



## Sarah Samantha Phillips Wiggins

October 1, 1935 - August 14, 2025

Mrs. Sarah Samantha Phillips Wiggins, age 89 of Douglas, GA passed away early Thursday morning, August 14, 2025 at Coffee Regional Medical Center following an extended illness. Mrs. Wiggins was born October 1, 1935 to the late Preston Phillips and the late Irma Grantham Phillips. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by 4 siblings: Preston "June Bug" Phillips, Jr., Johnny Phillips, Betty Jane Wright and Mary Evelyn Phillips.

Mrs. Wiggins was a native of Coffee County. She was a clinical Secretary for 34 years for GA Poultry Improvement Association. Also she was employed as a Coffee County School Parapro. After becoming a grandparent she became lovingly known as "Janmother" by most everyone. Some of her grands called her "Meme" and others "Jom". She loved all her grandchildren dearly and became very involved with all of their school activities. She attended all their activities from cheerleading practices to the games. She was one of their greatest supporters. She was a member of St. Illa Baptist Church. Mrs. Wiggins loved her Lord and Savior and trusted in him for all her needs. She was a faithful member and always participated in the church activities, whether it was for adults or children.

Mrs. Wiggins was survived by her husband of 69 years: Rufus Archie Wiggins; 2 Children: Larry Wiggins and Lynn Wright and husband Michael all of Douglas, GA; 4 Grandchildren: Brandon Wright of Colorado and Brooke

Wright Wiederhold and husband Brendan of Douglas, GA, Charlie Wiggins and wife Kaysie of Tifton, GA, and Lexie Wiggins Giddens and husband Bryce of Moultrie, GA; 8 Great-Grandchildren: Elijah Wright of Columbus, GA, Mikayah Wright of New York City, NY, Myles Wright and Lev Wright both of Colorado, Brinley Wiederhold, Brielle Wiederhold and Brextan Wiederhold all of Douglas, GA, Archer Wiggins of Tifton, GA. She is also survived by 2 sisters: Faye Mote and Virginia Lewis both of Douglas and 2 sisters-in-law, Florine Phillips and Evelyn Banks both of Douglas, GA; Numerous Nieces and Nephews and other extended family members.

The family will receive friends on Monday, August 18, 2025 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at St. Illa Baptist Church. The service will begin at 11:00 AM with Rev. Terry Reagan officiating. The interment will follow in Douglas City Cemetery.

Condolences, kind words and fond memories may be shared with Mrs. Wiggins's family at [www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements for Mrs. Wiggins have been entrusted to the kind and compassionate staff of Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.

# Cemetery Details

## Douglas City Cemetery

1622 North Gaskin Avenue  
Douglas, GA 31533

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Illa Baptist Church  
5638 Highway 158 West  
Douglas, GA 31535

## Funeral Service

AUG 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Illa Baptist Church  
5638 Highway 158 West  
Douglas, GA 31535

## Interment

AUG 18. 12:00 PM (ET)

Douglas City Cemetery  
1622 North Gaskin Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Ricketson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sarah Samantha Phillips Wiggins



Ricketson Funeral Home - August 16, 2025 at 08:15 PM

MH

“ Miriam Vickers Holland lit a candle in memory of Sarah Samantha Phillips Wiggins



Miriam Vickers Holland - August 17, 2025 at 11:09 AM

CA

“ My deepest sympathy 🙏



Carol Allen Aycock - August 16, 2025 at 03:00 PM

JL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



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**Jean Lewis** - August 16, 2025 at 12:19 PM

TH

“ Deepest sympathies and prayers!!!



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**Tommy and Lynn Harrell** - August 15, 2025 at 10:54 PM

DM

“ Aunt Sarah you were a special Aunt to me ,always wanting me to get my Education and to always do good in everything in my life. You will be deeply missed I will love you always. Give Grandmama, Aunt Betty, Aunt Mickey and Uncle Johnny hugs for me until we are all together again in God's Paradise

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**Dena Moore** - August 15, 2025 at 06:37 PM

MG

Prayers

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**Melissa Bagley Griffin** - August 16, 2025 at 12:06 AM

DO

Larry I am so sorry for your loss..praying for you and Lynn and the whole family.Let me know if there is anything I can do.Hugs and love to All! She will be missed for she and your daddy both is loved by many:)

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**Donna O'Steen** - August 16, 2025 at 09:49 AM



*She was a joy to be with. Bronson and I prayed for her often. God was ready for her to go home. Prayers of comfort for you all in the days ahead 📿❤️.*

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**Wylene coffee** - August 16, 2025 at 02:39 PM



*Mrs. Sarah was a special lady. Prayers for the whole family.*

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**Carol Purvis** - August 25, 2025 at 12:38 PM