



Mattie Ruth Jackson

April 2, 1930 - January 7, 2017

Ruth Musick Jackson, known by all as “Mama Ruth”, was born on April 2, 1930, at home in the small town of Lowell in Carroll County, Georgia. She died peacefully in her home at the age of 86 on Saturday, January 7, with children at her side. She was preceded in death by her parents, Bessie Shaw Musick and James H. Musick; sister, Lois Musick Gladney; brothers, Elbert and James Musick; two infant brothers; stepmother, Vera Cheek Ellis Musick and stepbrother, Thomas Ellis.

Ruth was also preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Joseph Eugene Jackson, known as “Daddy Gene”. She married Eugene, the love of her life, on August 17, 1946; and they resided on Franklin Road in Newnan in the house that began as one room and then grew along with the addition of each child.

Mama Ruth is survived by her five children: Diane Dawson (Jim); Cathy Wright (Lamar); Carol Glover (Banks); Connie Davis (Pat); and Alan Jackson (Denise). Twelve grandchildren include Douglas Dawson (Diane), Katie Dawson, James Dawson (Tiffany), Brian Wright (Angela), Adam Wright (Shannon), Philip Frank (Candace), Julie Roberts (Lloyd), Patrick Davis (Chris), Rob Davis, Mattie Jackson, Ali Jackson, and Dani Jackson. She is also survived by nine great-grandchildren.

Her children were blessed to have her as a stay-at-home mom until her last child, Alan, was two years old, when she took a job as cafeteria manager at International Playtex. Her experience there led her to a position as dietitian

and manager of Elm Street School cafeteria, where she served for 22 years. Following Eugene's retirement from Ford Assembly Plant in Hapeville and her retirement from Elm Street, the couple enjoyed traveling the country with friends and members of the Coweta Creek Jumpers camping club. As Alan's country music career skyrocketed, the couple's small town story became internationally known; and their world suddenly included evening gowns, tuxedos, limousines, and award shows. This fame never affected their perspective on what was important—family, faith, and friends. Following Eugene's death, Mama Ruth's lifelong love of music inspired the children to encourage her to play and sing with them in a family bluegrass/gospel band, the Straynotes.

Ruth was best known for her outgoing and vivacious personality. She never met a stranger and was happiest when doing for others. Her Sunday lunches after church for her children and their families have been a weekly tradition for decades. Her love of birds and her care and feeding of them earned her property the designation as a wildlife sanctuary.

Ruth was very grateful, due to the generosity of Alan, for the opportunity to remain in the only place she knew as home and surrounded by so many of her family and devoted caregivers until her death.

The exemplary life of this matriarch of the Jackson family will be remembered and told in word and music in a service to be held at Central Baptist Church on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 2:00 PM led by Dr. Winford Hendrix.

Visitation with the family will begin at 12:30 PM in the church fellowship hall.

Those who wish to honor Mrs. Jackson's life may do so by donations in her memory to Central Baptist Church Music Ministry 14 West Broad Street Newnan, GA 30263; Angel's House P.O. Box 657 Newnan GA 30264; The Newnan Coweta Humane Society P.O. Box 785 Newnan, GA 30264. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com. McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-3744

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Central Baptist Church
14 West Broad St.
Newnan, GA 30264

Service

JAN 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ Hi. My name is Donna Barnes. I live in Carrollton Georgia. My mother was born and raised in Lowell Ga in 1934. She died April 30, 2024. We still go to Liberty CM Church on Liberty Church Rd where she grew up. Her name was Charlsie Lewis Barnes. Her parent's names were William Price Lewis and Opal Duncan Lewis. Your grandmother Bessie Shaw Musick is buried behind my mother. No one has put flowers on your grandmother's grave since Ruth died. I knew her and Gene briefly. Also Milton and Lois used to come to the Lewis reunion back then. Congrats on your new babies. We have two new babies too, born the month mother died. Take care. I hope your dad will feel better. I know he's been sick. I know I won't never meet y'all, but I wanted to let you know that we are third cousin's.

Donna Barnes - July 22, 2024 at 01:43 AM

DB

Hi. I heard that you came to Lowell a few months ago down at Liberty church to your relatives graves. I wish I knew it and could see you. That Barnes grave and tombstone is ours. You can see it coming up the driveway. I try to text you and Mattie on fb, but I wasn't sure it was really ya'll. Our homecoming is the 4th Sunday in May. It would thrill us if ya'll came to it. Most of our members are Musicks. We just want to meet ya'll someday. Hope you get better soon. Take care and text me sometime. Congrats on your new babies. We have 3 new ones so far.

