



Ruby F Rowan

February 6, 1928 - October 24, 2020

Ruby F. (Nutt) Rowan was born February 6, 1928 in Fort Gibson, OK to Henry Rutherford Nutt and Frances Ann Wright Nutt being the youngest of their nine children. She went home to be with the Lord on October 24, 2020 with her family gathered around her.

She would tell you that she was pampered from the beginning as her older brothers and sisters had to quit school to help work the farm, but she was able to attend school. She loved school, but especially loved basketball. She was good at it, but her parents had a hard time getting her to the games so the coach would come pick her up for the games.

Times were hard and many of her friends had to quit school to help their families, as did Ruby, quitting school after eighth grade. She always regretted not finishing high school.

Ruby began courting John Rowan and one of their favorite activities was taking pictures in front of the old high school, in front of cars, etc. They may have started the “selfie age”. They were married June 23, 1946 in Fort Gibson and after his death in 1994, she said, “There would never be another man like him,” and she was right.

She worked in the school cafeteria when her kids were little which she greatly enjoyed, and she was able to be home when her kids were home.

One of the joys of her life was music. Ruby, John, her husband, Don and Allan Scott had a band called the “Rainbow Valley Band” and they played bluegrass and country music at churches and other community events.

John and Ruby really enjoyed camping at Pettit Bay where they would also entertain many campers with their music.

Ruby loved kids. She taught children's Sunday School for many years and VBS at First Baptist and Norwood Baptist. She would still sing the songs that she taught the children at church. She was a faithful member of First Baptist Church, Fort Gibson and the Rejoice Sunday School.

She also kept her grandchildren and other children in her home while their parents worked. She would spend the day doing whatever the children needed. When the parents came to pick up their children, the kids all wanted to stay with "Nan."

When her husband, John, went to heaven in 1994, Ruby decided to fill her time by working at Wonderland Day Care. She enjoyed loving on those babies. A new law was enacted which required all childcare workers to have a high school diploma or GED and Ruby had not graduated from high school but that didn't deter Ruby. At the age of 70 she completed her GED and was surprised with a graduation party with all the works including a class ring. She was loved by all who knew her, and she loved all she knew. She will be missed, but we are confident she is rejoicing in Heaven and we will see her again soon.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Henry R. Nutt and Frances Ann Wright Nutt; siblings, Doshie Eubanks, Eva McElmurry, Sam Nutt, Cobie Nutt, Tom Nutt, Mae Walters, Ethel Raines, Mary Rowan; and her husband John F. Rowan.

She is survived by sisters-in-law, Estelle Nutt, Theda Rowan, Anna Lois Oxley; children, Larry Rowan and wife Rhonda, Glen Rowan and wife Gwen, Carol Scott and husband Allan, Rick Rowan and wife Denise, 9 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild, extended family and many friends.

A service celebrating Ruby's life will be held 10:30AM Friday, October 30, 2020 at the Fort Gibson First Baptist Church with her sons, Glen and Larry officiating. Committal prayers and interment will follow in the Fort Gibson

National Cemetery with her grandchildren serving as casket bearers.
The family of Ruby F. Rowan has entrusted her care, services and burial to
Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555.
Online condolences may be left for the family at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
304 E Hickory
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Committal Service

OCT **30**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ruby F Rowan*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Chloe Mayfield lit a candle in memory of Ruby F Rowan*



Chloe Mayfield - December 31, 2020 at 03:52 PM



“ *Always loved to hear Ruby and Don sing especially loved their gospel singing we have their CD's and listen to them all the time. I know she will be missed by everyone who knew her our loss is heavens gain keep singing Ruby* 🎵

jeanette and joe karnes - October 29, 2020 at 05:08 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruby F Rowan.*



October 28, 2020 at 09:38 PM

EB

“ *Eunice Brown lit a candle in memory of Ruby F Rowan*



Eunice Brown - October 28, 2020 at 09:10 PM

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“ *Don & Cathy Mashburn (Crabtree) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruby F Rowan.*



Don & Cathy Mashburn (Crabtree) - October 28, 2020 at 06:18 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruby F Rowan.*



October 28, 2020 at 01:30 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ruby F Rowan.*



October 28, 2020 at 01:18 AM



“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home - October 27, 2020 at 04:44 PM



“ Lots of great memories spending the weekend nights at Uncle Johns and Aunt Ruby house playing games.

Randy Wooten - October 27, 2020 at 12:53 PM



“ 72 files added to the album Life Tributes



Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home - October 27, 2020 at 12:20 PM

MM

I will always love and miss you Aunt Ruby...we shared many private conversations I will always hold dear, until we meet again, love you Madlyn McElmurry

Madlyn McElmurry - October 27, 2020 at 01:28 PM

SC

“ *Saundra And Bill Coy lit a candle in memory of Ruby F Rowan*



Saundra and Bill Coy - October 27, 2020 at 11:33 AM

JD

“ *I remember well the Sunday gatherings at our Grandparent's house and all the great guitar playing and singing that took place. Aunt Ruby's face glowed when she sang. Love and miss you* 💕💕

Jean Rowan Deetz - October 26, 2020 at 05:57 PM

TM

Look out John here she comes. Bet they are all singing together again. She will be missed

Terry and Cheryl Moore - October 27, 2020 at 11:11 AM

PK

I loved Ruby, as did everyone I know, and missed being in class with her and our visits. She will be greatly missed but would not want to be back here. She sings and plays with the angels and her loved ones. We must now live our lives so we can meet her again. 🙏❤️

Patsy Keith - October 28, 2020 at 03:09 PM