



## Mary Ruth Henderson

May 5, 1938 - April 15, 2023

Mary Ruth Henderson, age 84, passed away peacefully to her heavenly home April 15, 2023, surrounded by her daughters and her son-in-law Mike.

Mary was born May 5, 1938 in Ward, AR to the late Hubert Harold (Pete) Smith and Gladys Pearl (Bryant) Hite.

She was predeceased by her husband of 41 years, Jimmie Ray Henderson, by her parents and by her half-sister Sheila Bynum.

Survivors are her daughters Mary Elizabeth Bailey (Mike) and Beverly Renee Hallman-Marsh, by her sister Lois Rutledge (Bill), her 5 grandchildren, Cory Hill (Sheila), Sarah Allen (Ray), Ashley Robinson (Mark), Justin Bailey (April) and Josh Bailey (Kristen), her 9 great grandchildren, Ethan, Hannah, Izabella, Jayde, Savanna, Aidan, Skylar, Brooks, Miles, and several aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews, and step-son Derrick Dickson (Sheila), and step-daughter, Regail Moritz (Randy) and dear friends Jean, Jan, Kathy and Betty. She was a member of Valley Baptist Church and loved the Lord with all her heart. Mary was a housewife; she loved to bake and enjoy the finer things in life. She loved to shop, and you would never catch her without her perfectly applied lipstick or polished nails. She loved all things beautiful, flowers, a manicured lawn, collecting rabbits and her car to shine. She was a classy lady with a touch of sass. She will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate enough to be loved by her.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, 2:00 pm, April 22, 2023, from the chapel of Searcy Powell Funeral Home with Bro. James Hays officiating.

Entombment will follow at White County Gardens mausoleum with Mike Parsley, Michael Barnett, Ethan Hill, Aidan Clark, Cory Hill and Skylar Robinson serving as pallbearers. Mike Bailey and Mark Robinson will serve as honorary pallbearers.

Visitation will be Saturday prior to the service from 1:00 pm until service at 2:00 pm.

The family will be accepting flowers, but should you extend your love with a memorial contribution, donations may be made to the Humane Society of Searcy, 112 Johnson Road, Searcy, Arkansas 72143. Donations may be made by mail or by phone, 501-268-3535. Please include in your donation, in memory of Mary Henderson. The Humane Society will notify the family of your support and kindness.

# Cemetery Details

## White County Memorial Gardens

Eastline Road and Park Avenue  
Searcy, AR 72143

# Previous Events

## Family to receive Friends

APR **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)  
2602 W. Beebe-Capps Expy  
Searcy, AR 72143  
(501) 268-7220  
searcy@powellfuneralhome.net  
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## Celebration of Life Service

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## Entombment

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APR **22**. 3:00 PM (CT)

White County Memorial Gardens  
Eastline Road  
Searcy, AR 72143

# Tribute Wall



“ *Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Ruth Henderson*



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**Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - April 22, 2023 at 10:21 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mary Ruth Henderson.*



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April 20, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you Mary Elizabeth, Renee, and family.  
May the peace of the Lord Jesus rest on you during this time of loss.*

*Blessings and love,*

*Todd & Sam Parsley*

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**Todd Parsley** - April 20, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Ruth Henderson.*



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April 20, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Ruth Henderson.*



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April 19, 2023 at 04:38 PM



“ *I spent many MANY hours at the eat in bar of Martha Hills house with Mary, Martha and Jenni.*

*Mary and Martha were instrumental in my young married life. They told tales and had ‘expert’ advice on just about every subject we touched on. I will always cherish those wonderful after work nights.*

*I love you Mary. You and Martha get the coffee ready. I’ll see y’all again !!*

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**Ginger Rogers DeMaris** - April 19, 2023 at 12:58 PM