



## Clara Mae Rowell Gourley

July 28, 1945 - June 20, 2023

Ms. Clara Mae Rowell Gourley, age 77 of Vidalia, formerly of Douglas, GA passed away June 20, 2023 at Fairview Park Hospital from injuries received in an auto accident in Dublin, GA. Mrs. Gourley was born July 28, 1945 to the late Edward Rowell and the late Bernice Allen Rowell. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by Her Husband: Ralph Milburn Gourley and 5 Siblings: Linda Sweat, Helen Tapley, Jerry Luke Rowell, E. J. Rowell and Carolyn Nelson.

Ms. Gourley, a native of Broxton, GA, had been employed for a number of years by the Coffee County Board of Education as a bus driver. She was a Member of College Avenue Baptist Church.

Survivors include:

2 Sons: Greg Gourley and wife Heather of Vidalia, GA  
Kyle Gourley and wife Courtney of Cumming, GA

4 Grandchildren: Ben Gourley and wife Sarah of Vidalia, GA  
Ginny Grace Gourley of Vidalia, GA  
Whitney Gourley and Ally Brooke Gourley both of Cumming, GA

2 Brothers: Larry Rowell and Charles Rowell both of Douglas, GA

Half-Sister: Sue Cofield of Clearmont, FL

Several Nieces, Nephews, Cousins and Other Relatives

The family will receive friends, Thursday evening, June 22, 2023 from 6:00 PM until 8 PM at Ricketson Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held Friday morning, June 23, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the Chapel of Ricketson Funeral Home with Rev. Donald Fender officiating. The interment will follow in Reedy Branch Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers for the service will be: Ben Gourley, Jamie Rowell, Michael Tapley, Kenny Rowell, Ben Cato, Evan Gourley, Darrell Rawlins and Jason Sweat.

Ricketson Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Reedy Branch Cemetery

96 Boxwood  
Broxton, GA 31519

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JUN **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home Chapel  
305 West Ward Street  
Douglas, GA 31533

## Interment

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JUN **23**. 11:00 PM (ET)

Reedy Branch Cemetery  
96 Boxwood  
Broxton, GA 31519

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ricketson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley*



**Ricketson Funeral Home** - June 22, 2023 at 10:31 AM

BS

*Sorry for your loss..Praying for family...Ms. Clara was my neighbor at baymeadows ..when I moved here from Florida she came down on her golf cart to meet my husband and I and brought me my first flower (daylilly) I planted in my yard and still have it...she was a very sweet lady..*

**Brenda Schulmeister** - June 26, 2023 at 10:17 PM

JC

“ *Jane Carver lit a candle in memory of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley*



**Jane Carver** - June 22, 2023 at 08:46 PM



“ Sue Mobley lit a candle in memory of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley



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Sue Mobley - June 22, 2023 at 06:09 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.



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June 22, 2023 at 04:22 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.



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June 22, 2023 at 03:21 PM



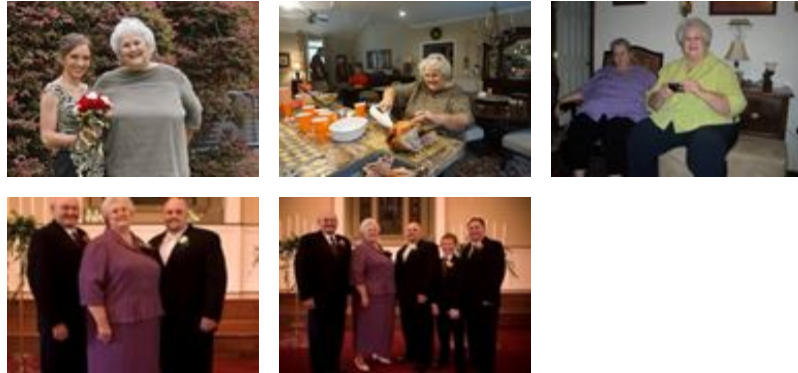
“ Mrs. Gourley was an AWESOME bus driver when my boys were in school .  
I wish our world had alot more Mrs. Gourleys !!!

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Linda Johnson - June 22, 2023 at 01:00 PM



“ 50 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Ricketson Funeral Home - June 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.



June 22, 2023 at 08:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.



June 22, 2023 at 01:48 AM

RA

“ Rhonda Anderson lit a candle in memory of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley



Rhonda Anderson - June 22, 2023 at 12:40 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.



June 21, 2023 at 10:08 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.



June 21, 2023 at 08:29 PM

DD

“ Diane D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clara Mae Rowell Gourley.

Diane D. - June 21, 2023 at 05:45 PM