



## Mary Elizabeth Ross

August 21, 1925 - June 4, 2022

Mary Elizabeth Lankford Thomas Ross, 96, of Trenton, GA, went to heaven on Saturday, June 4, 2022, surrounded by her family.

Mrs. Ross was born on August 21, 1925 to the late Arvilla Perry & Charles Douglas Lankford in Tracy City, TN. She graduated from Grundy County High School in 1943 & Middle Tennessee State University in 1964. She retired from the Dade County School System following 33 years of service. Mrs. Ross held memberships with Trenton United Methodist Church, Retired Teacher Association, N.E.A., D.E.A., & G.A.E. She was a loving mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, friend & devoted teacher and was preceded in death by her husbands, Fred Thomas & Lee Doug Ross, son, Fred Douglas Thomas, daughter, Darlene Austin, sister, Adele Payne, brother, C.R. Lankford, sons-in-law, Robert Taylor & Dale Hooks, daughter-in-law, Carol Thomas, & great-grandson, Little Rob Taylor. She will be greatly missed by all.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Brenda (Glen) Levan, Winter Haven, FL, Bobbie Taylor, Cartersville, GA, Rosemary (Ricky) Stephens, Trenton, GA, Fred Thomas, Trenton, GA, Buntie Hooks, Waycross, GA, Valerie Ross, Chattanooga, TN, Chuck Ross, TX, John (Jen) Ross, Battle Ground, WA; son-in-law, David Austin, Ringgold, GA; adopted brother & sister, Buddy & Teresa Wiggins, Tracy City, TN; 26 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, 8 great-great-grandchildren; devoted sitter, Sharon Brodie,

Ringgold, GA;

Funeral services will be held on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Mike King officiating. Interment will follow in Lake Hills Memorial Gardens.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared at [ryanfuneralhome.net](http://ryanfuneralhome.net).

The family will receive friends on Sunday, June 12th from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. and on Monday from 12:00 p.m. until the service hour at Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Hills Memorial Gardens

206 Lake Hills Drive  
Trenton, GA 30752  
(706) 657-4242

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 12.** 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory  
11415 S Main St  
PO Box 506  
Trenton, GA 30752  
(706) 657-7525  
steven.ryan@ryanfuneralhome.net  
<https://www.ryanfuneralhome.net/>

## Visitation

**JUN 13.** 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory  
11415 S Main St  
PO Box 506  
Trenton, GA 30752  
(706) 657-7525  
steven.ryan@ryanfuneralhome.net  
<https://www.ryanfuneralhome.net/>

## Service

---

JUN 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory  
11415 S Main St  
PO Box 506  
Trenton, GA 30752  
(706) 657-7525  
steven.ryan@ryanfuneralhome.net  
<https://www.ryanfuneralhome.net/>

# Tribute Wall

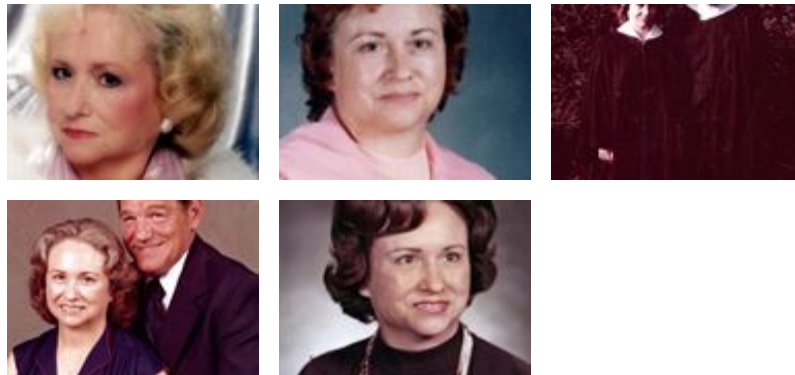


“ *Mary Elizabeth Ross*

October 09, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *65 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Ryan Funeral Home - June 10, 2022 at 12:15 PM

RB

“ *Am very saddened to hear of Mrs. Ross passing. She was my 7th grade English teacher. One of the best teachers I ever had. I have thought of her often throughout the years. My sincerest condolences to her friends and lover ones.*

*Ronald "wise" baldwin*

Ronald baldwin - June 08, 2022 at 02:50 PM

JO

“ The members of the State of Dade Retired Educators Association extend our deepest sympathies to the family of Mrs. Mary Ross on the occasion of her death. She was a valued and dedicated educator who supported the schools and students of Dade County in many ways over the years. She was a lovely person and will live on the memories of those who had the opportunity to know her

Joy Odom - June 08, 2022 at 08:54 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Elizabeth Ross.



June 08, 2022 at 08:37 AM

JC

“ John Ross, Jen and children purchased the Deepest Faith for the family of Mary Elizabeth Ross.



John Ross, Jen and children - June 07, 2022 at 11:05 PM

FG

“ I was a student of Mrs. Thomas in the 6th and 7th grades at Plainview Elementary in Tracy City, TN. I remember her being a very kind and understanding person. I am truly sorry for your loss.  
Floyd Gibbs

Floyd Gibbs - June 07, 2022 at 05:28 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mary Elizabeth Ross.* ”



---

June 06, 2022 at 09:44 PM