



Ruth Figgs Burton

August 28, 1913 - September 28, 2020

Ruth Figgs Burton, 107 years and exactly one month old, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, on Monday, September 28, 2020 at Wicomico Nursing Home in Salisbury.

She was born August 28, 1913 in Delmar, Maryland, a daughter of the late William Arthur Figgs and Florence L. (Kenney) Figgs.

Ruth worked as a seamstress in the shirt factory in her younger years, had several other jobs as she got older, but no job was as important and meaningful to her as being a wife, mother and homemaker. She was a faithful, life time member of Melson United Methodist Church. During her stay at Wicomico Nursing Home everyone enjoyed her singing or whistling the older hymns, especially "I'll Fly Away." She enjoyed gardening and strawberry picking, but will be most remembered as a fun and loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother who LOVED ice cream, even in her final days. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of the Wicomico Nursing Home for the love and care they provided during her stay.

She is survived by her daughter, Rosalind B. Lanham of Salisbury; grandsons, Roger Mills and Randy Mills and his wife Tammie; great grandchildren, Russell (Amanda) and Joshua Mills and Emily Calloway (Johnny) and Lauren Mills; great-great grandchildren, Braylon, Joshua Jr. and Jaycen; a granddaughter-in-law, Judy Mills Weed; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Russell J. Burton; and brothers,

Lacey Figgs and Richard Figgs.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, October 3, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Melsons Cemetery near Delmar. The Reverend John Oltman will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to Melson United Methodist Church, 32705 Melson Road, Delmar, MD 21875 or to Christian Shelter, 334 Barclay Street, Salisbury, MD 21804.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Melson's Cemetery

Melson's Road
Delmar, MD 21875

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT **3**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Delmar, MD 21875

Tribute Wall

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“ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ob_PRmd43ek
Here is a video we shared at the house, after the graveside service!
We love you Mommom!

Tamara - October 04, 2020 at 09:44 PM



“ *We are away this weekend, so sadly, we can't be at the graveside service. Aunt Ruth was truly remarkable. Loved to hear her laugh and sing. Loved her words of wisdom. I never grew tired of hearing her tell her love story with Uncle Russell. We still have the baby blankets she made for our daughters. What a heart! What a special lady! What a life!!! Sending hugs and lots of love to all, especially Ros, Randy and Roger.*
Love, Kim, Cale, and family

Kimberly Ann - October 02, 2020 at 08:48 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Kimberly Ann - October 02, 2020 at 08:35 AM

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“ *Rosalind, Randy and Roger heaven has gained another Angel I am so sorry but you were so blessed to have her as long as you did you all are in my prayers*



patty gaylor - October 01, 2020 at 07:19 PM

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“ *Mom Mom Burton was a very sweet person she was a lovely lady who loved her family Roz you were blessed to have her this long, Randy you were blessed Also to have your Mom mom that long cherish your memories*



patty gaylor - October 01, 2020 at 07:14 PM

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“ *Rosalind and family...What a beautiful lady your momma was, inside and out. She always had a kind word and sweet smile whenever she spoke. It was an honor to know her and have her memory forever in our hearts. Love and prayers to everyone....Benny & Dru*



Ben & Dru Vanderwende - October 01, 2020 at 01:52 PM

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“ *She was such a sweet person. My mother, Evelyn Hearn and Mrs. Ruth were such good friends. My condolences to the entire family. I am so sorry that I won't be able to attend the services. To my best friend, Teresa McTernan, I love you and you will be with me in my thoughts and prayers.*

Lynn Hearn Lenderking - October 01, 2020 at 07:42 AM