Donna Barnes - March 25 at 04:53 PM

DJ

“ Came across this after listening to Alans Song "Where were you that September morning..." My late husband John and I lived with Ruth's sister Lois and her husband Milton for a time when we first arrived in Georgia. Very giving caring people who reached out to us and offered their help. Thru Lois and Milton we also were introduced to Ruth and Eugene. Spent time with them in their home and at church. Very "down to earth" folks with kind and loving natures. Ruth sure knew how to bake a pie!! May all 4 RIP: Ruth, Eugene, Lois and Milton. Back in Michigan, Debbie Johnivan

Debbie Johnivan - August 24, 2022 at 08:27 PM



“ Dear, Mr. Alan Jackson -- [date:11/21/2020] During these strange COVID-19 days, down and depressed [at time] I took time to listen to gospel songs on YouTube and was led to your album. My wife Nora mentioned your mothers influence whom and urged you to sing these sweet songs for Jesus. You mother was right, and we've been listening now for over an hour and feeling the peace of Christ in our midst. Remember, the work of the Lord Jesus is never in vain. You encourage me by You singing these songs. Thank you. John R Borges III.

John Robert Borges III - November 21, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ Please accept my condolences !



????? ????????? - June 25, 2019 at 09:59 AM

RO

“ Allan and Denise and family,I am so sorry for the loss of you mother. I know in time the pain will ease but never completely goes away because mine passed in 2015.May God bless you and heal your broken hearts.

Robin - August 11, 2018 at 02:31 PM

DM

God bless and sending love and prayer to the family.

Debbie Mccarty - March 02, 2020 at 12:12 PM

CI

“ To The Jackson’s family: I’m so sorry for your loss. I’m late but just found her obit. Thoughts and prayers for you all.

Love
Cindy

cindy - July 13, 2018 at 11:03 PM

RN

“ To Alan, Diane, Carol, Cathy, Connie,
The service was just as Mama Ruth would have enjoyed. Y'all did a very inspirational, down home, Very Loving Farewell. The stories y'all told, The singing. Mama Ruth was very proud as always of all her kids. Precious Memories y'all have. Each one of you stay close, Make time for time together. FAMILY don't let that special Circle be broken. Angels are Among us so y'all know Mama Ruth and Daddy Gene will be watching over you.



((((((((((((((((((((((Jackson Family))))))))))))))))))
Footprints in the Sand,
R. Newman

Robbin N - January 14, 2017 at 01:30 PM

MR

Can one of write a story on mama ruth , so the good te page wil have something on the special that alan , and all can read before the specail night of in memory of mama ruthjackson

Mary roll - August 12, 2017 at 05:23 PM

RJ

So sorry for your loss , you made your mama Ruth proud. I lost my mom 2 years ago and will always miss her . Just remember she's in the arms of Jesus. My mother was a great fan of Alan. The only concert we could get her to and she passed at 83 . Bless the heats of all the family.

Reba Jones - March 27, 2021 at 09:14 PM

BB

“ *To all the Jackson family.*

May God grant you peace and comfort during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bill and Bobbie Breed

Bill Breed - January 14, 2017 at 01:23 PM

MR

“ Dearest Diane, Cathy, Carol, Connie and Alan..thanx to all of "Y'ALL" for the most inspirational celebration of life I have ever witnessed...it meant the world to me to be allowed to attend....I was fortune enough to have met Mama Ruth and Daddy Gene...I was graciously allowed to visit your precious "MAMA" in the home where y'all had an exceptional childhood.
I considered Mama Ruth as my friend...the most influential and treasured friend in my lifetime.
I deeply thank y'all for singing "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You" as her farewell song....also, t love you Alan for writing and singing "Where Her Heart Has Always Been" the hardest gig you have ever done.
I Loved them, too!
Millie Riggan
beebah@bellsouth.net

Millie Riggan - January 14, 2017 at 09:48 AM

BH

“ Brenda Huff lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Brenda Huff - January 13, 2017 at 03:02 PM

BH

So very sorry Alan about your mama, she will always be in our hearts and you and your family will be in our prayers, your mom and dad are very special people, they we're good to every one and for that we will always be thankful for. We love watching the program with your mom, you can tell by that beautiful smile how happy she was, I am a caregiver have been for 35 years and i just wont you to know keeping your mom at home was the greatest thing that you could do for her. Our prayers are with you and your family now and always God Bless you Alan, Thank you for being a great man.

