



Ruby Lee Caldwell

July 21, 1932 - December 1, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

Ruby Lee Caldwell

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – TAMMS

420 Front Street, Tamms, Illinois

Ruby Lee Caldwell, age 92, of Tamms, Illinois, passed away at 11:00 PM on Sunday, December 1, 2024 at the Illinois Veterans Home in Anna, Illinois.

She was born July 21, 1932 to Nollie Lee and Gladys (Nichols) Wilson near Carlisle, Mississippi.

Ruby graduated from Port Gibson High School in 1949 and began working in Jackson, Mississippi until joining the United States Air Force in 1951. She was stationed at March Air Force Base near Riverside, California and served as a secretary in the Judge Advocate General's Office.

In April 1953, she married Jerry Lee Caldwell, who was also serving in the Air Force at March Air Force Base. Together they have spent over 71 years together and he survives.

In December 1954, after their discharge from the Air Force, they returned to Mississippi and attended Hinds Junior College and Mississippi State University. In 1967, she received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Education from Southern Illinois University and in 1977, a Master's Degree from Southeast Missouri State University. Ruby taught Business Education at Egyptian High School for 23 years until her retirement in 1998.

Along with her husband, Ruby is survived by her son, Timothy Caldwell (Cindy Caldwell), daughter, Cynthia Caldwell-Hefner (Monte Hefner); three grandchildren, Jonathan (Katie) Caldwell, Lori (Paul) Rich, Callie Hefner; great-grandchildren, Brayden Caldwell, Collins Caldwell, Tyler (Amanda) Rich, Logan (Grace) Rich; two great great-grandchildren, Cody Rich and Owen Rich; and siblings, Hal Wilson and Leon Wilson.

A graveside service will be held Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 12:30 PM at Lindsey Cemetery in McClure, Illinois.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and/or Shriners Hospital for Children.

Crain Funeral Home in Tamms is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Lindsey Cemetery

McClure, IL

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 4. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Lindsey Cemetery
McClure, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ruby Lee Caldwell.* ”



December 04, 2024 at 01:38 AM



“ *Love Bill & Elaine Caldwell & family FL purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ruby Lee Caldwell.* ”



Love Bill & Elaine Caldwell & family FL - December 03, 2024
at 05:15 PM