



## Elizabeth Casto Frye

November 25, 1927 - January 8, 2021

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11/25/1927—01/08/2021

Elizabeth Casto Frye, long time resident of Wardensville, WV, died on Friday, January 8, 2021 in Lake Mary, Florida. She was 93.

Elizabeth was born on November 25, 1927 in Given, WV to George Wintford Casto and Ella (Hopkins) Casto.

She met Benjamin Link Frye, a veteran returned from WWII, when they were attending Berea College, and they began their 60-year marriage in a small ceremony on that campus on December 18, 1948 as he was graduating and she was finishing her junior year. They moved to Ben's hometown in Wardensville, WV where they started Ben's career as the town's Postmaster. Elizabeth and Ben built their home on a small farm near Wardensville where they raised two sons, Bill (William Miller) and Rod (Rodney Benjamin). As her youngest approached school age, Elizabeth completed her college degree at Shephard College and started her 29-year teaching career at Wardensville High School in the Fall of 1958. She taught English and Home Economics, and sponsored the Future Homemakers of America club. Many of her students remember the life skills that she taught so effectively, and some followed her into teaching careers. She was a dedicated wife and mother, a

wonderful cook, and active in the community. She was a member of St Peters Lutheran Church and the Wardensville Lions Club.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her husband, Ben; son Bill; her parents; twin sisters Lola Warner and Nola Fisher; and brother Denver Casto. She is survived by her son, Rod, his wife Lynn, and their children Charles Bryan (wife, Jessica) and Benjamin Robert; son Bill's widow, Barbara Frye, and their children William Benjamin Frye and Emily Garton (husband, Lee). There are five great-grandchildren: William Benjamin's daughter, Mallory Jane Frye; Emily's children, Esther Elizabeth Garton, Benjamin Link Garton, and Charles Thomas Garton; and Bryan's daughter, Aven Taliesen Frye.

Due to the COVID Pandemic, a celebration of life in Wardensville will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to:

The Lewis County 4-H Youth Foundation, Inc  
104 Center Avenue  
Weston, WV 26452

or

Wardensville Scholarship Fund  
PO Box 532  
Wardensville, WV 26851-0532.

The family wishes to thank the staff and management at Oakmonte Siena Assisted Living and Memory Care Center in Lake Mary for their kind and dedicated care for Elizabeth over her last years in Florida.



# Tribute Wall

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“ Elizabeth, my aunt by marriage and favored aunt by heart. She was always a great conversationalist, a wonderful cook, a loving wife, a deservedly proud mother and grandmother, and a family historian. She was always smiling and made you feel welcome at her home.

Her late brother, Denver, was my Father-in-law and my late husband, Daniel, grew up loving traditional deer hunts with his father on the Ben and Elizabeth Frye Farm. Elizabeth was raising her young sons and teaching school all while fixing big breakfasts and packing lunches for a bevy of hunters.

One Thanksgiving when Daniel and I were raising our own sons we spent the holiday visiting Ben and Elizabeth. Our youngest told me many years later that Thanksgiving dinner with the extended Frye family in Hardy County was an iconic one for him.

I will miss Elizabeth, her smile, her intellect, her hospitality, her stories of her youth, and most of all her friendship.

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