Brenda Huff - January 13, 2017 at 03:12 PM

TH

Dear Alan and family,~~I am saddened by the news of your Mother's death. You are all- just like family to all your Fans who love you so. I send my most sincerest condolences ,love, and continued prayers to comfort your days ahead. I will forever love and cherish the memories of her singing along with You- her favorite song. May she now forever Stroll Over Heaven -with the love of her life. Tina Hinners

tina hinners - January 14, 2017 at 12:47 PM

HB

“ *To the Jackson Family,*

*We are sorry for your loss. Comforting thoughts are with you.
Thinking of you as you celebrate your mother's remarkable life.*

Ron and Helen Brouillette

Helen Brouillette - January 13, 2017 at 04:35 AM

ZL

“ *Being with her son Alan and being s sweet woman lam sorry for your loss to the Jackson family may your mother rest in peace from Alan Jackson fan zona*

zona loveless - January 13, 2017 at 03:36 AM

JE

“ You invited me into your home Mama Ruth ,
two different times i will never forget that as
long as i live RIP Mama Ruth you are now
with Daddy Gene

Judy Eberhardt
Jupiter. Florida



judy eberhardt - January 12, 2017 at 11:12 PM

MR

“ Millie Riggan sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Millie Riggan - January 12, 2017 at 08:48 PM

Tammy
Schneider

“ Jackson Family,

Our thoughts and prayers are,with you and
your family during this difficult time.



Tammy Schneider - January 12, 2017 at 04:37 PM

DB

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and
prayers are with the whole family.



Dana Bagby - January 12, 2017 at 03:22 PM

PS

“ *Patricia Lee Hull Smith lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Patricia Lee Hull Smith - January 12, 2017 at 12:28 PM

PS

“ *I was so sorry to hear of the passing of Mama Ruth. She was a special person, I met @ the awards ceremony in 92, and visited their "HOME" in 1993 in Newnan. You would have thought Mama Ruth had known you for years. It was a pleasure to be her pen pal, I will cherish her letters always,*

Mama Ruth I know you have no more aches or pains and are Strolling over Heaven with Daddy Gene.

May God Bless Alan and his family during their time of need. Mama Ruth is looking down from Heaven and will always be with you in your HEART! Cherish all those PRECIOUS MEMORIES.

*Patricia Lee Hull Smith
St Louis, MO....*

Patricia Lee Hull Smith - January 12, 2017 at 12:27 PM

DK

“ *Thoughts and prayers for the Jackson family...AJ fan Dawn Kropff*
🙏❤️

Dawn Kopff - January 12, 2017 at 11:56 AM

KC

“ To the Jackson Family,
My condolences go out to you during this difficult time. I too a big fan of Alan Jackson was watching the special taping at the Ryman of his gospel album and the joy in Mama Ruth's eyes and singing every word of "I want to stroll over heaven with you" and the connection it had with her and her late husband "Daddy Gene" and saying that she would one day stroll over heaven with him.



Also I lost my Dad on 3-6-06 and was called out to California during his passing, I went to the local Walmart on 3-02-06 and bought Alan's cd "precious memories " and played for my Dad while he was passing and I sang right along with them just like Mams Ruth and it also gave me comfort during that very difficult time. RIP Mama Ruth & Daddy Gene you are now together again.

Sincerely,
Kathy Cloud

Kathleen Cloud - January 12, 2017 at 09:31 AM

MA

“ I am sorry for your loss, may God's love help you in this time of need. Your family is in my prayers.



Michael W. Aldredge - January 12, 2017 at 09:23 AM

BK

“ To the Dear Jackson Family,

I am so sorry for your loss. My favorite memory was seeing your Mom enjoy herself so much as Alan sang "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You" at the Ryman. What a special lady. I wish I had the right words, but know that I care and my thoughts and prayers are with you all.



