



## Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley

March 22, 1937 - September 9, 2022

Mrs. Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley, age 85 of Douglas, GA passed away Friday morning, September 9, 2022 at her residence following an extended illness. Mrs. Whitley was born March 22, 1937 to the late Cecil Jack Grantham, Sr. and the late Doris Carter Grantham. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie Edward Whitley; 1 daughter, Brenda Horton and 3 Siblings; Josephine Thurman, Jenny Harkleroad and Bobby Grantham.

Mrs. Whitley, a native of Coffee County, had served as a Sunday School Teacher at First Assembly of God for over 50 years and as a missionette leader for over 40 years. She loved teaching girls and young ladies biblical truths and watching them grow into strong Christian women. She had worked as a seamstress for most of her adult life. She enjoyed sewing, gardening, and caring for her many flowers.

Survivors include:

2 Sons: Bruce Whitley and wife Melissa of Douglas, GA  
Brian Whitley and wife Tammy of Douglas, GA

Son-in-Law: John Horton of Nicholls, GA

8 Siblings: Doris Nell Holton of Alma, GA  
Patsy Rowell and husband Larry of Douglas, GA  
Cecil Grantham, Jr. of Broxton, GA  
Barbara Miller of Broxton, GA  
Johnny Grantham and wife Kay of Broxton, GA  
Linda Rish and husband Eddie of Broxton, GA  
Gail Summerlin of Douglas, GA  
Lynn Dockery and husband Benny of Broxton, GA

8 Grandchildren: Mark Horton and wife Lindsey of Alma, GA  
Alex Horton and wife Sonja of Nicholls, GA  
Krista Music and husband Andrew of Douglas, GA  
Ethan Whitley and wife Brooke of Douglas, GA  
Corey Johnson and wife Tory of Bainbridge, GA  
Bree Whitley of Douglas, GA  
Dare` McKenzie and husband Lance of Arkansas  
Danielle Whitley of Douglas, GA

14 Great Grandchildren

Caregiver and friend: Judy Taft

Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends

The funeral service will be held, Wednesday afternoon, September 14, 2022 at 2:00 PM at First Assembly of God with Rev. Marshall Adcock and Rev. Byron Griffis officiating. The interment will follow at Grantham Cemetery. Mrs. Whitley will be placed in the church on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 to lie-in-state from 1:00 PM until the funeral hour of 2:00 PM.

The family will receive friends, Tuesday evening, September 13, 2022, from

6:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Ricketson Funeral Home.

Musical selections for the service will be: "Hills of Home" sung by Lena McQuaig, "Goodness of God" sung by Alison Adcock and "Wish You were Here" sung by Rev. Marshall Adcock. Soft hymns will be furnished by Karen Batten.

Active Pallbearers for the service will be: Mark Horton, Alex Horton, Ethan Whitley, Andrew Music, Corey Johnson, Lance McKenzie and Anthony Nipper.

Ricketson Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements,

# Cemetery Details

## Grantham Cemetery

59 Rocky Pond Church Road  
Douglas, GA 31533

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **13**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.  
305 West Ward Street  
Douglas, GA 31533  
(912) 384-1155  
ricketsonfunhm@windstream.net  
<https://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Lie-In-State

SEP **14**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First Assembly of God Church  
1200 North Chester Avenue  
Douglas, GA 31533

## Funeral Service

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SEP 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Assembly of God Church  
1200 North Chester Avenue  
Douglas, GA 31533

## Interment

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SEP 14 (ET)

Grantham Cemetery  
59 Rocky Pond Church Road  
Douglas, GA 31533

# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley*

November 08, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Maudine Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley*



**Maudine Wright** - October 20, 2022 at 05:38 PM



“ *Tommy And Lynn Harrell lit a candle in memory of Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley*



**Tommy and Lynn Harrell** - September 17, 2022 at 12:48 PM



“ *she was a Godly woman and very special to me with love and prayers.*

*Johnnie Faye*

**Johnniefaye Mancil** - September 14, 2022 at 03:53 PM

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“ Deborah Boyd lit a candle in memory of Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley



Deborah Boyd - September 14, 2022 at 02:47 PM

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Deborah Boyd - September 14, 2022 at 01:09 AM

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“ Prayers for all 🙏💜 Cathy Lott Kinnard (Don) & Family.



Cathy Kinnard - September 13, 2022 at 07:08 PM

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“ Rhonda Anderson lit a candle in memory of Betty Ruth Grantham Whitley



Rhonda Anderson - September 13, 2022 at 12:07 AM