



## Mary Ruth 'Ruthie' (Bush) Justice

June 14, 1945 - February 24, 2020

Mary Ruth (Bush) Justice was born on June 14th, 1945 and passed from this life on February 24th, 2020. She was born in Hugo, Oklahoma to David Arthur (Hoss) Bush and Edna Lee (Crimmins) Bush. Mary was most commonly known to family and friends from her youth as Ruthie.

Mary was the second of 4 children and the oldest girl. She was known for always taking care of those around her so it was only natural that she pursued a nursing career. Mary graduated from Hugo High School in 1963 and then Hillcrest Nursing School in Tulsa, OK in 1966. Mary worked in various nursing roles from surgery, ER, nursing homes and ended her nursing career in industrial/corporate nursing. Caring for those lonely and mentally challenged was her calling in life.

Mary was blessed with two daughters, Diana and Charlotte and two grandchildren, Marin and Mason that she adored beyond the stars. She loved to craft, play scrabble, tend to her flowers and play with her critters. She passed her passion for caring for those lonely or in need and helping all types of animals on to her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughters, Diana Justice (Sharon) of Braggs, Oklahoma and Charlotte Harp (Chad) of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, her grandchildren, Marin and Mason Harp of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, her sisters, Nita Pence and Joy Setzer (Bill) of Hugo, Oklahoma, numerous nieces, nephews and a host of family and friends.

Mary is preceded in death by her father Hoss Bush, her mother and step-

father Edna and Andy Hammock, her brother David “Jody” Bush, her sister-in-law Wanda Bush, and her brother-in-law Noel Pence.

Viewing for Mary will be 5PM-6PM Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home in Fort Gibson, OK.

A graveside service will be held 1PM Thursday, February 27, 2020 at the Darrough Pavilion in the Mount Olivet Cemetery in Hugo, Oklahoma with Chaplain Jeanna Howell officiating.

The family of Mary Ruth ‘Ruthie’ Justice has entrusted her care, services and burial to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson, OK. 918-478-2555.

Online condolences may be left at [clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com](http://clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Olivet Cemetery

E Trice St & 8th St  
Hugo, OK 74743

# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB 26. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home (Fort Gibson)  
1224 E Poplar St  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2555

## Graveside Service

FEB 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mount Olivet Cemetery  
E Trice St & 8th St  
Hugo, OK 74743

# Tribute Wall



“ I worked with Mary at Oklahoma Truck Operations in Wagoner from 1980-81. I was just a kid, 24 years old. I was alone and far from home. She looked after me. I found this sad news looking for her on the 45th anniversary of our meeting at the International Harvester plant. She was kind and caring.

scott cabot - April 27, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ Mary Ruth 'Ruthie' (Bush) Justice

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mary Ruth 'Ruthie' (Bush) Justice.



February 26, 2020 at 02:30 PM



“ I remember working with Ruthie at Choctaw Memorial Hospital many years ago My mother in law and her mother were best friends. She was a very kind lady. Prayers for her daughters, granddaughters and sisters Nita and Joy.

shirley smith - February 25, 2020 at 10:40 PM

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“ *Kelly Bush Acosta lit a candle in memory of  
Mary Ruth 'Ruthie' (Bush) Justice*



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**Kelly Bush Acosta** - February 25, 2020 at 09:34 AM