Betty Kring - January 12, 2017 at 09:17 AM

RN

“ Jackson Family,

Prayers and Condolence to you. May your sadness be filled with Memories of Mama Ruth. Just know she is with Daddy Gene watching over you. They are in Heaven walking hand in hand seeing the Beautiful place we call Heaven. Remember those Precious Memories. She taught y'all to be Humble and Kind. To have Faith in our Lord, To Love All, Have Hope for a better day. She will be surely missed by y'all her Family, Her family of who she met along her Journey of Life here on Earth. She kept her Circle together and added her links with each who crossed her path. She was a Amazing Woman. Carry on what she has taught you. Have Faith, Have Love, Have Hope. Have Faith in yourself, Have Love in yourself and Heart, Have Hope Always. She Loved y'all with all her Heart. She will always be in Heart. ((((((((((((((((((Jackson Family))))))))))))))))))))
Thanks for sharing Mama Ruth.
Sincerely,
R. Newman



Robbin N - January 12, 2017 at 08:30 AM

GP

“ Keeping the Jackson family in our prayers. May God grant you peace and comfort during this time of grief.

Ray and Gerrie Petty

Gerrie Petty - January 12, 2017 at 08:23 AM

KB

“ Sending my sincere sympathy to the Jackson family. May you all hold your precious memories close to your heart.

Karri Ekhoﬀ Barrera - January 12, 2017 at 12:29 AM

GL

“ My thoughts are with you and your family she was a beautiful loving lady wish I could have known her may God Bless you and your family at this time of loss and give you stringth to to get through this it's never easy to loss a loved one may your mother RIP God Bless in the name of Jesus Christmas amen

Glenda - January 11, 2017 at 11:05 PM

BW

Dianne, Cathy, Carol, Connie, and Alan, our thoughts and prayers are with your family on the passing of Miss Ruth. She was such a joy to me at Elm Street and always spoiled us with surprises of yeast rolls or sweet rolls. I have enjoyed your friendships over the years. Playing the piano for chorus at NHS when Cathy and Carol were in school. Lamar has been such a close friend of ours since youth, and Pat worked with Jimmy at the Post Office here in Newnan, along with Denise's dad. Love to all of you. Beth and Jimmy Walker

Beth Walker - January 12, 2017 at 09:33 AM

AN

“ Alan, we're praying for you and your family. - Adrien & Debbie Neely. 1Thess. 4:13-18

Adrien Neely - January 11, 2017 at 10:01 PM

CT

“ Cathy Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Cathy Taylor - January 11, 2017 at 08:18 PM

SP

“ My sisters and I went to your house when daddy Gene was sick and left a card and balloons on the mailbox for him. We are fans of Alans but we didn't want to both you. Mama Ruth sent us a beautiful Thank you card back and invited us to her home if we were ever back there again, but we never did. She was a great loving and caring woman. She will be missed terribly. God's blessings and strength for the Jackson family...remembering you all tomorrow and the days to come. Love, Sarah, Diana, Sharon, and sister Janice (now in heaven also) THE KANSAS CITY GIRLS...



sarah pierce - January 11, 2017 at 08:02 PM

RF

“ We are truly saddened by the passing of Ruth. She was a kind and thoughtful woman. I won't forget the day that she and Daddy Gene invited my wife and I with our visiting Granddaughter to their home for a visit. Our Granddaughter is a huge fan of Alan's and being able to meet his parents and see the home where he grew up made her trip. Our Granddaughter continued to correspond with Ruth for some time. I got to know most of the family over the years, and you're all a wonderful group! God bless you all!

Bob & Peg Fraley

Robert Fraley - January 11, 2017 at 06:50 PM



“ 5 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - January 11, 2017 at 02:21 PM

DB

As a old friend of Alan & Denise, I am deeply saddened by the passing of Miss Ruth. I know she was a sweet, sweet lady to have raised such a nice family. God's peace and comfort to you all during this difficult time.

