



Mrs. Ruby Atkins Thornton

February 16, 1927 - August 3, 2016

Ruby Thornton Obituary

Mrs. Ruby Atkins Thornton died, Wednesday, August 3, 2016, at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in Albany, GA. The Family will receive friends during visitation from 5-7 PM on Friday, August 5, 2016 at Kimbrell-Stern. A memorial service will be held in honor of Mrs. Thornton at 10 AM on Saturday, August 6, 2016.

Mrs. Thornton was preceded in death by her husband, Willie James Thornton; and her brothers, Jack Atkins and Benny Atkins.

She worked as a lunch room manager for over 31 years, working at Mock Road Elementary and Isabella School in the school cafeteria. Ruby was awarded the Lucille T. Watson Award of Excellence from the Georgia School Food Service on April 24, 1982. She was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, where she also sang in the church choir. She was a loving and caring mother and grandmother.

She is survived by; her sons, James Glendy Thornton (Shiela), John Thomas Thornton (Sylvia), and Bobby Joe Thornton; her brother, Robert Atkins; her sister, Dorothy Hibberts; her grandsons, Jayme Thornton and David Michael King; her granddaughter, Amber Lynn Lamb (Mike) and four great-grandchildren.

To share your thoughts with the Thornton family you may visit our website at www.kimbrellstern.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors
1503 Dawson Rd.
Albany, GA 31707

Memorial Service

AUG 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ruby Atkins Thornton*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Ruby Atkins Thornton*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *This is Angela Atkins Patterson. She was Aunt Ruby to me. She was my Great Aunt. I am Jack's granddaughter. I am so sorry for your loss.*

I remember the laughter and joy that always shined through Ruby and W.J. I'm sad that I missed the opportunity to see her one more time.

I was searching for her his morning to plan a trip to Albany to visit and connect with her sons. My daddy, Paul Atkins, died in April of this year. He spoke fondly of Ruby and Tommy and Glendy and the times he spent with them. I would still love to come to Albany to meet and get to know the people that my father loved so much. Please contact me on Facebook, and I can give you my direct contact information.

Angela Patterson - August 21, 2016 at 06:29 AM



“ Mrs ruby was a big part of my life i would seat there for hours talking with her and my grandma would come and talk with us as while! When i got the news of mrs rubys death a part of me died right then cause i know ill no longer be able to see or hear mrs ruby while im on earth! But now she will no longer fill pain nor sorrow!



Christopher Etheredge - August 09, 2016 at 10:03 AM



“ Mrs ruby was a close friend of mine! I helped my grandma do hair up,at the nursing home! It didnt take, long for me and mrs ruby to grow a bond i tried to go see here every week i was able! And now im going to miss my friend i always lighted up her day when i came! Rip mrs. Ruby i will always remember the memorys we shared!

Christopher Etheredge - August 09, 2016 at 09:58 AM



“ Ms. Ruby was such a sweet lady. I remember her as being a good friend of my mother's. My mother was Louise Whitman, who was the child nutrition director for Dougherty county schools for many years before her death in 1981. As a child I attended conferences many times with mama, and I remember your mother well. Prayers for you all. Marilyn Whitman Gibson

Marilyn Whitman Gibson - August 04, 2016 at 09:36 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruby Atkins Thornton.*



August 04, 2016 at 07:54 PM



“ *Ms. Ruby was such a sweet lady who always had a smile.*

Carol - August 04, 2016 at 06:18 PM



“ *I enjoyed seeing Ms. Ruby at nursing home when I went to visit my mother.
such a sweet lady and I loved her and will miss her very much. Love
and prayers to the family.*

imogene harrah - August 04, 2016 at 01:54 PM