

Therefore we are  
*always*  
*confident*  
knowing that,  
whilst we are at home in the body,  
we are absent from the Lord.  
(For we walk by faith & not by sight.)  
We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be

*absent from the body:  
and to be present with the Lord*

Wherefore we labor that,  
whether present or absent, we may be

*accepted  
of Him*  
- II Corinthians 5:6-9



*What a comfort...*  
For us to know that our burden of grief  
was shared by our family & friends.

*Thank You*



*In Loving Memory of*

**Ina Ruth Johnson DePalma Madden**

March 30, 1930 - November 6, 2023



  
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**& CREMATORY**

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The LORD is my *Shepherd;*  
I shall not want.  
He maketh me  
lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restoreth my  
*soul:*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.

*I will fear no evil:  
for Thou art with me;*  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over  
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD *forever.*  
- Psalm 23

IN  
*Remembrance*  
*Ina Ruth*  
*Johnson DePalma Madden*

**Funeral Service**

2 o'clock in the afternoon  
Wednesday, November 8, 2023  
Fortsonia Baptist Church

**Officiating**

Rev. Andrew Danals

**Interment**

Elmhurst Cemetery

**Contributions**

Fortsonia Baptist Church  
2616 Washington Highway  
Elberton, Georgia 30635

West End Baptist Church  
811 Mercer Drive  
Elberton, Georgia 30635

A Service of  
Berry Funeral Home  
Elberton, Georgia

Honor  
*Loving Memory*

Mrs. Ina Ruth Johnson DePalma Madden, age 93, life long resident of Elberton, went to be with the Lord on Monday morning, November 6, 2023, at Magnolia Estates.

Born in Elberton on March 30, 1930, she was the fifth of seven children born to John Thomas Johnson, Jr., and Annie Ruth Warren Johnson. Ina married Camillo DePalma, Jr. (March 19, 1925 - November 16, 1975) on December 12, 1946, and they enjoyed nearly 30 years of marriage before his untimely death. The Lord blessed them with three children: Sherry Annette DePalma (July 13, 1948 - September 12, 1994), George Kenneth DePalma (February 3, 1950 - January 5, 1952), and Silvia Dale DePalma (July 3, 1953 - October 23, 1978).

Ina later married Chandler B. Madden (February 16, 1918 - December 15, 2000) on March 14, 1982, and they enjoyed 18 years of marriage. In doing so, she gained three daughters that she loved as her own: Annette Madden Yeargin, Betty Madden Hopkins, and Carolyn Madden Wilson, all of whom survive.

She was a member of West End Baptist Church for many years, and later joined Fortsonia Baptist Church where she was presently the oldest member. The Ina Madden Ladies in Faith Group is named in her honor and still meets regularly.

Miss Ina had a servant's heart, and was always willing to help out anyway she could. She delighted in spending time with her family and could always be depended upon to babysit, attend extracurricular activities, and extend a warm, reassuring hug to anyone in need. She enjoyed visiting shut-ins as long as her health permitted. A talented seamstress, she retired from the weave room at Elberton Mills.

In addition to her step-daughters, she leaves behind her grandchildren: Traci Brown Thornton and her husband Steve and Kenneth Brown and his wife Brandi, all of Elberton; great-grandchildren: Silvia, Kelsey, Rylan, and Brantson; great-great-grandchild, Everett; step-grandchildren: Beth Cryder (the late Roger) Burdette, John and Sandra Cryder, Kent Yeargin, Kelly and Paul Scarborough, Mark and Stephanie Lee, Jimmy and Tammy Lee, Christina H. and Andrew Robbins; step-great-grandchildren: Lexi, Katelin, Coral, Kassie, Cameron, Christopher, Marlow, Madden, Abby, Kitty, Clayton, Averie and Caleb; step-great-great-grandchildren: Harper, Haiden, Hollins, Poppy, Weston, John Oliver, Skylair, Ava, and Benjamin; and a host of nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, John and Annie Ruth; husbands: Camillo and Chandler; children: Sherry DePalma Brown and her husband Jimmy, Kenneth DePalma, and Silvia DePalma Byrd; grandson, Josh Hopkins; and siblings: Frances Mairholtz, Hazel Dickerson, Joe Johnson, Clinton Johnson, Wilton Johnson, and Parks Johnson.