David Burgess

David Burgess - January 11, 2017 at 08:16 PM

LB

“ *To the Ruth Jackson Family
I would like to say I enjoyed my time with her as a classmate at
Newnan High School , she and I were great friends and she was an
outstanding student.
She and I have both had long and good lives. I am sorry but I
am not physically able to attend the funeral.*

Lisle Bowers

Lisle Bowers - January 11, 2017 at 01:55 PM

RP

“ *Thoughts and prayers go to the whole
Jackson Family. She will now be singing with
the angels in heaven. She will be missed by
so many. Blessings to all, Renee LaCoste
Pitzer*



Renee LaCoste Pitzer - January 11, 2017 at 01:39 PM

PK

“ *Pamela Koon lit a candle in memory of Mattie
Ruth Jackson*



Pamela Koon - January 11, 2017 at 12:50 PM



“ 20 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - January 11, 2017 at 11:27 AM



“ *Bryan Bolton and Andrew Kintz purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.*



Bryan Bolton and Andrew Kintz - January 11, 2017 at 11:15 AM



“ *Many prayers to Alan and Denise, Cathy and Lamar, and Carol and Banks being sent from Nashville, TN. May your memories comfort you at this difficult time.*
David Holder and Eve Davenport Holder

Eve Holder - January 11, 2017 at 11:14 AM

CH

“ My condolences to the Jackson family. Mama Ruth was always so kind and friendly when we happened to be at the beauty salon at the same time. When I would ask about her children, she so enjoyed talking about them. She did a fantastic job raising her family and I could tell how proud she was. Mama Ruth was truly a "Southern" lady. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Cheryl Cole Hyde

cCheryl Hyde - January 11, 2017 at 10:57 AM

JH

“ When my phone rang the morning of Jan. 7th and I heard the caregivers voice, I knew it could not be good news. My friend, Ruth had made her Heavenly Flight to meet her Lord and Savior. I missed her immediatley. I know she is safe in the arms of Jesus, because "absent from the body is present with the Lord" I have been blessed to have Ruth as my next door neighbor the past seventy years, all my life. She was the most kind, thoughtful and compassionate lady I have ever known. I never heard an unkind word or even raise her voice to anyone. She loved and cared for my kitty cats. The cats are so sensitive, by Saturday afternoon, they were acting like they knew something was wrong.

*My thoughts and prayers are with the Jackson Family & Friends.
You will never forget her nor will I.*

James (Jim) Hutchens

Jim Hutchens - January 11, 2017 at 09:28 AM



“ *Gwen Petrie sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Gwen Petrie - January 11, 2017 at 09:01 AM



*Many of us Alan fans in Canada are praying for the Jackson family.
Wish you strength as you go through this very difficult time. RIP "Mama
Ruth"*

Gwen Petrie - January 11, 2017 at 09:03 AM



“ *Deb Durrance lit a candle in memory of Mattie
Ruth Jackson*



Deb Durrance - January 11, 2017 at 08:10 AM



“ *To the JacksonFamily: PRECIOUS MEMORIES! How they will flood
your souls!!! Mama Ruth is such a glowing testimony of
motherhood. Not only a care giver to her family, but to her friends,
her co-workers and her community. May all your memories comfort
you at this time. Can only imagine the smile on Daddy Gene's face
when the love of his life made her way home to him. God Bless all
of you, Judi Worth*

Judi Worth - January 11, 2017 at 07:25 AM



“ *My sincerest condolences to the Jackson family. So sorry for your loss. May God Bless.* ”



Janet Heishman - January 10, 2017 at 11:23 PM



“ *Monica Ford sent a virtual gift in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson* ”



Monica Ford - January 10, 2017 at 09:24 PM



Thinking of you Alan and your family tonight.

Monica Ford - January 10, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ *Sue lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson* ”



Sue - January 10, 2017 at 08:17 PM

DS

“ Donna R. Smith lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Donna R. Smith - January 10, 2017 at 06:40 PM

AN

“ i met mrs. Jackson years ago. I think it was her brother that lived
next door off framklin hwy. can't really remember. he was in a.a. I
met him when I got sober in 8-11-87. he wa an inspiration to me.
she was a very sweet lady. so sorry to your family.may the lord be
with you during your time of sorrow.

anita noble - January 10, 2017 at 06:36 PM



“ Our condolences to Alan and the family. Ms Ruth use to come into
our business on Temple Ave quiet frequently. One day she came in
to send Alan a birthday card via FedEx, because she forgot to get it
in the mail in time. She said Alan is going to get on to me for doing
this, but I have to get it to him on his birthday! She was a precious
lady and loved her family so much. She will certainly be missed.

