



Ruby Jean Wiggins

January 26, 1949 - August 1, 2016

Ruby Jean Wiggins (67) of Ahoskie, NC departed this earthly life on August 1, 2016 at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, VA. She was born on January 26, 1949 to the late Johnnie and Dorothy Watford Gatling in Hertford County, NC.

She was a retired school teacher at Hertford County Schools.

Ruby Jean leaves to cherish precious memories: (2) sons, William F. Mitchell, Jr. "Bill" (Monique) of Winton, NC and Corey Mitchell of South Carolina; (3) sisters, Gail Harrison (Fred) of Suffolk, VA, Joannell Gatling of Winston Salem, NC and Falcia Gatling of Murfreesboro, NC; (2) brothers, Cecil Gatling (Gloria) of Winston Salem, NC and Charles Lee Watford (Ann) of Como, NC; (3) grandchildren; a host of other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **4**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
214 W. Saluda Hall Rd
Ahoskie, NC 27910

Tribute Wall

JF

“ Bill and family, may God bless and comfort you and your family in this time of sorrow. Love and prayers from my family. Johnnie Ray Farmer, Commissioner

Johnnie Ray Farmer - August 05, 2016 at 10:23 AM

ER

“ Words can not convey the sorrow in my heart when I found out about you my sister. I can recall when I was visiting N.C and met you. My daughter was 5 months old at the time, you held her & gave me encouraging words about her. She is now 21 yrs old & I reminisce about those words. Looking forward to seeing you again in perfect health. Isaiah 33:24, love you my sister. Eve Richardson

Eve Richardson - August 05, 2016 at 07:51 AM

EC

“ Emily Cross lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins



Emily Cross - August 04, 2016 at 08:24 PM

MM

“ Ruby Jean Wiggins and I worked together at Riverview from 1996 until she retired. We became great friends and we would sit and talk about everything. She was like a mentor to me. I will never forget her smile and her wisdom.... I am just finding out that she passed and my heart is heavy right now. Melissa-Harvey Morales

Melissa Harvey Morales - August 04, 2016 at 02:42 PM

PS

“ *Patrick & Elvira Spiers lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Patrick & Elvira Spiers - August 04, 2016 at 12:19 PM

EH

“ *Gone but never forgotten. RIP Ruby Jean.*



Elaine Hampton - August 04, 2016 at 12:12 PM

KV

“Ruby Jean and I worked together at Riverview Elementary in the late 80's. We taught first grade. I was a new teacher and she guided me. She was definitely a great teacher who loved the students. She brought her motherly love right into the classroom. Her class and sophistication made the little girls cling to her and her firmness made the little boys respect her. She was a wonderful person and will be truly missed. I am so glad that we had the opportunity to spend time together talking about old times recently when she brought her granddaughter by my house to see my daughter. I will always remember that night--the last time we enjoyed reminiscing. My condolences to the family. You should be very proud of the life your mother lived. She brought so much love and joy to everyone she came in contact with. May God bless family and you are in my prayers.

Kathy Overton-Vinson
Curtis Vinson

Kathy O. Vinson - August 04, 2016 at 08:54 AM

JJ

“My condolences to the family. Sorry I am not able to attend the funeral. Ruby and I taught together at Riverview side by side. She was an expert teacher who shared her knowledge with me readily. Very classy lady! I know she will be missed. We were also majorettes together at C. S. Brown. Jacqueline and Darrell Jones

Jacqueline Vann Jones - August 04, 2016 at 06:29 AM

KP

“Kenny and Pat Pope of SC send our prayers and remembrances for our dear cousin Ruby Jean Gatling Wiggins. We keep you in our prayers and send our condolences to each of you. we love you truly.



Kenneth @ Patricia Pope - August 04, 2016 at 12:27 AM



Sharonda Brown

“It was such a great pleasure to know Mrs. Wiggins. My 4th grade teacher at Riverview Elementary. I can remember like yesterday she will always sit at the desk eating raw oatmeal. She did tolerate a disrespectful student. But spoke harsh out of love. She earned her respect. She will truly be missed.

