



Ruth Ragsdale

November 29, 1933 - December 9, 2017

Ruth Ragsdale, 84 years old, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Saturday, December 9, 2017 in Conroe, Texas. Ruth was born November 29, 1933 in Benson, LA to AJ and Johnnie Shadoin.

Ruth married Robert "Rags" Ragsdale on September 15, 1959. They were married for 58 years and had six children: Michael, Sandy, Toni, Terry, Toby, and Tim.

Ruth lived an active vibrant life. She was a Civil Defense Rescue Squad volunteer, a licensed amateur (ham) radio operator, and a homemaker. She also worked in the White Oak High School and was a competitive archer of national caliber having competed for more than 30 years. Her feisty spirit and quick wit will be greatly missed by her loved ones.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her twin sister, Ruby; 6 other siblings; and her beloved daughter, Toni Carolyn Hernandez (Hector). She is survived by her husband, Rags; two siblings, George Merle and Bernard; her children, Michael (Mari), and Sandy (Mark), Terry (Michelle), Toby (Heather, Tim (Lisa); 12 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

Visitation with the family is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12th from 5 to 6 PM at The Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Willis. A Memorial

Service will be held at 6 PM at the same location. You are invited to leave a written condolence on our website at www.shmfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 12. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Willis
10129 FM 1097 Rd W.
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfm.com

Memorial Service

DEC 12. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Ragsdale*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Ruth was such a special lady in all of our lives. Those of us who had the privilege to assist in her care never knew from one day to another how she would keep us on our toes but we loved it! She was sweet and spunky, loving and compassionate.*

She is now at peace and I pray you, the family, are as well.

Hannah Poe

Hannah Poe - December 19, 2017 at 04:31 AM



“ *Rags and the entire family would like to thank you all for coming to support us during Ruth's memorial. We would also like to thank the entire staff at Sam Houston for taking good care of Ruth and making her memorial special. Thank you*

Michelle Ragsdale - December 13, 2017 at 04:55 PM

AM

“ Sorry I missed the celebration of a life well lived! My mother's name was Ruth, and have fond memories of Ruth & Bob being good neighbors in Shadow Bay & Willis FUMC friends, a comfort when I lost Bernie.

Know that Ruth is now at peace with God and her twin. Praise for Bob being such a faithful husband and caretaker these past few years.

Know you have lots of good memories to cherish in your remaining years and a sweet family to make more memories with the grand + great grand children. In Christ, Avis Maslovitz

Avis Maslovitz - December 12, 2017 at 10:42 PM

JM

“ Julie Mondello lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale



Julie Mondello - December 12, 2017 at 08:03 PM

TR

“ The MEIT Team (friends of Tim Ragsdale) purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.



The MEIT Team (friends of Tim Ragsdale) - December 12, 2017 at 11:14 AM

VH

“ *Deepest sympathy to the family. Wonderful archery memories. God bless . Hugs, Vel Hunter*

Vel Hunter - December 12, 2017 at 11:01 AM

MR

“ *Michelle Ragsdale purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



Michelle Ragsdale - December 12, 2017 at 09:27 AM

LB

“ *Lisa Mondello Brown lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale*



Lisa Mondello Brown - December 12, 2017 at 12:34 AM

LF

“ *Love, The Mondello Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



Love, The Mondello Family - December 12, 2017 at 12:26 AM

JS

“ My heart is so full of memories of the amazing woman I got to call “Gramma”. I was lucky enough to spend my entire childhood just “around the corner” from her. As a young child, she let me empty and refill her cupboards just so I could see what kind of canned veggies she had or sat at the front window with me playing a game we invented called “old car, new car” where we took turns guessing if the next car that drove by was (you guessed it) old or new! We sat on her back porch swing and talked about anything. She let me talk her into trying out my Skip-It and my pogo stick. She was at every sporting event cheering louder than anybody else. When I spent the night at her house, she would wake me up in the morning with a warm washcloth on my face. She was the first person that I drove to see when I bought my first car. And, she made the best chicken enchilada casserole in the entire world. She was my first best friend and my home away from home as a child. I miss her immensely but am so thankful for the wonderful times we had.

Jill Stephens - December 11, 2017 at 09:56 PM

EB

“ Emma And Bill Brown lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale



Emma and Bill brown - December 11, 2017 at 09:46 PM

EB

Prayers for you and family.

Emma and Bill brown - December 11, 2017 at 09:47 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



December 11, 2017 at 09:38 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



December 11, 2017 at 09:09 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



December 11, 2017 at 08:55 PM



“ *Terry Ragsdale lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale*



Terry Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 07:44 PM

HE

“ I have been truly blessed to have had Ruth in my life these years. Her loving husband Robert and beautiful family. The best part of my life was calling her beautiful daughter Toni my wife, best friend and soul mate. I, 'll miss you mamma. God bless you all. Hector

Hector - December 11, 2017 at 07:36 PM

TR

Truly one of the most blessed people on the planet, having the best parents ever. Our wonderful Mom will be dearly missed, until the glorious reunion GOD has planned for us all.

Love you, Momma....

Terry Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 07:48 PM

JL

Terry, Jimmy and I was so saddened to hear about the loss of your Mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Jim and Linda Landrum

Jim and Linda Landrum - December 11, 2017 at 08:55 PM

LZ

Loved Gramma ❤️ She always had frosted animal cookies with sprinkles, let us play putt putt in the hallway. We watched the sound of music, and went on adventures in the backyard. Remember when Some of the kids (Dan and Jenna maybe?) shot a bird in the yard and she made them eat it?! Haha awesome. I remember being so excited I couldn't sleep on the night before Christmas. I would stare out the window at the Christmas lights and listen for Santa. Gramma would have a huge dinner for us and always the best gravy ever! I am so thankful for her. So glad to know that she is with Jesus and is more comfortable and happy now than was ever possible here on earth. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness, Gramma's faith and her legacy!

Leslye Zuercher - December 12, 2017 at 04:33 PM

LR

“ *Lisa Ragsdale lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale*



Lisa Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 07:22 PM



“ *Erika Ragsdale lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale*



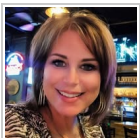
Erika Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 07:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



December 11, 2017 at 07:11 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss--I only met Ruth briefly, but I will never forget the look on her face when she saw Jenna in her wedding dress. That face revealed the love she has for her family--and I know you all will miss her very much. Much love to you all--Nancy*

Nancy Reimann - December 11, 2017 at 06:51 PM

SR

“ *Scott Reed lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale*



Scott Reed - December 11, 2017 at 06:51 PM

MR

“ *Michelle Ragsdale lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ragsdale*



Michelle Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 06:44 PM

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“ *I'm am soooo very thankful that I got to spend time and get to know Ruth before she passed away. I will cherish the time we had at their lake house before they moved. Ruth had great spunk and was a beautiful lady through and through.*

Prayers for the family during this time of loss.

Kathy Frost (Glaves) - December 11, 2017 at 05:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Ragsdale.*



December 11, 2017 at 03:22 PM

MR

“ *I miss her. Written to her several years ago.*



Michelle Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 02:40 PM

MR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*

Michelle Ragsdale - December 11, 2017 at 02:33 PM