



## Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard

June 17, 1927 - January 10, 2020

Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard, 92, of Royston, GA passed away on Friday, January 10, 2020, at her home.

Mrs. Beard was born on June 17, 1927 in Royston, GA, daughter of the late Harlan Atkinson and the late Eula Hickman Atkinson. She was a parts assembler having worked at General Time in Athens, GA and was a member of Riverside Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, John Samuel Beard; brothers, Bill Atkinson and Gerald Thomas Atkinson; and sisters, Hazel Crow, Ethel Coxon, Idell Yeargin and Faye Atkinson.

Survivors include a son, Sammy Beard of Royston, GA; daughters, Lesa (Dennis) Coile of Comer, GA and Lawanna (Tim) Ray of Danielsville, GA; grandchildren, Eric Coile, Andy Coile, Kane Beard, Elliott Beard, Jake Beard, Kevin Ray, Brandon Ray and John Thomas Ray; seventeen great grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mrs. Beard will be held in the Pruitt Funeral Home Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, with Rev. Roger Elrod and Rev. Paul Jameson officiating. Interment will follow in the Franklin Memorial Gardens-South in Royston, GA.

The family will receive friends at Pruitt Funeral Home from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday evening. The family is at the home.

Flowers are optional; memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to the Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The family would like to thank Liz May of Kindred Hospice for the care shown to their mother.

Pruitt Funeral Home in Royston, GA is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Franklin Memorial Gardens - South

Dovetown Road  
Royston, GA 30662

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pruitt Funeral Home  
47 Franklin Springs Street  
P.O. Box 465  
Royston, GA 30662  
(706) 245-7234  
pruittfh@bellsouth.net  
<https://www.pruittfhroyston.com/>

## Service

JAN 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Pruitt Funeral Home Chapel  
47 Franklin Springs Street  
Royston, GA 30662

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pruitt Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard*



Pruitt Funeral Home - January 12, 2020 at 02:11 PM

WM

“ *So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Praying that the good Lord will comfort you. Wayne and Paulette Moore*

Wayne & Paulette Moore - January 18, 2020 at 04:27 PM

WW

“ *Our thought and prayers are with you all.*

*Wanda King Walker  
Tammy King Beggs  
Woodrow and Louise King*



Wanda King Walker - January 14, 2020 at 03:50 AM

BB

“ *Brenda Bolton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard*



Brenda Bolton - January 14, 2020 at 12:13 AM

GW

“ Gwendolyn Westfall sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard



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**gwendolyn westfall** - January 13, 2020 at 08:39 PM

BD

“ My memories of Dathon are her faithful attendance and service at Riverside. She was always there through my growing up years. Love this family!

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**Becky Ivey Dickerson** - January 13, 2020 at 05:21 PM

PL

“ Peggy Lord lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard



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**Peggy Lord** - January 13, 2020 at 12:18 PM

GW

“ i was so blessed to have Dathon in my life for 20 years. thanks to my Uncle Fuzz that raised me i got to meet and know her..she was always so sweet to me . loved her smile and her laughter..we got along so great ..when Fuzz went in to the nursing home one day i was helping Dathon out of the car and she said i was so sweet to help her and she said to me \* i wish you were my daughter\*..it melted my heart ..i looked at her and said\* well it is settled i am then\*..she laughed and said she liked that ..so from then on i called her Mama Dathon. i love you Mama Dathon and i always will. gonna miss talking on the phone with you and also coming to take you out to eat . you sure have the most loving caring family . you were an angel on earth and now you are an angel in Heaven . my heart misses you so bad already but i know you are happy



gwendolyn westfall - January 13, 2020 at 05:07 AM

MS

“ Milda Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard



milda smith - January 12, 2020 at 07:06 PM

CP

“ Charles & Barbara Pulliam lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard



Charles & Barbara Pulliam - January 12, 2020 at 05:41 PM



“ 68 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Pruitt Funeral Home** - January 12, 2020 at 01:55 PM



“ *Phyllis R King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard*



**Phyllis R King** - January 12, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ *Marie Gray lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dathon Atkinson Beard*



**Marie Gray** - January 12, 2020 at 01:03 PM