



Mary Jean Russell

JAN 30, 1945 - AUG 20, 2025



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Mary Jean King Russell, “Sweet Honnee”, 80, of Chattanooga, passed away Wednesday, August 20, 2025, in a local healthcare facility. Mary, lovingly known as “Sweet Honnee,” was born on January 30, 1945, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, to the late Ananias and Nina Russell.

Mary graduated from Riverside High School, where she studied Cosmetology. She enjoyed a long career as a self-employed beautician and later worked in the Security/Dispatch department at Erlanger Hospital. One of her greatest passions was being part of the Ham Radio community, where she was known by her handle “Sweet Honnee.” Mary was also an avid crafter, with a particular love for crochet and various other crafts. She found joy in creating beautiful handmade items and sharing her creations with family and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her brother, Jeffery Russell; and her sister, Dorothy Upshaw Jones.

She is survived by her beloved brothers, Ananias Russell, Bennett Russell, Joseph (Phyllis) Russell, and Willie (Sonya) Russell, all of Chattanooga; her sister, Patricia Wesley of Chattanooga; uncle, Walter Strong of Desoto, TX; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and close family friends.

Mary will be deeply missed for her kindness, her dedication to her family, and her warm, loving spirit. Her memory will forever be cherished by those whose lives she touched.

Mary will lie-in-state on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 12 noon in the Chapel with Dr. Darrell Wesley as the Eulogist. Burial in Greenwood Cemetery.



Events

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Lie-In-State

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

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3417 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga TN 37411-1076



Funeral Service

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM ET

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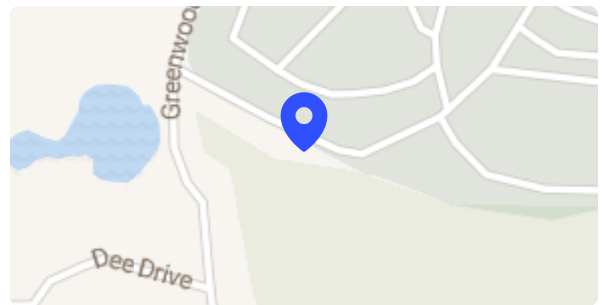


Burial

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

2:00 PM - 2:30 PM ET

Greenwood Cemetery
1954 Greenwood Road, Chattanooga TN 37406-2658





Tribute Wall

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DY

Dorothy J Young lit a candle in honor of Mary.



August 30 at 12:52 PM

DY **Dorothy J Young** August 30 at 12:57 PM

Mary, no more sickness and disappointments. Rest in peace. I'll always keep wonderful memories of you in conversations at your house. Those were fun times.

SM

Sharron Sims McClarty lit a candle in honor of Mary.



August 27 at 3:07 PM

LR

Lakeya Russell lit a candle in honor of Mary.



August 27 at 8:52 AM

MT

Marva Taylor lit a candle in honor of Mary.



August 26 at 2:10 AM

EM

Elaine Mickler posted:

We loved Mary she took us under her wing as young people Elaine and Denise and taught us to be Christians what it was like to follow christ and what the Bible said We studied and read it for ourselves never forget her so many memories that saw e all three shared our love and prayers for the family. Amen

August 25 at 3:58 PM



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VM

Valery Mcconnell lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 25 at 12:18 PM



BF

Blackmon Family sent a virtual gift in honor of Mary.

August 24 at 10:25 AM



LD

Linda Davis lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 24 at 10:24 AM



HH

Hilda Harris Hardaway lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 23 at 8:29 PM



HH

Hilda Harris Hardaway posted:

HILDA HARRIS HARDAWAY

August 23 at 8:28 PM

GW

Gwendolyn Faye Westmoreland lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 23 at 7:34 PM





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BS

Beverly Sales lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 23 at 4:56 PM



DB

Dirria Bell lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 23 at 3:46 PM



SS

Sonya Stiggers lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 23 at 3:41 PM



AR

Alma Russell lit a candle in honor of Mary.

August 22 at 5:37 PM



DH **Darlene Houston** August 26 at 4:45 AM

Mary was a sweet sister...She kept you laughing...She truly loved her crafts... and her "CB"
.Sending warm wishes to the Russell/Wesley/Watkins family.

AR **Alma Russell** August 22 at 5:38 PM

U will be miss rest in peace and no more pain



Memories only last if you share them

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



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