



## Sarah Elizabeth Derry

February 23, 1923 - November 4, 2019

Sarah Elizabeth Derry, was born February 23, 1923, to the late George Derry and Susie Hodges Derry. She was the last born of 16 children. Sarah was a Henry Hyland Garnett High School graduate. At the age of 14, Sarah was employed by Dr. and Mrs. Dorothy Dick. She remained a true and faithful employee for over 50 years.

At the young age of 17, Sarah bought her home so she would have a place to take care of her mother and siblings. Even though she had no children of her own, Sarah raised more than 11 nieces and nephews, and even cared for a few of her mother's friends. Sarah provided care for many seniors in her community. She also assisted in raising Nancy, Alec and McDonald Dick. She always referred to them as, "her kids."

Sarah enjoyed working outside in the flowers, going to yard sales and humming all throughout the house. Sewing and hemming curtains was also something she loved to do, but her real passion was cooking, and what a great cook she was. One of her favorite dishes was white potato pie. Her recipe was some of this, a little of that and a pinch of this. We loved everything that she cooked. She also loved people and enjoyed company, playing cards, laughing, joking and dancing. She had a heart of gold and never turned anyone away, no matter what they needed, whether it was something to eat, a place to rest or a few dollars.

Sarah was an usher at Janes Church. She donated some of her cooking for church functions. She also belonged to the Elks and American Legion.

Sarah leaves to cherish her memories, a host of family members and friends.