



## Rosa Wallace

June 4, 1941 - August 22, 2021

On June 4, 1941 in Talladega, Alabama, Willie Robert Curry and Rosa Lee Carlisle Curry welcomed to the world a beautiful bubbly baby girl and gave her the name Rosa Mae.

At an early age, Rosa committed her to life Christ and united with Ebenezer Baptist Church where she was a faithful servant of God working and worshipping diligently until later in life deciding to amalgamate with Mt. Canaan Baptist Church. Rosa loved the Lord and enjoyed being a dedicated worker in his vineyard until her health began to fail. This was a proven fact by her actions and immeasurable certificates and awards of recognition while being a member of the Inspirational Choir, serving as President of the Missionary Ministry, President of the Nurses Guild, President of the Matron Circle #2, Bible Study Teacher, and a dedicated and faithful adult, youth, and primary Sunday School Teacher.

Rosa's formal education was received in the Talladega City School System where she was a graduate of Westside High School Class of 1970. Rosa was destined to become an educator with distinction. She married and started her family during her sophomore year and had to leave school between giving birth to her four lovely children until her graduation in 1970. Mrs. Rosa Mae Curry Wallace was living confirmation that education was the key to success despite any barriers that may occur while on your journey in life. She wanted

to inspire all youngsters and let them know to complete their education and let nothing be a hinderance to them. Mrs. Wallace enrolled at Talladega College in 1970 and received her Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education in 1974. She soon began working towards her Master's Degree at Jacksonville State University, but had to delay her studies and began raising her second family of three beautiful grandchildren due to the loss of her daughter, Angelecia. For Mrs. Wallace, delay never meant denial to her as her yearning for knowledge was demonstrated when she returned to Jacksonville State University and received her Master of Science in Education in 1996. Not only was Rosa a member of Kappa Delta Pi, an International Honor Society in Education, Alpha Gamma Honor Society, Elks College City Temple #823, AEA, NEA and various other public organizations; she served as Vice-President of Talladega City Education Association, Chairperson for the hospitality committee of the Westside-Drewry Alumni Association, President of the Fraternal Order of Police Ladies' Auxiliary Lodge 28, 1993 Alabama State Teacher of the Year, 2004 Alabama Daughter Elk of the Year, and numerous other certificates, awards and recognitions.

Mrs. Wallace was a very smart and educated mentor who spent countless hours in the classroom with her students while continuing to further her education. Before her final retirement, Mrs. Rosa Mae Curry Wallace had devoted years of excellence in education in the Talladega City School System and Tri System Learning Center Alternative School from 1974-2003. Admitting to being a stern and strict disciplinarian while teaching, she would often shower her students with love and let them know they were cared for. Working with children was Rosa's life.

In Rosa's spare time, she enjoyed sewing, quilting, arts and crafts, mentoring, spending recreational time with her children, and working on the volunteer committee at Brookwood Citizen's Baptist Hospital.

On the evening of Sunday, August 22, 2021, after eighty blessed years on this earthly journey, God called for Rosa to accept her heavenly wings and board the train to glory while surrounded by loved ones in the consolation of her home under the care of New Beacon Hospice. Upon boarding that glory train, Rosa was welcomed home by her parents, Mr. Willie and Mrs. Rosa Lee Curry, her daughter, Angelicia Wallace Toyer, brother, Johnny C. Curry, and sisters, Willie Lee McElrath, Annie Pearl Brown, Mable White and Joyce Ann Griffin.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories; two sons, Wilby Wallace III and Walter Fitzgerald Wallace; one daughter, Pamela Yvonne Wallace (Walter) Dates; three grandchildren she raised as her children, LaTorry (Denise) Wallace, Tamara Wallace, and Angelicia Wallace Stewart; her favorite niece, Gloria Jeannie (Curtis) Pettaway of Long Island, New York; five grandchildren; Veronica Wallace, Danielle Lindsey, Malcolm LaRay Lindsey, Walter Fitzgerald Wallace, Jr., and Kennedy S. Glover; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG **28**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. E  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Tribute Wall

VS

“💖 *We will always love and miss you auntie. sleep in heavenly peace. With love Devine Vanessa Desiree and Gabrielle.*



Vanessa Smith - August 28, 2021 at 02:10 PM

LT

“ *LAURA TWYMON lit a candle in memory of Rosa Wallace*



LAURA TWYMON - August 27, 2021 at 12:05 PM

SH

“ *Praying for the family Miss Rose Mae was a sweet lady that always had a kind word  
And a Sweet Spirit To be Absent for the Body and Present with the Lord*

sheilastockdale - August 26, 2021 at 11:49 PM

PM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



PHI GAMMA MU - August 26, 2021 at 06:42 PM

PM

We all love ❤️ you ms. wallace ..

