



Ruby Franscine Wilburn

October 17, 1939 - July 15, 2025

Ruby Franscine Wilburn was born October 17, 1939, in Chestnut Mountain, Hall County, Georgia. She was the first of eight children born to the union of the late Hubert and Mildred (nee. Adams) Millsap. She quietly slept away from this earthly life on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at the Waters of Fort Wayne in Indiana to live with our Lord and Savior forever.

She accepted Christ at an early age at the Cross Plains Baptist Church and was very fond of the late Rev. W.H. Coverson. She attended Greater Timber Ridge and St, John Baptist Churches and later in life the Antioch Baptist Church on occasions. She enjoyed the sermons and fellowship of Reverends Eugene Green and Rodney Lackey, Sr.

Ms. Ruby, as she was known by many, attended Mt. Zion Church School, Northwestern Baptist and Fair Street Schools. She worked several jobs in her life span including Mar-Jac Poultry and others, Leece-Neville Corporation and retiring from Wrigley's Chewing Gum Factory in 2000,

She had many hobbies such as word finds, shopping, traveling, sewing, crocheting, upholstering, crafting, making floral arrangements, and of course baking, most were fans of her Key Lime and Carmel Iced Cakes. But my favorite was the German Chocolate that I received on every birthday. We shared many times decorating specialty cakes; she was the baker and I the

decorator. But, like most moms' she was a great cook, and her potato salad, greens, cabbage and cornbread were the best. She made sure everyone had a plate, and most of the time delivering it herself. She was a lady on the go. Mom also loved music, Rhythm & Blues and Black Gospel. She was talented, petite, soft-spoken, patient, independent, about business and firm in her convictions.

She was a great provider and supporter of her family. She loved her grandchildren. If she thought, you needed it you had it. She did not believe in making differences in anyone. She sacrificed a lot of time to make sure others had. If she went out to eat, so did you, and she paid for it. While shopping if it was in multiple colors and she really liked it, she bought every color and possibly a set for you. She was always taking someone somewhere, running an errand or picking them up.

Mom was a great seamstress, hostess and salesperson. Many people came to the home for alterations, or bringing a pattern and materials (fabric) for outfits tailored by her. Lots of parties and family get togethers, over the years with Sarah Coventry Jewelry, Amway and Tupperware parties in the 70's were held in the home along with a wedding or two on the patio. She also was a great Bid Whiz card player.

Ruby was married to the late Winfred Nathaniel Wilburn for 38 years before his untimely passing in 2000. Preceding her also in death were her son, the Rev. Freddie Lamar Millsap, brothers, Salathiel, Douglas MacArthur "Doug", James Clyde "Pee Wee", Dariel and Lamar Millsap; a sister, Malbree (Robert Willie - deceased) Davenport; half-brother, James Edward "Bug" Lipscomb; sisters-in-law, Margaret Clarke and Hazel B. Wilburn; a nephew; Stacey Millsap; a niece, Mercia and Roshea Millsap; father & mother in-law, Leadus & Estella (nee. Pace) Wilburn; a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Her grandparents, Momma and Papa, as she would tell stories of them, Pearl

(nee. Chandler) & James Adams; and Sam & Bessie (nee. Dowdy) Millsap.

Ruby leaves a legacy of love, devotion and many precious memories to her son, Reggie Wilburn (Lois Johnson, Shoclynn Williams, Alivia and Aly Celaya who cared for and visited her in her last days.) grandsons, Lawrence N. (Natasha) Wilburn & Brandon T. Wilburn; her sisters, Beverly Jo Millsap, Betty (Matthew, Sr. deceased) Hopkins, and Annie R. Lipscomb; sisters-in-law, Juanita and Charlette Millsap; brother-in-law, Edward Clarke; special friends, Wyvonnia Lipscomb, Pamela Beasley, Glenda Stowe, Dorothy Lyles, Gail Hiles and families; several nieces, nephews, a host of cousins, other dear and close friends.

Cemetery Details

Alta Vista Cemetery

521 Jones Street
Gainesville, GA 30501

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 31. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wimberly Funeral Home
325 Summitt St SE
Gainesville, GA 30501
(770) 536-3251
info@wimberlyjackson.com
<https://www.wimberlyjacksonfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

AUG 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Antioch Baptist Church
1010 Mill Street
Gainesville, GA 30501
<http://antiochbaptistgainesville.com>

Tribute Wall

FS

“ *Future Simmons lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Future Simmons - February 03 at 11:33 PM

MG

“ *My dear friend Ruby , you were a bright and beautiful light 🕯️ We worked at Wrigleys for a short time together, when I was there, you always encouraged me to go back to school and do something else, So I went to the Atlanta College of Business, through your encouragement. She wanted people to follow their dreams. Ruby meant what she said- and said what she meant. She was my Drill sergeant and to many others. I loved her so deeply, she will always be an inspiration to me - Rest in peace Ruby - gone but never forgotten ❤️🙏*

Ms. Georgia - September 04, 2025 at 12:46 AM

KT

“ *I'm praying for the Wilburn family. Sending my love all the way from Columbus OH*

Kandice Daniels Tucker

Kandice Tucker - July 31, 2025 at 07:48 PM

PO

“ My deepest condolences to you Reggie, may God keep you in His perfect peace during this most difficult time of the loss of your dear Mother, Mrs. Ruby, your Family is in my prayer 🙏

Pamela Osborne&Family - July 31, 2025 at 02:34 PM

GR

“ Gussie Randolph purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruby Franscine Wilburn.