Sharonda Brown - August 03, 2016 at 11:16 PM



“25 files added to the album LifeTributes



Hunter's Funeral Home - August 03, 2016 at 09:21 PM

CW

“Ruby Jean will truly be missed by the Gatling Family. Seeing her at our Family Reunion during Memorial Weekend, we didn't know that would be our last. We talked to her on the phone a few weeks ago, and the last words she said to Milton and I was that she loved us. In this sorrowful time, please know that the love of family and the strength from friends will comfort you. We Love You All.
Celestine and Milton Worthington

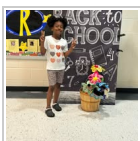
Celestine Worthington - August 03, 2016 at 05:40 PM

MF

“We will forever remember Ruby Jean beautiful smile. She was a wonderful person. She was the greatest teacher that ever taught at Riverview School. Everyone loved her. The bond that she and my daughter had has lasted a life time. They loved each other so much. Ruby meant the world to us.



Marion, Faison - August 03, 2016 at 04:00 PM



“Ruby Jean was one of the sweetest people I ever knew. She always met you with a warm, sweet smile and always had a kind word to say. She was an "old school teacher" who took pride on her students and her profession. I will always cherish the fond memories I have of her. Heaven has gained another beautiful flower. Will miss her. She was a wonderful person.



Linda Vinson - August 03, 2016 at 03:08 PM



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Linda Vinson - August 03, 2016 at 03:07 PM

GM

“ *Greg and Hannah McDaniel purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ruby Jean Wiggins.*



Greg and Hannah McDaniel - August 03, 2016 at 02:56 PM

GH

“ *Gail Gatling Harrison lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Gail Gatling Harrison - August 03, 2016 at 02:50 PM

GH

Words cannot express the void without you . I was truly blessed to have you as my "older sister" and to be a part of my life all of these wonderful years. I will always treasure the special relationship we shared. You will always be with me each day . I ache with pain but I know that God is with me and each day will become easier.

Gail Gatling Harrison - August 03, 2016 at 03:00 PM

JB

Gail so beautiful, I miss RubyJean already, our many chats about our family. She will truly be missed

Judy Boone - August 03, 2016 at 03:09 PM

DW

“ *DORIS WEAVER sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



DORIS WEAVER - August 03, 2016 at 02:23 PM

DJ

“ *Daisy Jones lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Daisy Jones - August 03, 2016 at 12:15 PM

DH

“ *Delores Harvey lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Delores Harvey - August 03, 2016 at 11:17 AM

DH

Ruby's was a great person and great friend. We taught together at Riverview. Will miss her.

Delores Harvey - August 04, 2016 at 01:57 PM

JB

“ *Judy Boone lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Judy Boone - August 03, 2016 at 11:16 AM

KW

“ *It was great to know Mrs. Ruby. Bill and Corey, I am so sorry for your loss. Hold strong to the memories and know that her suffering is no longer her pain. God bless.*
Kisha Pierce Watford

Kisha Watford - August 03, 2016 at 12:05 AM

JF

“ *Joyce Tann And Family lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Joyce Tann and family - August 02, 2016 at 11:21 PM

CS

“ *In memory of cousin Ruby Jean Gatling Wiggins.*

Gilbert & Charmont Hall-Stephen



Charmont Stephen - August 02, 2016 at 08:51 PM

BH

“ *Billy & Lisa Hooks lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Wiggins*



Billy & Lisa Hooks - August 02, 2016 at 07:46 PM

AW

“ *Mrs. Mitchell, I will sorely miss you. You were my 2nd grade teacher at CG White and you were ALWAYS an inspiration in my life. You are the reason I am an educator today; I always wanted to be just like you and I looked up to you as mother/teacher/comforter during those years! I will never forget you and all the advice you gave me. Rest on Mrs. Mitchell...Heaven has received a BEAUTIFUL Angel!!*

Aretha Williams-Ruffin

Aretha Williams-Ruffin - August 02, 2016 at 07:20 PM