



Ruth Yates Rickman

October 11, 1935 - August 12, 2009

Ruth Yates Rickman, age 73, of Springfield, passed away Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at Centennial Medical Center. Funeral services were held Friday, August 14, 2009 at 11am in the chapel of the Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield with Reverend Don Hutchinson and Dr. Farris Moore officiating. Burial followed in the Hartsville Memorial Gardens. Serving as pallbearers were Owen Finley, Jeff Finley, Clark Finley, Keith Rickman, Billy Paul Carneal, Gary Doble, Gene Beck and Blaine Reynolds. Visitation was held at the funeral home on Thursday, August 13, 2009 from 5-8pm. Mrs. Rickman was born in Robertson County to the late Robert Ely and Eliza White Yates. She was a Title I Supervisor for the Robertson County School System and member of the First United Methodist Church in Springfield. In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her brother, William Fred Harris, Jr. and her sisters, Margaret Harris Harper and Sue Ara Childress. She is survived by her husband, Bill Wade Rickman; daughters, Mary Lisa (Steve) Grumman of Augusta, GA and Ara Bratton Rickman of Knoxville, TN; grandchildren, Merritt Grumman, Daley Grumman and Rick Grumman. Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Springfield.

Tribute Wall

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“ I worked under Ruth Rickman in the Title 1 Program for several years. She was a very nice lady. My heart goes out to you and your family during this time.

Donna Davis - August 16, 2009 at 12:55 AM

CC

“ I was privileged to have Mrs. Rickman for a teacher in elementary school. I was sharing with my co-workers just the other day as we were sharing about our school years and how she was my favorite teacher.
You are in my prayers.

Connie Calhoun - August 14, 2009 at 11:23 PM

HJ

“ Bill, So sorry to learn of Ruth's passing. She will be so missed in Springfield and Robertson County. She contributed so much to the Charlotte Reeves Robertson Chapter of the DAR. Her pain and suffering have been taken away and I know that is of some comfort to you. With sympathy, Faye and Harold

Harold and Faye Jackson - August 14, 2009 at 04:58 PM

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“ So sorry we didn't get to know Ruth better, but glad i got to speak with her on the phone. i remember her as a beautiful little girl at our house at Easter all dressed up with your outfit on. You were so precious. Cousin Bobby Mayes

Bobby & Nadean Mayes - August 14, 2009 at 04:17 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathies to your family in this time. My prayers will be with you.*

Russell Mayes - August 14, 2009 at 09:40 AM

JH

“ *We shared trials and fun working together under the Title I grant. Ruth helped make the journey easier for Judy, Connie, Sondra and me. She will be missed.*

Jo Anne Harrell - August 14, 2009 at 09:35 AM