Gussie Randolph - July 31, 2025 at 02:32 PM

ER

“ Elisa Bonds Ratliff sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Elisa Bonds Ratliff - July 30, 2025 at 06:37 PM

SM

“ Thoughts and prayers for the Wilburn and Milsap families. May God grant you peace and strength during this difficult time.



Sylvia Milner - July 30, 2025 at 04:41 PM

LS

“ *A no nonsense cousin always spoke her mind & Cared for all .She will be missed and lawd the key lime cakes unforgettable.Rest on cuz love ya Lorraine Shields.*



Lorraine Shields - July 30, 2025 at 03:56 PM

SF

“ *Shields & McCrarys Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruby Franscine Wilburn.*



Shields & McCrarys Family - July 30, 2025 at 03:51 PM

KF

“ *I will always remember her kindness and sweetness towards me and my Mom, she was always there for me and the family. Karin*

Karin Fowler - July 30, 2025 at 02:34 PM

KF

“ *Karin Fowler, St. Louis Family forever purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruby Franscine Wilburn.*



Karin Fowler, St. Louis Family forever - July 30, 2025 at 02:27 PM

HF

“ Hopkins & Brawner Family lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Hopkins & Brawner Family - July 29, 2025 at 03:43 PM

DB

“ Dorothy Bolden sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Dorothy Bolden - July 28, 2025 at 04:56 PM

CW

“ Catherine Wilmont sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Catherine Wilmont - July 27, 2025 at 02:16 PM

JM

“ Joyce Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Joyce Mitchell - July 26, 2025 at 07:18 PM

RH

“ Regina Harris sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Regina Harris - July 26, 2025 at 04:09 PM

RH

“ Regina Harris sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Regina Harris - July 26, 2025 at 04:07 PM

MM

“ Mattie L Mathis lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Mattie L Mathis - July 25, 2025 at 09:28 PM

NA

“ Nathan Ann lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn



Nathan Ann - July 25, 2025 at 06:14 PM

PP

“ *Patience Jackson (Pat) lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Patience Jackson (Pat) - July 24, 2025 at 09:21 PM

PP

Ruby you will certainly be missed you and my mom Dorothy Lyle were just like sisters when you saw one you saw the other we are going to miss you. You are in Gods loving arms now so RIP Beautiful and know that you were truly loved

Patience Jackson (Pat) - July 24, 2025 at 09:27 PM

GG

Ruby was a wonderful person and my good friend, i am going to miss seeing you and talking on the phone with you,i will see you again in Heaven my sweet friend.

Gola Godfrey - July 30, 2025 at 02:36 PM

DC

“ *Deborah Collins sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Deborah Collins - July 24, 2025 at 07:42 PM

DC

R.I.P. 🕯️ 🌹 🌹

Deborah Collins - July 24, 2025 at 07:43 PM

TF

“ *The Barnes Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



The Barnes Family - July 24, 2025 at 05:28 PM

CR

“ *Carolyn Robinson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Carolyn Robinson - July 24, 2025 at 02:02 PM

CR

“ *Carolyn Robinson lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Carolyn Robinson - July 24, 2025 at 02:01 PM

CS

“ *Carmen ELAINE SIMS sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Carmen ELAINE SIMS - July 24, 2025 at 11:47 AM

CR

“ *Corinthus Richie lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Corinthus Richie - July 24, 2025 at 11:24 AM

TP

“ *Condolences to the you Reggie and the Family. May God wrap His loving arms around each of you 🙏🙏🙏*



Theresa Puryear - July 24, 2025 at 09:51 AM

DS

“ *Douglas Stephens lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Douglas Stephens - July 24, 2025 at 09:49 AM

CH

“ *Cornell Hendrix lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Cornell Hendrix - July 24, 2025 at 01:28 AM

SJ

“ *Star Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Star Johnson - July 23, 2025 at 11:53 PM

KB

“ *Sending prayers of comfort and sincere condolences to the family*



Kimberly Bryant - July 23, 2025 at 11:37 PM

MM

“ *Mary Moore lit a candle in memory of Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Mary Moore - July 23, 2025 at 11:16 PM

MP

“ *Reggie,*

We are praying for you and your lovely family during this difficult time.

We plan but God arranges.

Prayerfully,

David and Mae Pettie

Mae Pettie - July 23, 2025 at 06:31 PM

GM

“ *Gloria Maddox sent a virtual gift in memory of
Ruby Franscine Wilburn*



Gloria Maddox - July 23, 2025 at 10:43 AM

RW

Thank you, Reggie and Family

Reggie Wilburn - July 28, 2025 at 01:36 PM