



## Ruby Addie Bryant Merchant

October 10, 1925 - May 16, 2023

Mrs. Ruby Addie Bryant Merchant, age 97 of Willacoochee, GA, passed away Tuesday morning, May 16, 2023 at Vista Park Health and Rehabilitation following a short illness. Mrs. Merchant was born October 10, 1925 to the late Cauley Columbus Bryant and Rebecca Vickers Bryant. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Shelley Merchant and a sister, Dorothy Taft.

Mrs. Merchant, was born in Atkinson County. She was a homemaker. She was also a member of Mora Baptist Church and Senior Citizen Club of both Douglas and Pearson.

Survivors include:

1 Son: Julian Lorane Merchant and wife Margaret of Eatonton, GA

1 Daughter: Carolyn Busby and husband Darrell of Willacoochee, GA

6 Grandchildren: Dana Roberts and husband Richard of Willacoochee, GA

Shellie Beck Davis and husband Lloye of Blackshear, GA

Crystal Mock and husband Ryan of Waycross, GA

Deanna Busby of Willacoochee, GA

Gabriel Merchant of Jacksonville, FL

Jordan Merchant of Hilliard, FL

6 Great Grandchildren: Jake Davis and Alex Davis both of Blackshear, GA

Cam Callahan of Waycross, GA

Knox Taylor of Hilliard, FL

Carter Mock and Will Mock both of Waycross, GA

A number of cousins and other relatives.

The family will receive friends on Thursday evening, May 18, 2023 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Ricketson Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held Friday morning, May 19, 2023 at 11:00 AM at Chapel of Ricketson Funeral Home with Rev. Willie Wilson and Rev. Casey Wright officiating. The interment will follow in Mora Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers for the service will be: Ryan Mock, Lloye Davis, Jake Davis, Alex Davis, Richard Roberts, Danny Dees, and Cam Callahan.

Honorary Pallbearers for the service will be: Gary and Carolyn Simpson, Sherri Davis, Edwina Vickers, Theresa Wilson, Evelyn O'Steen, Walt and Jo Ann Burch, Lynn and Ed Chaney and Nick Rodriguez.

Ricketson Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 18. 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

MAY 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

## Interment

MAY 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mora Baptist Church Cemetery  
290 Mora Church Road  
Willacoochee, GA 31650

# Tribute Wall



“ Ricketson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruby Addie Bryant Merchant



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**Ricketson Funeral Home** - May 18, 2023 at 03:16 PM

EF

“ Al ways loved to see Ms. Ruby's smiling face. I know the past years have been tough but God gave you strength to take care of her. Praying for the family.

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**Elaine Floyd** - May 19, 2023 at 06:32 AM

KF

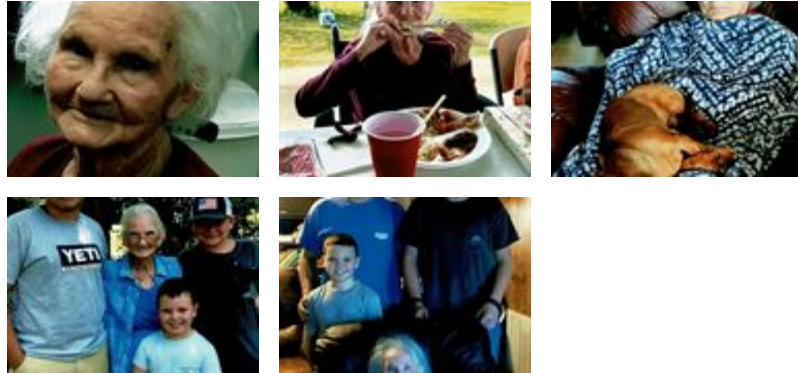
“ Carolyn, my condolences to you and the family. Kathy Fletcher

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**Kathy Fletcher** - May 18, 2023 at 10:04 PM



“ 44 files added to the album Life Tributes



Ricketson Funeral Home - May 18, 2023 at 11:27 AM

BE

“ Loved Ms Ruby! Always smiling and visiting others! I worked with her at Shady Acres and had Mr Willie her brother with me at Southern Senior Living. She was always so kind to visit not only with him but all the others as well! She will be missed!

Beth - May 17, 2023 at 08:55 PM

JO

“ Enjoyed knowing Mrs. Merchant.  
She knew all about her beloved flowers!

Jean O'Steen - May 17, 2023 at 05:35 PM

SB

“ Such a sweet lady. She will be missed! So sorry for your loss.

Shirley Bennett - May 17, 2023 at 01:55 PM

MH

“ *Miriam Vickers Holland lit a candle in memory of Ruby Addie Bryant Merchant*



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**Miriam Vickers Holland** - May 17, 2023 at 01:16 PM