



Ruby Lee Guidry Ray

January 11, 1932 - September 12, 2012

It is with great sadness that the family of Ruby Lee Guidry Ray has announced her departure to her Heavenly Father on September 8, 2012, at the age of 80. She was surrounded by her beloved family and pastor as she began her journey. In celebration of her life, funeral services will be held at Union Baptist Church on Wednesday, September 12, 2012. Visitation will begin at 8:00 AM; funeral will begin at 11:00, with Rev. Gerald Perkins officiating. Funeral Ceremony of Esther Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star Prince Hall Affiliation will be the hour before. She will be laid to rest in the Benevolent Baptist Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Union Baptist Church for the Teacher Scholarship Fund. Ruby Lee Netty Guidry was born on January 11, 1932, in Belleview, LA to the late Edward Netty, Sr. and the late Louise Chavis Guidry. She accepted Christ at an early age and was a devoted member of the Union Baptist Church until her health declined. She served faithfully as a Sunday School teacher, trustee board member, announcement clerk, and senior choir member. She worked with youth of the church as a leader of the Red Circle and UBC Youth Choir. She organized the Sunday School's ABC Club and was instrumental in the establishment of the church's summer enrichment program. She also was an English instructor for the 7th District School of Christian Education. Ruby graduated from Jefferson Davis High School in 1949. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in Secondary Education from Southern University in 1953 and Master of Education degree from Texas Southern in 1958, and did

further studies at McNeese State University. As a dedicated educator, she began her teaching career at Jefferson Davis High School before moving to Houston, Texas where she taught at George Washington Carver High School. Later she returned to Jennings and began teaching at Lake Arthur High School where she retired in 1997 after accumulating 44 years of service as a classroom teacher. Ruby was an active member of her community. She was a Life Member of the Southern University Alumni Federation. She was an active member and Past Worthy Matron of Rosebud Chapter #45 OES. Other affiliations include National Association of University Women, Frank Thibodeaux Ladies Auxiliary-Unit 520. Ruby was a loving daughter, mother, grandmother, teacher, and friend. She is survived by her son, Edwin Kent Ray (Georgette) of Jennings; her daughter, Ruth Louise Ray Jackson (John) of Bossier City; her grandson, Ian Ray of Jennings; three granddaughters, Jillian Ray of Baton Rouge, Kiara Ray of Jennings, Leah Jackson of Bossier City; her great-granddaughter, Morgan Holmes of Baton Rouge; a dear little girl, Tyrhiana Achane of Jennings; two aunts, Irene Dartest and Dolores Cormier of Jennings; her uncle, Louis Chevis, Jr. (Shirley) of Jennings; three goddaughters, Cynthia Barber of Houston, Angela Gardner of Austin, and Raven McZeal of Lake Charles; her cherished friend, Douthulia Gardner of Houston; and cousins, nieces, nephews, friends as well as former students. Ruby now rests in Heaven with her beloved parents, John and Louise Guidry; her husband, Robert I. Ray; a daughter; and her brother, Edward Netty, Jr

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruby Lee Guidry Ray*

January 28, 2023 at 04:12 PM



“ *Kent and Louise, you have my deepest sympathy. Know that she's at peace now resting in the arms of Jesus.*

Bunny Broussard - September 12, 2012 at 03:19 PM



“ *I was saddened to hear of Ms. Ruby Rays passing. She was one of my favorite teachers, and I've thought of her often. She took a special liking to me and used to bring me ham loafs from her kitchen when I was in high school. I'm sorry that I did not keep in touch after I graduated.*

Curtis Thornton - September 12, 2012 at 02:25 PM



“ *I AM VERY SAD FOR YOUR LOSS OF SUCH A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN. I KNOW SHE WILL BE MISSED VERY MUCH! I HAVE RECENTLY LOST MY MOTHER AND SEVERAL VERY GOOD FRIENDS. IT IS SUCH A SAD TIME. PLEASE FIND COMFORT FROM THE SCRIPTURES SUCH AS REVELATION CHAPTER 21 AND VERSES 1 THROUGH 5. HOW WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO THE TIME WHEN JEHOVAH GOD WILL REMOVE ALL THINGS CAUSING SADNESS AND PAIN...INCLUDING DEATH! WITH WARMEST SYMPATHY....*

Peggy Tupper - September 12, 2012 at 08:53 AM

RS

“ Louise and Kent and families, I am so saddened by news of the passing of your mom. She was a special friend for many years, and she will be missed as she has been since she became ill. I've always admired the grace and dignity which characterized the way she lived her life. We became friends in 1975, and she helped me through some of the earlier years of my career. I will never forget her for the kindness, patience, and friendship she gave to me during all the years we worked together and during the years after. When I was widowed, she was there again to show me how to get through the adjustment and how to stay focused on doing what she had done best...bringing up children absent the love of her life, their father...I think she did a great job...Now I will always think of her as reunited with your dad, and I know that would make her happy. Much love to you all, Rosemarie Sonnier and family

Rosemarie Sonnier - September 11, 2012 at 10:22 PM

KC

“ I am praying for you, Kent and Louise, during this very difficult time, that God give you strength and comfort you. Lean on him and he will see you through. May God bless you and your family.

Kelly DeVille Christopher - September 11, 2012 at 09:35 PM

KL

“ Find comfort in knowing that you done your very best for your mother. Now you can only live pleasing to God do that you can see her again. You will always be in our prayers. We love you....Uncle Louis (Shirley) and fmly/ Cousin Angela(Derrick) and fmly

KENT and LOUISE - September 11, 2012 at 07:50 PM

MH

“ *Ruth and family, prayers and love surround you at this time of great loss. With deepest sympathy, Mary Lou Hughes, Bossier City*

Mary Lou Hughes - September 11, 2012 at 12:42 PM

TF

“ *Louise and Kent, we are truly sorry for the loss of your mom. We are praying for you. Love, Linzette and Clarence*

The Red Family - September 10, 2012 at 10:04 PM

DJ

“ *To Kent and Louise(Cuz), Our family hurts with you,we loved aunt Ruby and she will be miss by many. please forgive that I cant come in town at this time but I will see you soon,and my prayers are with you.*

love Daryle and Gina

Daryle Jones - September 10, 2012 at 06:24 PM

LA

“ *In all things give thanks. Praise God for the life of Ms Ray.*

She was a wonderful teacher. So patient and soft spoken. Very easy to talk to, like a second mother. She taught me English at Carver High School in Houston, Tx.

Family, know that all is well, and take comfort, knowing that there will be a sweet reunion someday.

John 3:16

Sincerely,

*Lela Anderson
Class of 1968
G.W. Carver HS
Houston, Tx*

Lela Anderson - September 10, 2012 at 11:13 AM

DS

“ *To Kent & Louise, you have my deepest sympathy. Ruby was a sweet & kind person. She will be dearly missed. May it bring you comfort to know she's at peace now and resting in the arms of Jesus.*

Deborah Chevis Saddler - September 10, 2012 at 08:26 AM