



## Gail Ann Purvis Black

March 31, 1938 - July 28, 2015

Gail Ann Purvis Black passed away peacefully in her sleep on July 28, 2015.

She was born on March 31, 1938 in Edgeworth, PA to William F. Purvis, Sr. and Dorothy Mae Knecht, both of whom preceded her in death.

Gramma Gail was a long time resident of Butte Valley and was loved by all who knew her. She was an avid crafter who loved teddy bears, tea parties and what she liked to call “trashy treasures”. She was an extra special lady with a huge heart, who loved her children and grandchildren unconditionally. She will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

She is survived by daughters, Laurie Lewis of Springfield, OR, Mindy Hill & husband Bill of Dorris, CA; granddaughter Lydia Hill & fiancé Gustavo Lopez, grandson Spencer Hill, special granddaughter Annie Garrison & husband Kyle, special great-grandson Cole Robert Garrison; brother and sister in law Gus & Joann Purvis, sister and brother in law Linda & Jack Burrow; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Donald Black, son Scott Black, and brothers, Bill Purvis and Ed Purvis.

A celebration of Gail’s life will be held on Saturday, August 29th at 2:00 pm at

the Shasta View Church of the Nazarene, 805 Picard Rd, Dorris, CA.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG **29**. 2:00 PM (PT)

Shasta View Church of the Nazarene  
805 Picard Road  
Dorris, CA 96023

# Tribute Wall

CC

“ *Gail was awesome lady now she can have Tea parties with Miss Judy luv u Miss Gail*

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**Connie Coronel** - August 22, 2015 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Connie Coronel lit a candle in memory of Gail Ann Purvis Black*



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**Connie Coronel** - August 22, 2015 at 05:00 PM

JT

“ *I will never forget the wonderful smiles and all the warm hugs Gail gave me over the years. She was a beacon of light to all of her family and friends. I still have a teddy bear that Gail helped me make. It was my first trip to Dorris, and the first time I met Gail. She would always go out of her way to pass on her knowledge about her crafts.*

*I will dearly miss her, but it is a comfort to know that she has been reunited with family & friends that have passed.*

*Thank you to her family for giving me this opportunity to leave a cherished memory. Love, Jacquelynne*

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**Jacquelynne Tanguay** - August 05, 2015 at 03:55 AM

JV

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Gail. Mindy and family our prayers go out to you, she was a very strong lady with a beautiful heart. She definitely will be missed. RIP Gail...  
*Bill and Julia Vercellotti*



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**Julia Vercellotti** - August 03, 2015 at 09:38 PM

JA

“ Yes, a great lady with a wonderful Christian testimony. She always supported the youth with their fundraisers. I am thankful we have some of her craft items used to decorate our home.

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**Janice** - August 03, 2015 at 08:35 PM

VB

“ Rip Mom Gail. Gail wad always like a mother to me after I lost my Mother in 2001. Her Heart was always filled with warmth to everyone. She will be missed.

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**Victor Buker** - August 03, 2015 at 05:52 PM



“ There are to many memories to post them all. You were my light on dark days, you always made me giggle. You and uncle Don supported me through everything. You were never mean or judgemental you just gave compassion at all times. Mindy and Aunt Joann will be my rocks when I need a momma bear. Love you auntie and one day we will finish all those projects you wanted to do. Love you forever.

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**Melissa Purvis** - August 03, 2015 at 05:30 PM

WV

*I will always remember Gail with that great smile and never a bad word about anyone. She will be greatly missed.*

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**Wilda and Danny Vanderboegh** - August 04, 2015 at 11:25 AM

JS

*I have many special memories of Gail. I can truly say I only know of one other lady who always showed Jesus Christ Love, Always Smiling, Giving Encouragement when needed, and Never Says An Unkind Word about Anyone and that is my mama. Mindy you will never know how much your mother touched my life as I cannot put into words the many chats we had. I will dearly miss her but I know that she is with your Daddy and that some day I too will be able to meet up with her again and have a Greater Chat since she will already have met with Jesus and she can share with me what I have been missing. I love you Gail and I treasure each chat we had.*

*Jenn*

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**Jennifer Skoog** - August 05, 2015 at 09:56 AM

MA

*So sorry to see this. Mindy & family, you will be in my prayers.*

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**Mary** - August 05, 2015 at 05:32 PM

JC

*Such a kind and caring lady. If you can be totally outgoing in a quiet way, that is the way I will remember Gail. Mindy and family, I am so sorry for your loss. She left a great legacy for people to follow. I am happy to have so many of her crafts, especially at Christmas to remember her.*

*Judi Cochrane*

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**Judith Cochrane** - August 05, 2015 at 09:13 PM