Jesse and Dorothy Williford

Dorothy Williford - January 10, 2017 at 06:00 PM

LD

“ *Linda Davis lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Linda Davis - January 10, 2017 at 05:58 PM

SH

“ *Sheri Hathaway lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Sheri Hathaway - January 10, 2017 at 05:25 PM

RK

“ *Ms Ruth was our neighbor at Town and Country Restaurant and considered family. We send our condolences to her family. She will be missed. Memory Eternal, Ricos and Debbie Brown Kavadas.*


Ricos & Debbie Brown Kavadas - January 10, 2017 at 05:06 PM

DG

“ *In memory of Mama Ruth. Had my pic taken with her at the taping of Let It Be Christmas. She was so sweet when I ask her if she would mine, told me she would be glad to have a pic taken with me. Prayers to Alan and all the family. RIP sweet lady.*



Dot Gates - January 10, 2017 at 04:58 PM


Chrissy
Bev

“ *My Deepest sympathy to the Jackson family
& Friends, Thinking of you..ChRiSSy*



Chrissy Bev - January 10, 2017 at 04:53 PM



“ *92 files added to the album Life Tributes*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - January 10, 2017 at 03:31 PM

MS

She loved my cornbread muffins from Hemrick's across the street from her house.

Mildred Smith - January 10, 2017 at 04:22 PM

BT

“ *My heartfelt condolences go out to the
Jackson family. It's never easy on us losing
loved ones but know she is with "Daddy
Gene"" holding hands walking thru heaven.
One day you will all be united again...*



Barbara Cash, Houston Texas - January 10, 2017 at 03:19 PM

BT

Alan, know that your Mom was very proud of you. She will now be with you everywhere you go and when you stand on that stage, she will be there right with you.. See you soon in Houston. Barbara

Barbara Cash, Houston Texas - January 10, 2017 at 03:22 PM

JH

I was fortunate enough to meet, have lunch and be invited to visit her home several years ago by Ms. Ruth as part of a birthday surprise for a co-worker who is one of Alan's biggest fans. She was so gracious and I was most impressed that even though we were there because of Alan, she spoke equally of all her children and how proud she was of each of their accomplishments. A true Mothers love.

Jane Harkins - January 10, 2017 at 05:42 PM

SA

“ *Mama Ruth was a beautiful lady and perfect mother to Alan and her entire family. I wish I had known her personally. I have seen her many times on Alan's DVD's but that is all. I will pray for her soul and miss her a great deal.*

To Alan: You can still talk to your mother who is with God now. He wanted her and could not wait. She sees you everywhere you go now. Be happy Alan. You were lucky to have her at all.

*Suzanne Farran
aka Alanfan*

Suzanne Farran aka Alanfan - January 10, 2017 at 02:12 PM

MT

“ My sincere sympathy to all of Mama Ruth's large family. It is neat that her maiden name was "Musick" because music was such a big part of her life.

I first got to know Mrs. Jackson at Elm Street School when I was teaching there. I recalled conversations when she said she hoped Alan would make it in the music field in Nashville.

She was a good cook, too. I remember delicious homemade cinnamon rolls in Elm Street's cafeteria, and she would even put some out later for the teachers.

Love and God's blessings to you all.

Menlia Trammell - January 10, 2017 at 12:53 PM

CM

“ Celia Millard lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



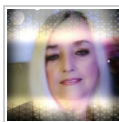
Celia Millard - January 10, 2017 at 12:30 PM

DN

“ Mama Jackson RIP Sweet Lady, Although I never met her, my heart goes out to Alan and his family, I lost my mama last year and there is no pain for a boy than to lose his mama..Be strong my man..you'll meet her again one day...



Dana Brock. Newnan - January 10, 2017 at 11:35 AM



Lit a candle in memory of a Beautiful lady wi) never be forgotten

Glenda Lopez - January 10, 2017 at 11:04 PM

KH

“ I forgot to say Alan's Fan Club Party was at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville that year.

Kathy Hylton - January 10, 2017 at 10:24 AM



“ my heart goes out to the whole family.there was never a sweeter lady then mama ruth she never meet a stranger, she was loved and liked by everyone she talked to .. she will be missed ...love you mama ruth...

Judy Norton - January 10, 2017 at 10:24 AM

KH

“ My memory of Ruth Jackson was in 1996 at Alan's Fan Club Party during Fan Fair week. She was at the side of the stage taking pictures. My sisters and I said she was making her own photo memories of her son. It was so sweet.

