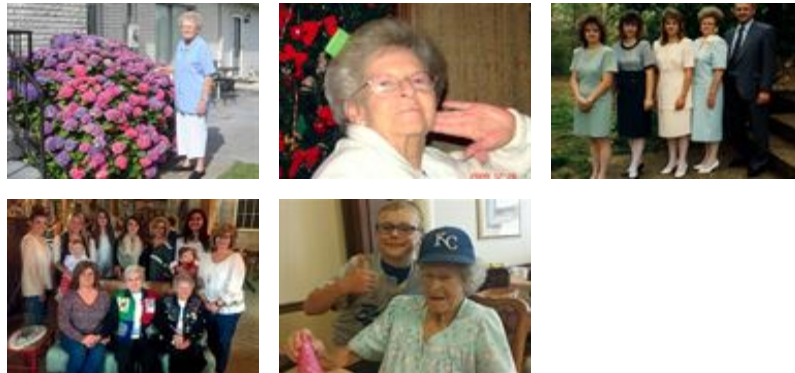
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*So sorry for your loss. Prayers for you all.*

Kathy Mayo Henley - April 24, 2017 at 05:11 PM



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Austin & Bell Funeral Home - April 24, 2017 at 03:24 PM

WJ

“ *Wanda And Joey Johnson lit a candle in memory of Rachel Dean Tolley*



wanda and joey johnson - April 23, 2017 at 07:55 PM

WJ

*donya and family so sorry for your loss prayers will be with you all*

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**wanda and joey johnson** - April 23, 2017 at 07:56 PM

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*Thank you Wanda that means a lot to each of us*

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**Donya Oliver** - April 24, 2017 at 01:58 PM

JY

*"You can remember her and only that she is gone  
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on  
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back  
Or you can do what she would want: smile, open your eyes, love and  
go on."*

*David Harkins (1959 – )*

*Rachel was a vibrant and treasured member of our Greenbrier High  
School class.*

*Please accept my sincere condolences.*

*John F. Yount*

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**JOHN YOUNT** - April 24, 2017 at 04:47 PM