



Jewel Lamb Stetler

July 29, 1930 - September 16, 2014

Mrs. Jewel Lamb Stetler, 84, of Rising Sun, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday evening, September 16, 2014, in her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born July 29, 1930, in High Point, North Carolina, a daughter of the late John Penn and Cora (Richardson) Lamb.

Jewel was the eighth child in a family of 12 and grew up on a farm near Asheboro, North Carolina. When just a teenager, someone invited her family to a brush arbor meeting where she was gloriously converted. She soon learned to "talk to God" and listen for His leadership in her life. One of those divine directives was her distinct impression that she should attend Bible college.

In the fall of 1948 God providentially worked things out for her to attend God's Bible School & College in Cincinnati, Ohio. While there, she met Kenneth P. Stetler from Attica, Indiana, and they were married on July 21, 1950. Soon after their marriage, Kenneth began pastoring and later was hired as a professor at the Bible College, a position that continued for most of his life. Their home was blessed with six children, and Jewel's "ministry" quickly became the responsibility of caring for those children and supporting Kenneth's pastoral and teaching duties. Together, they served five different

churches, touched the lives of hundreds of Bible college students, and reared a family that has followed in their footsteps.

After Jewel's own children were reared, she turned to a "calling" of helping other families. Her home became an open door to many parents who entrusted her with the care of their children. While this arrangement made it possible for her to save money towards retirement, she also used it as an opportunity to minister to those she helped. Long after baby sitting hours were over, parents would often still be sitting on her couch listening to her godly counsel. She never advertised her services, but she would readily declare that God sent people her way - doctors, lawyers, and other professional people who had little or no church exposure. What began as mere daycare, often became an opportunity to share timeless Bible principles.

When retirement years caused Kenneth and Jewel to leave Cincinnati, they moved to Rising Sun, Indiana. Jewel lost mobility and was not able to walk for several years. Her life of ministry, however, did not stop with her handicap. From her electric wheelchair, she would visit neighbors, stop at yard sales, and talk to people. Her telephone and pen became tools of influence. Letters and phone calls were the connecting links to those she cared for. She loved her family, her friends, her neighbors, and her church, and everyone reciprocated that love. Jewel's life was an example of true godliness. She lived for God and others. Her humble roots and her simple lifestyle did not hinder her from impacting the lives of others. On September 16, 2014, her earthly journey ended, but her influence remains! She has joined Kenneth, who left us just one month ago, on the shores of God's eternal home. Truly, she showed us how to live on our journey toward living forever!

Jewel is survived by her six children, P. Daniel (wife: Joan) Stetler of Hobe Sound, FL, David (wife: Marsha) Stetler of Mt. Airy, NC, Darrell (wife: Regina) Stetler of Burlington, KY, Frances Stetler of Penns Creek, PA, Stephen (wife:

Beth) Stetler of Edinburg, TX and Trilinda Stetler of Rising Sun, IN; 16 Grandchildren, Aimee (husband: Chad) Snider of Altamont, KS, Paul Stetler of Hobe Sound, FL, Elisa (husband: Mark) Calderon of Oklahoma City, OK, Julia Stetler and Sarah Stetler both of Hobe Sound, FL, Brent (wife: Denisa) Stetler of Frankfort, IN, Kendall (wife: Sherri) Stetler of Liberty, SC, Kelly Stetler and Benjamin (wife: Stacey) Stetler both of Hobe Sound, FL, Alisha Stetler of Mt. Airy, NC, Darrell Lee (wife: Elizabeth) Stetler II of Oklahoma City, OK, Merrilee (husband: Brant) Luther of Alliance, OH, Sherilyn (husband: Andrew) Stroud and Kenneth Agan Stetler both of Burlington, KY, Kent Stetler and Maria Stetler both of Cincinnati, OH; great-grandchildren, Gracie, Darrell Lee III, Heath, Caleb, Gideon, Brett, Brooke, Bryland, Wilson, Marshall and soon to arrive, Clarke Daniel; one brother, Frank (wife: Jackie) Lamb of Asheboro, NC; two sisters, Evelyn Thornton of Martinsville, VA and Bonnie (husband: Earl) Smith of West Milton, PA; a sister-in-law, Mary Lamb of Randleman, NC and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 64 years, Kenneth P. Stetler; siblings and their spouses, William "Bill" (wife: Georgia) Lamb, John (wife: Gladys) Lamb, Gurna (wife: Peggy) Lamb, Cora (husband: James) Lanier, Woodrow "Woody" (wife: Alice) Lamb, George Lamb, two infant brothers and a brother-in-law, Ed Thornton.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the Burlington Bible Methodist Church, 6529 Rogers Lane, Burlington, KY, with Jewel's four sons officiating. Burial will follow in Cedar Hedge Cemetery in Rising Sun, Indiana.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Friday at the church and an hour prior to the service Saturday.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Sproles Family Funeral Home, New Castle, Indiana.

