



## Estelle "Snookie" Caves

August 13, 1934 - December 25, 2024

Mrs. Estelle "Snookie" Caves, a cherished mother, grandmother, aunt and respected member of her community, passed away peacefully at the age of 90 on December 25, 2024 at McRae Manor Nursing Home. She was born on August 13, 1934 in Coffee County to the late Wiley and Vastin Hutchinson Swails.

Estelle was preceded in death by her loving husband of 61 years, Tommy (Buck) Caves; brothers: Glenn Swails, Ronald Swails; sisters: Naomi Nelson, Ruby Tindall, and Laila Trowell.

Estelle's life was a testament for the love of her family and friends. Her legacy is carried on through her loving children: Johnny (Shirley) Caves, Melcene (Tommy) Beasley, Wiley (Gloria) Caves and Paula Anderson. She leaves behind a legacy of love and cherished memories with her grandchildren: Lamar (Annie) Caves, Greg (Martha) Caves, Sherry (Jimmy) Clark, Melissa Beasley, Russell (Rena) Beasley, Brandon (Erin) Caves, Cory (Amanda) Caves, Melanie Cater, and Benjamin (Kari) Bridges along with numerous great and great-great grandchildren. She was a dedicated member of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church.

Visitation will be held at the chapel of Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc. from 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 28, 2024 with a funeral service celebrating her life at 2:00 PM in the chapel of Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.

with Bro. Jerry Wooten officiating. Interment will follow at Douglas City Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will include: Russell Beasley, Greg Caves, Brandon Caves, Cory Caves, Benjamin Bridges and Caden Cater.

Flowers will be accepted, or memorial donations may be made to the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, Denton, Georgia, 31532.

Memories and condolences may be shared with the Caves family at [www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com).

The Estelle Caves family is being cared for by the compassionate staff of Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.

# Cemetery Details

## Douglas City Cemetery

1622 North Gaskin Avenue  
Douglas, GA 31533

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 28. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

DEC 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Interment

DEC 28 (ET)

Douglas City Cemetery  
1622 North Gaskin Avenue  
Douglas, GA 31533



# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Estelle "Snookie" Caves.

December 27, 2024 at 09:02 AM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Estelle "Snookie" Caves.



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“ She went into the Nursing Home in 2021. The nursing home quit accepting visitors that summer for a while during Covid. I bought a bunch of Krispy Kreme doughnuts and delivered them to the nurses as a bargaining chip to try and convince them to raise her widow so I could talk to her. After a little while they agreed and I would visit her at her window for as long as the Nursing Home was closed. I think she really liked that during a time when we all were a little lonely and unsure of what was going on in the world. This picture is the last picture I have of her. I will miss her a lot!



Brandon Caves - December 27, 2024 at 07:25 AM

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“ *I remember when her and my mama worked together at the school lunch room. She was a sweet lady. ❤️*

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**Jimmy Joe Davis** - December 26, 2024 at 06:28 PM