

In Loving Memory

CELEBRATING A LIFE

Funeral Service

2 o'clock in the afternoon
Wednesday, February 7, 2024
First Methodist Church of Elberton

Officiating

Rev. Rick Cox
Mr. Dave Heydinger

Interment

Elmhurst Cemetery

Pallbearers

Jeffrey Starrett, Brady Starrett, Morgan Fry,
Conner Holland, Randy Holland, Austin Williams

Contributions

First Methodist Church of Elberton
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What a comfort...

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

~ Thank You



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Celebrating...Honoring...Remembering...

Ruth Janet Guest Higginbotham

May 18, 1940 - February 4, 2024



Memories

LOVE is patient, love is kind...

it does not envy, it does not boast
it is not proud. It is not rude,
it is not self seeking, it is not easily angered,
it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil

but rejoices in **TRUTH.**

It always protects, always trusts,
always **HOPES,** always preserves.

LOVE NEVER FAILS

- 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8

Mrs. Ruth 'Janet' Guest Higginbotham, 83, of Anderson Highway, Elberton, wife of 45 years to the late William Ace "Bill" Higginbotham passed away peacefully, with her children at her side, on Sunday, February 4, 2024, at her residence.

Mrs. Higginbotham was born in Elberton on May 18, 1940, daughter of the late Lester Benjamin Guest and Mary Kelly Guest. She was a 1958 graduate of Elberton High School. Janet went to work at Elberton Manufacturing Company at the age of 18, and worked there until the plant closed in 2005, retiring as a seamstress.

Mrs. Higginbotham was a member of First Methodist Church of Elberton where she was a member of the Mary Freeman Sunday school class. She looked forward to helping organize the class's monthly meals and working with the church's blood drive and various activities. Never one to stay idle, Janet enjoyed her work as a pink lady with the Elbert Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and meeting with the Deep Creek Baptist Church's Widow's group.

Above all, "Grandmama" loved her family and never missed an opportunity to support them in any of their endeavors.

Surviving are her children and their spouses: Karen and Bill Cary of Royston, Gina and Rob Starrett of Elberton, and Alan "Pete" and Kim Higginbotham of Elberton; grandchildren and their spouses: Jeffrey and Lori Starrett, Reid and Courtney Higginbotham, Jennifer and Bryce Coble, Morgan and Kara Fry, Emily Cary, Lila Higginbotham, Leah Higginbotham, Greg and Kim Cary, and Leigh Ann and Rex Norton; several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Along with her husband and parents, Janet is preceded in death by her sister, Paula Bradford; and half-siblings: Maude, Essie, Nell, Mack, and Frank.

Don't think of her as gone away -

her **JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN,**
life holds so many facets -
this earth is only one.

Just think of her as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of *warmth*
AND COMFORT
where there are no days and years.

Think how she must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.

In the *Hearts* of those she touched
And think of her as living
For nothing loved is ever lost -

And she was loved so much.
- Ellen Brenneman
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