



Lois Marie Richards Hamm

December 1, 2018

Lois Marie Richards Hamm, 82, of Knoxville, Tennessee, died Saturday, December 1, 2018 from complications of Alzheimer's disease. She was born in Fordsville, Kentucky and grew up in Owensboro, Kentucky where she graduated from high school. In Knoxville, Lois worked as a secretary for many years – Ceil Heat, Chemical Separations and retired from Oak Ridge National Laboratory. She enjoyed her hobby of weaving reed baskets and was an accomplished basketmaker.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents, Noel and Ruby Richards. She is survived by her husband, Robert Hamm; three children; Charles Newbold III (Becky), Stacy Newbold, and Shelly Newbold; step-son, Robert Hamm, Jr. (Cindy); sister, Martha Crawford; and former son-in-law, Joseph Tolson. She is also survived by six grandchildren, Cody, Luke, and Zachary (Nikki) Newbold, Martina Whitehead (Chais); Emily and Matthew Tolson; and three great-grandchildren, Zoe, Eli, and Wylie.

A private interment was held in Owensboro. The family wishes to express appreciation for the assistance of UT Hospice during the last three years. Online condolences may be extended at www.rosemortuary.com

Comments



“ Lois was a wonderful lady that I had the pleasure of working with at ORNL for a short time. I loved her laugh! I could hear her laughing down the hall and couldn't help but want to laugh myself -- it was so infectious. She was a treasure and will be greatly missed by many.

Debbie Brown - December 12, 2018 at 04:29 PM



“ Lois was an amazing woman. She always made me feel as part of the family. She had the best laugh I've ever heard. I loved her cooking and she could make a great basket. Things were never boring when she was around. I will miss her a lot. I pray that God will comfort you in your time of grief. I know she is in a much better place. Love to all Joe Tolson

Joseph Tolson - December 09, 2018 at 07:39 PM



“ My dear Lois, I loved the short time I worked with you at the lab. You always made my day. Never a dull moment! Heaven surely rejoiced when you entered. We will miss you here. May God bless and comfort your family always. Kathleen Smith

Kathleen Smith - December 10, 2018 at 06:15 PM