May she rest in peace. She was a beautiful lady.

An Alan fan since the beginning of his career.....Kathy Hylton,
Topeka, Kansas



Kathy Hylton - January 10, 2017 at 10:22 AM

GM

“ Gina McConahy lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Gina McConahy - January 10, 2017 at 10:00 AM

SW

“ I want to send my heartfelt condolences to the entire Jackson family. I bought a copy of "Precious Memories" for my dear friend Geraldine and it made the last few years of her life special. I'm so thankful that Mrs. Ruth inspired Alan to record that album. God bless all of you.

Susan Weegar - January 10, 2017 at 09:05 AM

JU

“ Judymccafferty lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Judymccafferty - January 10, 2017 at 07:53 AM

MH

“ Mary Hill lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



mary hill - January 10, 2017 at 04:45 AM

GP

“ Gwen Petrie lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Gwen Petrie - January 10, 2017 at 02:42 AM



Praying that Jesus wraps his arms around Alan and the whole Jackson family and gives you strength at this very difficult time. RIP "Mama Ruth"

Gwen Petrie - January 10, 2017 at 02:44 AM

DB

“*My mother and I are very sorry to hear about Ruth. I'm glad we got to see them at one of our Lewis Reunion in Carrollton, Ga. I don't remember what yr. Her mother is buried at our church. Mother was her second cousin. Her name is Charlsie Lewis Barnes. Her parent's were Price and Opal Lewis. Price was Ruth's first cousin on her mother's side. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Donna Barnes - January 10, 2017 at 12:34 AM

TP

“*Though I never met Mrs. Ruth, as a lifelong Alan fan, I feel like I know her through his music and I know she was a wonderful wife, mom, grandmother and community member of Newman Ga. I always heard she welcomed Alan's fans to her home, but I was always afraid of intruding, but now I do regret never meeting this remarkable woman. Thoughts and prayers for her entire family! Thanks for giving us your talented son and encouraging him to make his Precious Memories Albums. They have been a great comfort to me, this year especially since I lost my Mom in June in a tragic car accident. God bless the family!*
Tammy Pleasant

Tammy Pleasant - January 09, 2017 at 10:36 PM

EW

“ So sorry for your loss. A genuine lovely woman who met all the definitions of a lady; but the love she had for her family and friends and even strangers is what many will always remember about her. I met her once many years ago in Newnan and she had a fantastic smile and told us she smiled because she had a good family. Prayers for all.

Edna Wilson - January 09, 2017 at 10:28 PM

BH

“ ~~~Thanks you Ruth for you was a sweet lady you will be missed by a lot of friends. You will be in our hart's every time your son sings a song .And thank you for the grate country Sanger you have give us .~~~



bobby hollingshead - January 09, 2017 at 08:48 PM

CJ

“ With love, to you all - Diane, Cathy, Carol, Connie, Alan - and all your families. I will miss my friend. She was a beautiful light in my life, and I thank you for sharing her with so many. I will so miss her being in this world.

Connie Jones - January 09, 2017 at 08:45 PM

CJ

This is amazing I am Connie Jones from Kansas ! My late husband and I met Ruth and Eugene at Alan's fan club party in Nashville Tn we become friends and visited them over The Years at Newman Ga at their home such sweet Couple ! Last seen Ruth in 2004 ! She and Eugene was So nice loved spending time with them . So special memories . Ruth and Eugene are strolling over heaven together! God bless I am no 73 in Alan Fan club . Praying for Alan and his family !

Connie Jones - January 09, 2017 at 10:35 PM

SK

“ Sharon Kuh lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Sharon Kuh - January 09, 2017 at 07:34 PM



“ Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.



January 09, 2017 at 07:33 PM

CW

“ *Didn't know Mrs.Jackson but really love Alan's music. I wanted so send my deepest sympathy and pray that you all find peace in your hearts knowing that your angel has earned her wings and has begun her real life in heaven and will always be your hearts. May God Bless you all. I will pray for the family.*



Charlene Watson

Charlene Watson - January 09, 2017 at 07:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.*



January 09, 2017 at 06:44 PM



“ *Sandra Maria Nascimento sent a virtual gift in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Sandra Maria Nascimento - January 09, 2017 at 06:42 PM



“ *Sandra Maria Nascimento lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Sandra Maria Nascimento - January 09, 2017 at 06:37 PM



