



Ruthie Mae Terrell

OCT 5, 1925 - MAY 13, 2024



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Ruthie Mae Pierce Terrell, affectionately known as “Mama Ruthie,” “Mom,” “Nana,” “Grandma,” and “Bitty,” by her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and godchildren, transitioned into the arms of her Loving Savior on Monday, May 13, 2024. She was born on October 5, 1925 to Anderson Pierce and Rosa Anna Tucker in Chattanooga, Tennessee in a little community called Brown’s Alley, located just off of E. 9th Street. She attended Chattanooga Public Schools until she reached her senior year, when she went to work in her uncle and aunt’s café and as a maid and babysitter for several families. She met and married the love of her life, James C. Terrell, Sr., and to this union God blessed them with 3 sons and 3 daughters. Then, in 1983, she went back to school at age 58 and earned her High School Diploma! Until her eyesight began to dim from Glaucoma, Ruthie was an avid reader! She was in several book clubs and loved mystery, romance, suspense as well as several magazine subscriptions. Ruthie was a loving wife and wonderful homemaker, and devoted mother as well as caregiver for her husband of 44 years and youngest daughter, Julie, until they passed away. She was also babysitter to almost all her grandchildren and some of her great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Anderson Pierce and Rosa Anna Tucker; stepfather, Edward Tucker; her husband, James C. Terrell, Sr.; 7 brothers; 1 sister; 2 sons, James C. Terrell, Jr. and Kenneth D. Terrell; 2 daughters, Marsha E. Savage and Julie C. Terrell; 2 great-grandsons, Javante Terrell and Michael James Gustus, Jr. She is survived by her daughter, Beverly (Ray) Harrington; her son, Oliver H. (Evelyn) Terrell; 10 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren, 8 great-great-grandchildren; very devoted and loving Godchildren from the Grimes Family—Malvin, Denise, Albert, Margaret, Jeffrey, Jessie, and Sara Grimes; a host of other relatives and friends. The family wishes to express thanks and much gratitude for the many prayers, calls, text messages, and other acts of kindness during this very difficult time. Also, a special heartfelt thanks to Hospice of Chattanooga—Brenda Wagner, RN, CNA’s Cel and Nedra, Social Worker and volunteer sitters. Ruthie will lie-in-state on Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 12 noon in the chapel with Reverend Gerald Spence, Sr. as the eulogist. Burial in Highland Memorial Gardens. Directions for Live Stream: Click on the link below to view the service.

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Events

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Lie-In-State

Thursday, May 23, 2024

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

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3417 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga TN 37411



Service

Thursday, May 23, 2024

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM ET

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Cemetery Details

Highland Memorial Gardens
TN





Tribute Wall

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Wylene Deloach sent a virtual gift in honor of Ruthie.

Condolence from Wylene F. Deloach and Family. RIP

May 24 at 5:41 AM



Taylor Funeral Home Of Chattanooga, Inc. shared a video to the **Cemetery Service - Ruthie Terrell** album.

May 23 at 11:44 AM



WD **Wylene Deloach** May 24 at 5:42 AM
RIH



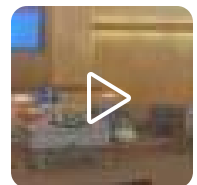
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Gloria Daniels lit a candle in honor of Ruthie.

Our hearts are saddened to say goodbye, but God knows best and she is finally in his hands now. In loving memory of Mrs Ruthie Terrell The Daniels family

May 23 at 7:39 AM





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WD

Wylene Deloach lit a candle in honor of Ruthie.
RIP. Sorry for your loss. Childhood friend Wylene F. Deloach You will be missed

May 22 at 5:15 PM



CF

Carmen Sales & Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Terrell family.

May 22 at 2:53 PM



TA

The Crane Family, Valarie, Linda And Dan planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Ruthie.

May 22 at 8:25 AM



TA

The Crane Family, Valarie, Linda And Dan sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Terrell family.

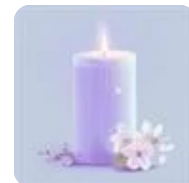
May 22 at 8:25 AM



GM

Glenda & Ben Morgan lit a candle in honor of Ruthie.
Condolences are sent to the entire family! Glenda & Ben Morgan

May 21 at 1:11 PM



SS

Sheila C Spence posted:

To The Family. You have my Condolences and Prayers. I New Her Very well and she was a sweet and beautiful Lady. May The Lord Bless The Whole Family With Comfort and Peace. Love you all. Pastor's Gerald And Sheila Bomar Spence.

May 20 at 8:38 AM



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Gwen Davis-Reel lit a candle in honor of Ruthie.

Prayers for Trina and her family 🙏 Wayne and Gwen Reel

May 18 at 6:59 AM



Phyllis Patten Fleming lit a candle in honor of Ruthie.

Lit a candle I memory of Mrs. Ruthie Terrell

May 17 at 10:19 PM



Joyce Reynolds posted:

Our love and prayers are going up to our Heavenly Father for Beverly(my prayer partner for many years), Ray and the family for the Lord to surround you with so much love and that every need that you have be met in the transitioning of your loved one.HE has truly manifested HIS peace and comfort in you!!!Steve and Joyce Reynolds

May 17 at 1:14 PM



Trina shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My "Bitty"...Thank you for helping raise me in your home for the first 20 years of my life and for the continued love and support shown when I started a family of my own. I admire your faith, strength and determination you showed while caring for mom for 30+ years up until her passing at 66 last May. Her birthday was yesterday and so was your transition to a better place. I love and will miss you dearly. This is my favorite picture ever!!

May 14 at 4:37 AM



Robert Bookie Jones May 16 at 3:55 PM

One of our mothers on Terrell street, will truly be missed love you Mrs Terrell rest in paradise...



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Janice Smith lit a candle in honor of Ruthie.

MANY PRAYERS OF COMFORT BEING SENT TO ALL I AM MOST THANKFUL FOR COUSIN RUTHIE AND THE COVERSATIONS WE HAD WE ALWAYS KIND AND UPLIFTING...GODSHE CAN REST NOW BECAUSE SHE IS WITH OUR LOVING SAVIOUR.

May 13 at 11:21 PM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ruthie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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