



## Sarah Ruth Dempsey

July 10, 1932 - July 3, 2022

Sarah Ruth “MawMaw” Dempsey passed away on July 3, 2022, while under Amedisys Hospice Care at Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center. She is preceded in death by her parents, Preston & Ophelia Dabbs; husband, Reverend Odis Ray Dempsey; brothers, Robert “Buck” Dabbs, Howard Dabbs, and Jimmy Dabbs; sisters, Margaret Prater and Sadie Knight. She is survived by her sons, Randy Dempsey (Lisa), Keith Dempsey (Amy), Blake Dempsey (Jenny), and Dean Dempsey (Kim); grandchildren, Ryan Dempsey (Lauren), Daniel Dempsey (Laura), Anna Anaganostopoulos (Nicholas), Kristen Seabolt (John), Kyle Dempsey (Kailah), Jared Dempsey, Brad Dempsey, and Micah Dempsey; great grandchildren, Parker Dempsey, Sawyer Dempsey, Ryanne Addyson Dempsey, Emaline Anaganostopoulos, and Riggs Dempsey; several nieces, nephews, and extended family members and friends.

Sarah was born on July 10, 1932, in Munford, Alabama. She grew up living in the Buckhorn Community of Munford. She attended Munford schools and married Ray on January 20, 1951. They moved to Oxford where they raised their 4 sons. She was a long time faithful member of Meadowbrook Baptist Church of Oxford where she served in the kitchen daycare. While working at the daycare she became affectionately known as “MawMaw.” Her passions were cooking, singing, family, and church. She loved southern Gospel music and sang for church services and revivals. She was especially proud of her 4 sons and their families who will miss her dearly. She is now proudly reunited in

her Heavenly home with Ray and all of her family members.

Funeral Services for Sarah Ruth Dempsey will be Thursday, July 7, 2022, at Meadowbrook Baptist Church of Oxford. Visitation will be held from 12pm-1pm with a funeral service at 1pm and a graveside service following at Anniston Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Services will be conducted by Reverend Tommy Reaves and Reverend Keith Dempsey. Pallbearers will be her grandsons, Ryan Dempsey, Daniel Dempsey, Jared Dempsey, Brad Dempsey, Micah Dempsey, and Kyle Dempsey.

The family wishes to express gratitude and appreciation to the staffs of Amedisys Hospice Care, Cleburne County Nursing Home, and Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center for the loving care provided by them during her final days.

The family will accept flowers or donations may be made to Meadowbrook Baptist Church of Oxford.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 7. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Meadowbrook Baptist Church  
1125 Meadowbrook Ct  
Oxford, AL 36203  
(256) 831-1811

## Service

JUL 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Meadowbrook Baptist Church  
1125 Meadowbrook Ct  
Oxford, AL 36203  
(256) 831-1811

## Graveside Service

JUL 7 (CT)

Anniston Memorial Gardens  
4000 US-431  
Anniston, AL 36206  
(256) 820-4611

# Tribute Wall

SN

“ *My what a precious lady! I will always remember that sweet smile and lovely spirit. My most sincere condolences to Randy, Keith, Blake, and Dean. May you find comfort in a lifetime of memories, and the blessed assurance that it won't be long until we all meet again.*

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**Steve Norton** - July 06, 2022 at 07:49 PM

PP

“ *Sweet lady. She was a friend to my mother Opal Poore when they worked together at Elmore's in the mall. Have spoke with her on a few occasions through the years.*

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**Phyllis Poore** - July 05, 2022 at 10:11 PM

FC

“ *I have so many good memories of Aunt Sarah Ruth, sharing meals, trying to figure out a crochet pattern, singing those “old time religion” songs and laughing at crazy things we might say or do. I can still hear her laughter when I think of her. She was truly a blessing and inspiration to me. I'll miss her.*  
*Fay*

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**Fay Clark** - July 05, 2022 at 06:02 PM

DH

“ *So sorry to hear of your mom's passing. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. Dale Hooper*

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**Dale hooper** - July 05, 2022 at 04:50 PM