



## Stella Lee (White) Rice

October 27, 1932 - July 2, 2021

Stella Lee (White) Rice was born into this world on October 27, 1932 to Erwin and Myrtle White. Stella was the sixth of ten children that included; Clifford, Cecil, Howard, Edith, Ollie, Stella, Hazel and baby girl (still born). Surviving siblings are Willie May (White) Sullins and Hobart Prince White.

Stella was born and raised in the depression and post-depression era around McClellan, AR and worked most of her early life on her father's farm. During her first marriage at eighteen Stella worked at various jobs in several states, bore seven children and continued life as a housewife and mother. Later, upon returning to Arkansas she married Frelen Buford Rice in November 1970.

Stella was a devout Christian and member of the Central Baptist Church of Bald Knob. She was a devoted mother who loved reading, quilting, and gardening. She worked and lived happily alongside Frelen in various jobs for the next 49 years until losing him in 2019.

Stella is survived by her seven children and their families to include; Carol Jean (Northweather) and Roland Gilbert; 2 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren; Jesse David and Petra Northweather, 4 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild; John Phillip and Nina Northweather, 3 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren; Sharon Rose (Northweather) and James Dale Wilmoth, 2 grandsons and 2 great-grandsons; Michael Anthony Northweather, 3 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; James Matthew and Terri Northweather, 7 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; and Marcus Allen and Barbara Northweather, 5 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Stella Lee Rice was a beloved mother, grandmother and wife who leaves behind a legacy of 7 children, 26 grandchildren and 55 great-grandchildren. Rest in Peace and you will be loved and missed by all.

Visitation will be on Monday, July 5, 2021 from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Funeral services will begin at 4:00 p.m. at the Powell Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eddie Meharg officiating. Interment will follow in the Fredonia Cemetery by Powell Funeral Home, Bald Knob – Judsonia. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net).

# Cemetery Details

## Fredonia Cemetery

Stanley Road  
Bald Knob, AR 72010

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 5.** 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Bald Knob)  
1272 Highway 367 North  
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## Funeral Service

**JUL 5.** 4:00 PM (CT)

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