



## Mrs. Ruth King Parten

April 14, 1933 - October 11, 2022

Mrs. Ruth King Parten, 89, of Royston, GA passed away on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

Mrs. Parten was born in Whitfield County, GA on April 14, 1933, daughter of the late William E. King and the late Erdice Williams King. She graduated from Dalton High School and Maryville College in Maryville, TN. After graduating from college, she moved to Royston, and worked as a Christian Leader in several United Methodist Churches around Franklin County and was a long-time member of Pennington Chapel United Methodist Church. She taught school for a total of 35 years and was a member of the Franklin County Retired Teachers Association, and Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority. Mrs. Parten was also a member of the Carnesville Women's Club.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, James Travis Parten; sister, Elizabeth Holland; and brother, Edgar King.

Survivors include her children, William B. "Bill" and Jill Parten of Royston, Joyce and Tim South of Royston, and Mary and Harris Little of Carnesville, GA; grandchildren, James and Lindsay South of Marietta, GA, Ben and Hannah Parten of Savannah, GA, Lee and Katie South of Royston, Beth South of Royston, Sara Little of Athens, GA, Drew and Chappel Parten of Alpharetta, GA, Clint Little of Carnesville, Will South of Gainesville, GA and

Robert Little of Carnesville; great-grandchildren, Luke and Caroline South of Marietta, and Travis South of Royston; brother and sister-in-law, John and Linda King of Cabot, AR; and sister-in-law, Winnie Patterson of Royston.

Mrs. Parten and her family were very blessed with and thankful for her wonderful caregivers. The family would like to express their sincere appreciation for the love, care, and devotion the caregivers showed their mother.

A celebration of life for Mrs. Parten will be held in the Pennington Chapel United Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 14, 2022, with Rev. David Bryan, Rev. Steve Alred and Rev. Allen Carmichael officiating. A private interment will follow in the Cary Memorial Gardens in Royston.

The family will receive friends at Pruitt Funeral Home from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday evening. During other times the family will be at her home; 3701 Athens Road Royston, GA.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorials be made to Pennington Chapel United Methodist Church at 2712 Sandy Cross Road Royston, GA 30662.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Cary Memorial Gardens

Hwy. 51  
Royston, GA 30662

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **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

OCT **14**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Pennington Chapel United Methodist Church  
2712 Sandy Cross Road  
Royston, GA 30662

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pruitt Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten*



**Pruitt Funeral Home** - October 13, 2022 at 12:51 PM

MJ

*My prayers are with you all. Your Mom always so sweet. I enjoyed my visit with her when I went and got some items from her for Habitat.*

**Mary Lou Jackson** - October 14, 2022 at 12:34 PM

DH

*Ms. Ruth was one of my favorite teachers at Sandy Cross Elementary. She was such a "lady" and so kind. Wonderful memories of her and my time there.*

**Doris Phillips Harrison** - October 14, 2022 at 02:58 PM

SW

*Mrs Ruth was the sweetest person I ever met , she always treated me like family , love you Ms Ruth may you rest in peace,*

**Stacy Williams** - October 14, 2022 at 03:52 PM

RM

*Condolences 🌸 to the Parten family. Ms Ruth was a wonderful example of a good women! She had a beautiful smile and kind words to all.*

**Rena Means** - October 22, 2022 at 04:55 PM

DE

“ *David, Glenda, Brenda And Ellis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten*



David, Glenda, Brenda and Ellis - October 16, 2022 at 03:44 AM



“ *Renee Wood lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten*



Renee Wood - October 14, 2022 at 05:34 PM

PP

“ *Polly Penson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten*



Polly Penson - October 13, 2022 at 12:50 PM

DC

“ *Sweet lady I have lots of memories of spending time at her home with Joyce, I know she will be missed 🙏❤️*

Debbie Crump - October 13, 2022 at 10:34 AM

SB

“ Sam Beard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten



Sam Beard - October 13, 2022 at 07:30 AM

DG

“ Mrs Parten was a wonderful lady. My husband Ben always thought of her as his favorite teacher and a great inspiration in his young life. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Debra Grizzle - October 12, 2022 at 10:12 PM

SS

“ Will be praying for the family and may god bless you all



scoot Smith - October 12, 2022 at 09:32 PM

JS

“ JaneandTerry Sexton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten



JaneandTerry Sexton - October 12, 2022 at 06:58 PM

JB

“ *Mrs Parten was a wonderful lady and a real blessing to everyone she came in contact with. I was thinking about her the other day and the wonderful pumpkin rolls she used to make for me! Praying for Gods Blessings on Bill, Joyce, Mary and families!*



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**Johnny and Helen Banister** - October 12, 2022 at 06:40 PM

EC

“ *Evelyn Cress sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten*



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**evelyn cress** - October 12, 2022 at 03:12 PM

SB

“ *Mrs. Ruth is a testimony showing the grace of God through suffering. Her children are a testimony of steadfastness and love for their mama. God bless this family in their grief. Slate Bauknight*

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**Slate Bauknight** - October 12, 2022 at 02:15 PM

AW

“ *Bill, Joyce, and Mary: Please accept our condolences in the loss of your sweet mother. She was loved by many and will certainly be missed. May God give the family peace in knowing Mrs. Ruth is in a far better place with no more suffering, only happiness and love. God's blessings on you all,*  
*Allen & Sandra Bond Wheeler*



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**Allen & Sandra Wheeler** - October 12, 2022 at 12:43 PM



“ *Nadine Hunnicutt sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Ruth King Parten*



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**Nadine Hunnicutt** - October 12, 2022 at 12:13 PM