PHI GAMMA MU - August 26, 2021 at 06:43 PM

AC

*Sending my Condolences to the Family. We were Classmate's. of 1970 last Graduation of Westside High School. God Bless the This Family during this Loss.*

*Alice Prater Chapman 🙏*

Alice Prather Chapman - August 26, 2021 at 10:33 PM

RS

“*Mrs. Wallace always seemed to be so loving and caring. She would always ask me about my mother whenever we talked or saw each other. Her concerns were genuine as she had a gentle spirit ; and a wonderful smile. I sincerely*

*cherished being in her presence . These are the memories that stand out to me when I think of her.*

*And to the family; Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers Bless you all.*

*Reginald L. Swain, aka 'Cheese'*

*Rock Hill, SC*

Reginald L . Swain - August 26, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“*Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rosa Wallace.*



August 26, 2021 at 03:41 PM

CO

“ Praying the peace and comfort of God surrounds the family. Comenthia Owens



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**Comenthia Owens** - August 26, 2021 at 03:35 PM

DJ

“ My deepest sympathies go out to her family. Mrs. Rosie Mae was a beautiful person with a beautiful spirit that will live on in the hearts and memories of the many, many people who loved her. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Mrs. Rosie Mae is living in her eternal mansion and is free from all the pain and suffering in this old world. Rest on beautiful angel, you will never be forgotten.

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**Debra Johnson** - August 26, 2021 at 09:28 AM

MM

“ Sure miss you my friend, prayers for the family



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**Minister Zeola Moore** - August 26, 2021 at 07:01 AM

CH

“ My deepest condolences to the family. My prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

*Betty Fleming*

*Carol Hughes*

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**carol hughes** - August 26, 2021 at 06:31 AM

TD

“ *Tina Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Rosa Wallace*



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**Tina Dickerson** - August 26, 2021 at 01:20 AM

AS

“ *Annette Servant lit a candle in memory of Rosa Wallace*



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**Annette Servant** - August 25, 2021 at 04:31 PM

TJ

“ *Termaine Jackson lit a candle in memory of Rosa Wallace*



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**termaine jackson** - August 25, 2021 at 01:53 PM

GW

“ *Gwendolyn Wilson lit a candle in memory of Rosa Wallace*



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**Gwendolyn Wilson** - August 25, 2021 at 01:30 PM

VG

“ Good morning To Pamela & Duke & Danielle Wallace my heart Sincerely send our bless too y'all deadly, God 🙏 is with y'all . Love Y'all Veronica.

Veronica Gilliam - August 25, 2021 at 10:52 AM



“ Heartfelt condolences to Wilby and the family.

Fred & Bev



Fred Moore - August 25, 2021 at 09:17 AM

CF

“ Calhoun Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Rosa Wallace



Calhoun Family - August 25, 2021 at 08:31 AM

PB

“ Lit a candle in remembrance of Mrs. Ross Wallace



Pamela Bradford - August 24, 2021 at 06:35 PM

VC

“ Valerie Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Rosa Wallace



Valerie Cunningham - August 23, 2021 at 11:50 PM



“ My deepest condolences and prayers for the Family 🙏



Gwennette Duncan - August 23, 2021 at 08:53 PM

YM

“ She fought a good fight. Lived a good life. Now she is with the Lord. A life well lived. I enjoyed working with her after our retirement. May God's Grace and Mercy sustain you all during these times. He loves you and we do, too. Ira & Yvonne Esrell-McElderry

Yvonne McElderry - August 23, 2021 at 04:53 PM

MR

Rosa was a great Godly woman, and I will always remember how she reached out to me and my family. I will always have that love in my heart for her and her family

Mary and Walter Russell

Mary Russell - August 24, 2021 at 11:53 AM

JW

*Sending our heartfelt condolences to the Wallace Family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. We're praying for strength and for GOD to comfort you during this difficult time.*

*Winfred & Janice Walker*

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**J Walker** - August 24, 2021 at 01:50 PM