



Ruby Elizabeth Parks

February 19, 1922 - January 29, 2020

Ruby Elizabeth Parks, age 97, passed away peacefully on Wednesday January 29, 2020 at the home of her granddaughter Pam Martin. Ruby was born February 19, 1922 in Jefferson County, Alabama. She was a resident of Gardendale, AL for most of her life and faithfully attended First Baptist Church of Gardendale. Ruby worked as the lunchroom assistant manager in the Gardendale School System and retired after 28 years of service. She was also a very dedicated volunteer at the church and a member of the Seniors exercise program until the age of 96.

Preceded in death by her parents Robert Walter & Effie Jackson Creel, husband James Laster Parks, son Owen Boyd Parks, daughter Joyce Dooley, and grandson Shaun Dooley. Ruby was the last living of her 8 siblings. She is survived by her son James W Parks (Hilda), son in law Kermit Dooley, granddaughters Pam Martin (Wayne) and Debbie Gray (Alan), grandson Troy Dooley (Kathy), and numerous great and great-great grandchildren.

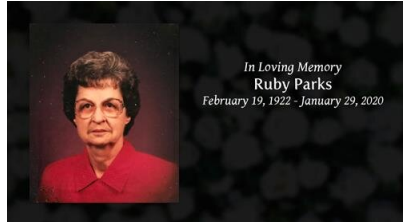
Ruby was a loving mother, grandmother, sister in law and friend to so many during her lifetime. The family would like to give special thanks to Alabama Cardiovascular Group staff and physicians for the excellent care they provided. They would also like to thank Hospice Services of Alabama for the care and support they provided to her and her family during her final days.

Funeral services will be held at the New Gardendale Funeral Home on Saturday February 1, 2020 with visitation starting at 10am and service at 11am, graveside service to follow at Jefferson Memorial Gardens in Trussville, AL.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruby Elizabeth Parks*



Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home - February 03, 2020 at 01:32 PM

ML

“ *Mac and Lisa purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruby Elizabeth Parks.*



Mac and Lisa - January 31, 2020 at 08:43 PM

JS

“ *Praying for Ruby's family so sorry for your loss 🙏🙏❤️*

Janice Simmons - January 31, 2020 at 03:31 PM

JS

“ *Ruby was such a inspiration to me of her faithfulness in what all she did ! Really enjoyed talking with her in our Excerise class she amazed me ! She had a beautiful smile and was very direct I would get tickled at her . Missed her very much ! Loved Ms. Ruby you can walk all you want now sweet lady ‘*

Janice Simmons - January 31, 2020 at 03:26 PM



Met ms Ruby when I worked at the CEC School in the early 80's . She was a very fine lady and was good to all the Special Ed Children . Rest In Peace my friend .

Gloria Roberts - February 01, 2020 at 12:45 AM

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“ Deepest Sympathy from EXIT Realty North Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruby Elizabeth Parks.



Deepest Sympathy from EXIT Realty North Family - January 31, 2020 at 01:49 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruby Elizabeth Parks.



January 30, 2020 at 08:33 PM

RI

“ Some of my earliest memories include visiting Ruby and my Uncle James at their home. Growing up and then living across the country I had limited opportunities to visit except for reunions. The reunions were sometimes many years apart and I was always amazed that Ruby never seemed to age.

Praying for the family.

Ross Martin III - January 30, 2020 at 06:06 PM

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“ I always called her Mamaw. She was like my own grandmother in a way because I consider Pam like a sister. I will miss that "smile" and talking to her about church. My favorite memory was how excited she got a couple of years ago when I brought her a bunch of balloons in the hospital. I think she still had them about a month later at home. She raised a good family. Love you all. Eve Smith

Eve Smith - January 30, 2020 at 02:35 PM

PA

It was 6 months! Thank you Eve!

Pam - February 01, 2020 at 07:12 PM