



Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley

October 30, 1933 - June 3, 2022

Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley, 88, formerly of Albany, died Friday, June 3 at her residence in Dacula, Ga. A longtime resident of Albany, Mrs. Ridley was a member of First Baptist Church. Born October 30, 1933, she was the daughter of John B. and Florence Chapman of Chula, Ga.

Mrs. Ridley and her husband, Nat, were actively involved at First Baptist where they made lifelong friends. She spent her professional life in education, including as a paraprofessional in the Dougherty County School System. She served as preschool director and nursery coordinator at First Baptist Church for many years. She retired in 1995, after which she was active in ministry organizations at FBC, as well as enjoying travel and visits with her family.

Mrs. Ridley had a wry sense of humor, a demanding sweet tooth, and a deep-seated love for her family. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Nat Ridley; her parents; and her sisters, Joy Chapman Thomas, and Susan Chapman. Survivors include her three children, David Ridley and his wife Glenda, of Charleston, SC; daughter Anna McDonald, of Dacula, GA; son John Ridley and his wife Julie, of Marietta, GA; her eight grandchildren, Catherine Ridley, Stephen Ridley, Laura Hunter, Matthew McDonald, Mary Kate McDonald, Emily Moraru, Rebekah Ridley, and Jeannie Ridley; three great grandchildren, Luke and Audrey Hunter, and Nathan Ridley; and brother John Chapman, of Sylvester, GA. She was extremely proud of her family.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, June 10, at Kimbrell Stern Funeral Home at 3:00pm, with interment to follow at Crown Hill Cemetery. The family will receive visitors for one hour prior to the service.

Precious to the Lord is the death of his saints. Psalm 116:15.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-6600

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 10. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern
1503 Dawson Road
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-4152
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com?>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“*Mary was such a blessing to our family all those years at First Baptist. She was a warm and caring nursery coordinator and everyone, children and parents alike, adored her. Pray the Father’s comfort to this family.*

Tom and Julie Walker

Julie Walker - June 13, 2022 at 03:44 PM

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“*I was sad to hear about your mother passing away David, Anna, and John and am comforted knowing where she is now. I have so many great memories of your parents and y’all. I wish I could share my sympathy with you in person but I just now learned of her passing. Your parents were always great friends and neighbors to our family and I treasure the memories. I still miss the figs they would share every year. Never had better. All the best to you guys.*



Steve Garner - June 12, 2022 at 09:04 PM



“*Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley.*



June 09, 2022 at 12:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley.*



June 08, 2022 at 11:30 PM



“ *Mary, May the Lord Bless you and Keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you and give you peace, and give you peace!*

From Sharon and Joe Thomas

joe thomas - June 07, 2022 at 07:42 PM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley.*



June 07, 2022 at 07:16 PM



“ *COUSIN DONNA WHIDDON, AND CHILDREN purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley.*



COUSIN DONNA WHIDDON, AND CHILDREN - June 06, 2022 at 02:28 PM

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“ *Dave and Becky Padgett purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Mrs. Mary Jean Ridley.*



Dave and Becky Padgett - June 06, 2022 at 01:07 PM