



## Ruth Austin

December 4, 2021

As you remember a good soul food Sunday dinner, please remember Ruth Mae Harris Austin, you probably knew her as “Momma Ruth” but to her grandchildren she was known as “Roo- Roo” who entered eternal life peacefully on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at the blessed age of 89.

Just as good as she fed our bodies with a traditional Sunday dinner every Sunday after church of fried chicken , creamed corn , mashed potatoes, and yellow cake with chocolate icing “ had to be chocolate”. Ruth also fed our hearts- never leaving our hearts unfulfilled with a word from the Lord. Ruth never met a stranger and welcomed everyone from all walks of life. Ruth survived many battles in life holding onto her favorite biblical verse Matthew 6:9-13. The Lords Prayer. Ruth, was a devoted Christian, a best friend and a loving mother.

Ruth is preceded in death by her brothers: John Henry Harris, Allen Harris, Jimmy Lee Harris and Eddie Harris

Ruth centered her four children as her universe Clifton Allen Jr, Alfreda Safronia Austin, Wesley Lawrence Austin and Willie Lee Austin, who carry on her spirit along with 14 grand children and 9 Great Grands. She is also survived by her much loved-baby-brother Eugene Harris.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:30am Monday December 13, 2021 at the Birchette Mortuary Chapel. The family will receive friends from 10:30-11:30am at the chapel prior to the service. Interment will follow at Mountain Home National Cemetery in Johnson City.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 13. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Birchette Mortuary & Cremation Service, Inc.  
219 E Millard St  
Johnson City, TN 37601  
(423) 926-6013  
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## Service

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## Interment

DEC 13. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Mountain Home National Cemetery  
53 Memorial Ave  
Mountain Home, TN 37684

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Austin*

January 29, 2023 at 10:28 PM



“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Austin*



Janice Wells - December 18, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Austin*



Janice Wells - December 18, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *Phyllis Askew lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



Phyllis Askew - December 18, 2021 at 01:06 AM

MH

“ *Mary Nell Horne lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Mary Nell Horne** - December 13, 2021 at 08:52 PM

MH

*Ms. Austin was always very sweet and kind to me. Willie and Family, I know your hearts are broken.....Love and Prayers for you all.*

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**Mary Nell Horne** - December 13, 2021 at 08:55 PM

RK

“ *Rev. Sherry Pierce Kinchloe lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Rev. Sherry Pierce Kinchloe** - December 12, 2021 at 11:59 AM

AH

“ *Alberta Harris lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Alberta Harris** - December 11, 2021 at 07:39 AM

PS

“ Also will remember her always quoting the scriptures. Such a sweet soul. Will be truly missed.



**PATRICIA W SKAGGS Patricia W Skaggs** - December 10, 2021 at 07:14 PM



“ Linda Workman lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin



**Linda Workman** - December 10, 2021 at 11:58 AM

NG

“ Nancy Greenlee lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin



**Nancy Greenlee** - December 09, 2021 at 10:51 PM

VP

“ Viola Patton sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Austin



**Viola Patton** - December 09, 2021 at 10:46 AM

VR

“ *Van Rollins lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Van Rollins** - December 08, 2021 at 09:40 PM



“ *Adoration Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Austin.*



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December 08, 2021 at 08:33 PM

SC

“ *Lit a candle for Mrs. Ruth Austin. My deepest sympathy to your family.*



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**Susie Colston** - December 08, 2021 at 07:32 PM

JW

“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Janice wells** - December 08, 2021 at 10:05 AM

JW

“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Janice wells** - December 08, 2021 at 10:04 AM

GB

“ *G. L. & Trish Bristol lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**G. L. & Trish Bristol** - December 07, 2021 at 04:42 PM

VP

“ *Viola Patton sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Austin*



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**Viola Patton** - December 07, 2021 at 12:35 PM

SH

“ MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS COUSINS AND FRIENDS AND TOALL WHO KNEW MOMMA RUTH NOT WAS SHE MY AUNTIE BUT SHE WAS A MOTHER TO ME AND A FRIEND SHE IS NOW IN THE ARMS OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. THOUGH HER BODY IS NOT WHERE WE CAN SEE IT HER SPIRIT WILL LIVE ON FOREVER. SHE LIVED THE LIFE AND HAS LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR US TO FOLLOW AND ONE OF THESE DAYS WE SHALL SEE HER AGAIN. FOR SHE DID NOT DIE SHE IS RESTING AND NOW SHE IS UP IN HEAVEN TALKING TO THE FATHER AND THANKING HIM FOR LIFE RICH AND COMPLETE ONE OF THESE DAYS WE TO MUST TAKE THIS FLIGHT WE SHALL SEE HER AND ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE GONE ON BEFORE US. FOR IT NOT YET HOW WE SHALL APPEAR FOR WE SHALL BE CHANGED IN THE MOMENT IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE YET WE WILL KNOW THEM TO THOSE WHO LOVED OUR AUNTIE SISTER MOM) FRIEND. IN ORDER TO SEE HER AGAIN IF YOU DON'T KNOW JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD AND SAVIOUR THIS IS A GREAT DAY TO GET TO KNOW HIM FOR TO KNOW MOMMA RUTH IS LIKE KNOWING JESUS CHRIST FOR HIS NAME WAS MENTIONED EVERYDAY OF HER LIFE AS LONG AS I REMEMBER WE WOULD TALK ABOUT THE LORD. I AM SAD BUT AT THE SAME TIME I AM HAPPY AND REJOICING IN THE SPIRIT FOR OUR GOD HAS CALLED ONE OF HIS ANGELS HOME TO REST. FOR MY LORD IS GETTING US READY FOR THAT GREAT DAY. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU BUT IF ARE READING THIS AND YOU DON'T KNOW THE LORD THIS IS HER TESTIMONY THAT SHE LEFT. YOU WANT TO SEE HER AGAIN GET TO KNOW HER HEAVENLY FATHER AND ACCEPT HIS SON JESUS CHRIST HAS YOUR LORD AND SAVIOUR TRUST AND BELIEVE IN HIM EACH AND EVERY DAY FOR EVEN NOW JESUS IS RIGHT THERE WAITING ON YOU TO ACCEPT HIM. FOR ONE OF T THE SCRIPTURES THAT LINGERS WITH ME IS . LEAN NOT UNTO THY OWN UNDERSTANDING BUT IN ALL THY



WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND HE WILL DIRECT THY PATH.

Samuel D Harris - December 06, 2021 at 06:35 PM

SH

NOT ONLY WAS SHE MY AUNTIE BUT SHE WAS ALSO MY FRIEND AND A MOTHER TO ME YES I TOO AM GOING TO MISS HER IN THIS LIFE .BUT I KNOW THAT I SHALL SEE HER AGAIN. FOR LIKE HER I WANT TO GO WHERE JESUS IS ONE OF THESE DAYS WE DON'T KNOW HOW WHERE OR WHEN. I AM NOT GETTING READY I AM ALREADY READY TO MEET THE LORD FOR JESUS SAID BE YE ALSO READY FOR I AM COMING LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT. SO WHEN THAT DAY COMES I WILL BE READY TO ENTER AS OUR AUNTIE AND ALL OF OUR LOVE ONES WHO HAVE GONE ON BEFORE US.WE SHALL SEE THEM AGAIN BUT MOST OF ALL MY HOPE AND DESIRE IS TO SEE JESUS AND PRAISING HIM FOREVER AND FOREVER.  
F

Samuel Harris - December 06, 2021 at 07:58 PM

SH

FAMILY AND FRIENDS REMEMBER THE FOUNDATION THAT HAS BEEN LAID FOR OUR LOVE IS IN THE ARMS OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. WE TOO MUST BE READY TO TAKE THIS FLIGHT FOR JESUS TOLD US TO BE YE ALSO READY.ONE OF THESE DAYS WE ARE GOING TO FLY AWAY

Samuel Harris - December 10, 2021 at 02:25 PM

PF

“ Peppie Font lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin



peppie font - December 06, 2021 at 05:29 PM

PF

“ *Peppie Font lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



peppie font - December 06, 2021 at 05:29 PM

DS

“ *So sorry for your loss. Our deepest condolences to the family*



Deborah Simmons-Grey - December 06, 2021 at 02:35 PM

Mary Rollins

“ *Mary Rollins lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



Mary Rollins - December 05, 2021 at 11:05 AM



“ *Phyllis Askew lit a candle in memory of Ruth Austin*



Phyllis Askew - December 05, 2021 at 08:43 AM

SH

*LOVE YOU MOM REST IN PEACE WE SHALL SEE YOU AGAIN WHEN WE GET THERE OUR GOD IS A AWESOME GOD AND WE SHALL SEE YOU IN THE MORNING FOR HE IS SWEET I KNOW FOR HE HAS TAKEN OUR LOVE ONE INTO HIS BOSOM AND INTO HIS ARMS NO MORE TEARS AND NO MORE SUFFERING IT IS ALRIGHT NOW THE STORM IS OVER BUT WE CONTINUE TO CARRY ON THE WORDS THAT YOU HAVE LEFT WITH US THAT GOD IS ALL THAT WE NEED TO GET THROUGH LIFE AND THAT JESUS IS ALRIGHT MOM I KNOW THAT YOU ARE SOMEWHERE AROUND THE THRONE OF GOD AND ONE OF THESE DAYS I WILL SEE YOU AGAIN IT MAY BE MORNING NIGHT OR NOON I REALLY DON'T KNOW JUST HOW SOON BUT I AM GOING TO KEEP ON SENDING UP MY TIMBER EVERYDAY YOU ARE NOT GONE FOR PRECIOUS MEMORIES O HOW THEY LINGER O HOW THEY EVER FLOOD MY SOUL IN THE STILLNESS OF THE MIDNIGHT PRECIOUS MEMORIES TO UNFOLD.*

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**Samuel Harris** - December 05, 2021 at 11:07 PM

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*HOW PRECIOUS IT IS KNOW A WOMAN LIKE MOM WHO NOT ONLY KNEW GOD BUT IS A WITNESS ABOUT WHAT GOD CAN DO AND LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR US TO FOLLOW JESUS IS THE WAY THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE NO MAN COMETH UNTO THE FATHER EXCEPT THAT THEY COME BY THE WAY OF JESUS CHRIST THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO SEE ALL OUR LOVE ONES AGAIN TRUST IN THE LORD AND LEAN NOT UNTO THY OWN UNDERSTANDING BUT IN ALL THY WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND HE WILL DIRECT THY PATH*

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**Samuel Harris** - December 05, 2021 at 11:33 PM