



Jo Ann Steele Woodyard

December 11, 1935 - August 1, 2024

Jo Ann Steele Woodyard, 88, of Rising Fawn, GA, passed away peacefully on Thursday, August 1, 2024.

Mrs. Woodyard was a member of Rising Fawn Baptist Church for more than 75 years and loved praising and serving her Savior through singing. She had a deep love for children and the crown jewels of her life were her grandchildren. Having a love for animals, she always kept food and water in her car to feed animals that were lost or abandoned along the way. As a founding member of the South Dade Community Center in Rising Fawn, she dedicated countless hours of service for over 30 years as a volunteer. Jo Ann retired from the Department of Family & Children's Services following twenty years of service.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Owen Woodyard, Jr., parents, Carl V. & Dalpha Riddle Steele, and siblings, Nioma McMahan, Ronald, Carl, & David Steele, & Nancy Sisk.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Roger (Gloria) Woodyard & Judy (Steve) Woodyard Paynter; grandchildren, Laura (Andrew) Paynter Hill, Jordan (Emma) Paynter, & Emily Paynter; great-grandchildren, Judson & Harrison Hill, Luke, Graham, Henry, & Eloise Paynter.

A special thank you is extended to the staff of Dade Health & Rehab for the wonderful care given for the past four years. You may share online condolences at ryanfuneralhome.net.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Tommy Crider officiating. Mrs. Woodyard will be laid to rest at Hanna Cemetery in Rising Fawn.

The family will receive friends on Friday, August 16th from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, August 17th from 10:00 a.m. until the funeral hour at Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.

Cemetery Details

Hanna Cemetery

Highway 11 South
Rising Fawn, GA 30738

Previous Events

Receive Friends

AUG 16. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory
11415 S Main St
PO Box 506
Trenton, GA 30752
(706) 657-7525
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AUG 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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Ryan Funeral Home - August 16, 2024 at 02:22 PM



“ 188 files added to the album *Life Tributes* ”



Ryan Funeral Home - August 16, 2024 at 10:18 AM

RF

“ Rick and Samantha Fromm purchased the Full O f Love Bouquet for the family of Jo Ann Steele Woodyard.



Rick and Samantha Fromm - August 15, 2024 at 04:33 PM

LT

“ I absolutely love Jo Ann & I'm so glad that I know I'm going to see her again someday. I have so many memories of singing in the choir with her at RFBC. We shared a lot of laughs & I'm thankful to know she is at complete peace today.



Lori Tomblin - August 15, 2024 at 03:11 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Steele Woodyard.



August 14, 2024 at 08:58 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Steele Woodyard.



August 13, 2024 at 06:59 PM

PR

“ Pamela Rambarran lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodyard



Pamela Rambarran - August 13, 2024 at 11:33 AM

PR

“ I have such wonderful memories of the times I spent with Jo Ann. She had such a way of making one feel loved and valued and she was a great witness of God's love for others. She also had a sense of humor like no other and I used to get so tickled at how her and Roger would cut up with each other and tease each other! She will be missed by many and will forever have a special place in my heart.

Pamela Rambarran - August 13, 2024 at 11:32 AM

JA

“ Jo Ann was a wonderful person and relative. Always loved to hear her sing. Proverbs 3: 5-6 Jerry & Linda Blevins Atkins

Jerry & Linda Atkins - August 11, 2024 at 08:16 PM

BS

“ Loved that JoAnn!! She was a wonderful human being. One of the most faithful people to her Lord and the Rising Fawn Baptist church..she loved her church family. I'm thankful I got to be in her life and come too love her much. She put joy into life.

Brenda Steele - August 10, 2024 at 09:45 AM



“ *Barbara Castleberry lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodyard*



Barbara Castleberry - August 09, 2024 at 11:36 AM