You are invited to send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Mrs. Jewel Lamb Stetler.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hedge Cemetery

316 Downey St.
Rising Sun, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **19**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Burlington Bible Church
6529 Rogers Ln
Burlington, KY 41005

Service

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Burlington, KY 41005

Tribute Wall

TL

“ With Loving Sympathy and Prayers to the Stetler Family in the loss of their beloved parents. I apologize that this wasn't written sooner but I just learned of their passings. Your parents were a true example of "Walking with Christ". I can still see them walking across the GBS campus walking hand in hand. May your memories comfort you and the promise of Heaven sustain you till you Meet again!
~Teresa Lang-Tsingine, GBS Class of '83.

Teresa Lang-Tsingine - September 21, 2014 at 11:30 PM

DB

“ Sister Lois Schmul honored Sister Stetler in Women of Worth years ago because she was a solid Christian and raised a fine family, as well as being a great wife. I extend the honor today.

Dorothy. Jean Bixler - September 21, 2014 at 01:16 PM



“ Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jewel Lamb Stetler.



September 19, 2014 at 08:39 PM

CR

“ Dear Stetler family, We sorrow for your loss for your loss of both Daddy and Mother in such a short time, but what joy they are having being together again. So blessed we are to have had the priviledge of knowing them and their godly lives. Our love and prayers,
Clint and Darla Ritchey

Clint and Darla Ritchey - September 19, 2014 at 09:22 AM

JL

“ Warmest condolences to David and Marsha. May heaven's comfort bring you peace of heart and mind. Although I did not know Sis. Stetler, she leaves you an amazing legacy of goodness, godliness, and grace. May her influence live among all of your family exactly as she so vividly portrayed Christlikeness.

Jerry Lambeth - September 19, 2014 at 05:47 AM

JH

“ Sis. Stetler was always someone I looked up to! Although, i didn't see her alot during college days....except maybe hanging out clothes early in the mornings....she definately impacted my life the way she cared for her family. I am thankful for her life and the legacy she has left behind!

Joan Hutchison - September 18, 2014 at 07:17 PM

CD

“ Cara Hemrick DeFriece lit a candle in memory of Jewel Lamb Stetler



Cara Hemrick DeFriece - September 18, 2014 at 06:50 PM

JB

“ It seems I am at a loss for words at times like this. How can you express the impact of a person on your life? I was not in there home much but I remember a couple Sunday dinners when I was in nursing school. I was so impressed that Sis Stetler would come in from church, sit down and entertain me and my roommate while Bro Stetler and the boys would be in the kitchen finishing Sunday dinner and later washing dishes. She had such wisdom for us-just in the way she walked a close walk with God and served as a example of a Godly wife. She has reached her final reward where she is stepping lively and praising God! If we can "humanize" heaven I know she and Bro Stetler are walking hand in hand having the time of their life! So sorry previous commitments will keep me from the viewing and funeral.

Janet Burton - September 18, 2014 at 05:48 PM

CR

“ Thank-you, Sis. Stetler, for the times that you shared some of your life and experiences with me. I have remembered them down through the years, and cherish them. I am so sorry for the family as they once again have to follow a coffin to the cemetery, but I am not sorry for her. She is rejoicing in heaven now. May God encourage and strength each member of her family at this time and through the days to come. Dan and Carole Roush

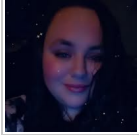
Carole Roush - September 18, 2014 at 05:29 PM

LH

“ Linda Hanes lit a candle in memory of Jewel Lamb Stetler



Linda Hanes - September 18, 2014 at 05:01 PM



“ *Cynthia Laughlin lit a candle in memory of Jewel Lamb Stetler*



Cynthia Laughlin - September 18, 2014 at 02:48 PM

WB

“ *We are so sorry for another loss to your family. We rejoice at the reunion in Heaven! May God draw close to all of you. Prayers for all.*

Wesley and Robin Bennett - September 18, 2014 at 12:35 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jewel Lamb Stetler.*



September 18, 2014 at 11:45 AM

JD

“ *Thank you, Sis. Stetler, for choosing throughout your lifetime to follow the Leading of the Holy Spirit. You have now joined Bro. Stetler in rejoicing at the end of life's Christian race. You leave here on earth a Godly family to continue following the Scriptural principles that so greatly influenced you.*
Rev. & Mrs. Jim Davis

Jim Davis - September 18, 2014 at 11:37 AM

JA

“ *She always had a smile! I can remember her at church when I was a little girl! My life was blessed because of her! My love and prayers to the family.*

Jane Roush Allard - September 18, 2014 at 11:01 AM

PA

“ *She has fought the good fight, She has finished the course, She has kept the faith.*

Paulo Albuquerque - September 18, 2014 at 09:17 AM

CM

“ *Charlie Marck purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Jewel Lamb Stetler.*



Charlie Marck - September 18, 2014 at 06:47 AM

GS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Stetler family. Jewell was a lady who lead with strength and confidence.*

G. Clair Sams - September 17, 2014 at 03:50 PM