“ *Alan , Denise, and Family: Just wanted you to know that I am feeling all your pain and sadness during this difficult time. I have a very heavy heart and have been crying every since I found out about Mama Ruth and have had a hard time sleeping. My husband says that I have a very caring heart, just like you do Alan. Can not get your song "Home" out of my head. My heartfelt condolences to you and your family during this difficult tiime. You are all in my heart, prayers, and thoughts. I am sending a sympathy card to you and your family. Love From Your #1 Fan Linda Beaton Of Calgary.*



Linda Beaton - January 09, 2017 at 06:01 PM



“ *God bless the Jackson family at this difficult time. With love , Waylon and Chrissy Jones*



Chrissy Jones - January 09, 2017 at 05:33 PM

RG

“ Rose & Winnon Gilley lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Rose & Winnon Gilley - January 09, 2017 at 04:58 PM

SD

“ Shelly Duncan lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Shelly Duncan - January 09, 2017 at 04:28 PM

RS

“ Robin Smith lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Robin Smith - January 09, 2017 at 04:20 PM

RS

Prayers for Alan and Family 🙏

Robin Smith - January 09, 2017 at 04:22 PM

JM

SO SORRY TO HEAR THIS////.

JAN MARLOW - January 09, 2017 at 08:13 PM

Cliff
Chance

“ Thoughts and prayers go out to the Jackson family



Cliff Chance - January 09, 2017 at 04:05 PM

Katie
Wessinger

“ Katie Wessinger lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Katie Wessinger - January 09, 2017 at 04:04 PM

RH

“ Ramona Hoover lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Ramona Hoover - January 09, 2017 at 03:43 PM

RH

Our thoughts & prayers are with Alan & the family during this very sad time... When your parent passes away,,part of your heart goes with them.....Another angel received her wings,,& as she entered the pearly gates,, Daddy Gene & The Lord was waiting too greet her,,,Now they are Strolling Across Heaven together...Everyone will be thinking of you and your family...Draw strength & comfort from one another....Know you were truly blessed to have her in your lives....Love & Prayers...The Hoover Family....

Ramona Hoover - January 09, 2017 at 03:56 PM

SK

“ Although I didn't get to see her very often, mama Ruth and I had become great friends. She was always so kind to me and we marveled at how much we had in common, despite the 30 years difference in our ages. When we talked on the phone, she would always ask... "how's the weather over there in Mississippi?" I remember a particular time when wrapping up our conversation on the phone, Msma Ruth said, "plan to come back and visit me soon, I enjoy your visits" I told her I would and thank you. I don't know, but I think it was habit with her own children; she said, "I love you...bye bye..." I was so touched. I'm glad that I said to her, "I love you, too, Mama Ruth..." (I worked in Atlanta occasionally at Americasmart and I brought gourmet pecans to Mama Ruth and family. Sometimes she would call me "the nut lady") I loved her. My prayers for peace are with her family.

Sherry Kelly - January 09, 2017 at 03:36 PM

RW

Prayers for the Jackson family. I feel I knew her from Alan and her family talking about her. So sorry for your loss but just know she is an angel with her husband Eugene for they are reunited and watching over there family's always. Hugs!

Robin Wheeler - January 09, 2017 at 05:27 PM

KM

“ May your many, wonderful memories, sustain you, until you meet again.

Sincerest condolences,

Karen Murphy-Bryan

Karen Murphy-Bryan - January 09, 2017 at 03:31 PM

WG

“ *With love, Denise's Prayer Group purchased the Divine Light for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.*



With love, Denise's Prayer Group - January 09, 2017 at 02:41 PM

CP

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Miss Ruth's passing....she will be missed by so many folks!!! She was such a kind soul.....and she is now walking those streets of gold..rest now Miss Ruth your job on this Earth is over.*

Cindy Moore Powell - January 09, 2017 at 02:06 PM

RT

“ *She has to be a rose*



Rebecca Turner - January 09, 2017 at 01:33 PM

MB

“ *MARILYN BRYAN lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



MARILYN BRYAN - January 09, 2017 at 01:02 PM

MB

Prayers for the family. So sorry for your loss. GOD BLESS.

MARILYN BRYAN - January 09, 2017 at 01:04 PM

EF

I enjoyed fellowship with Ruth and Gene in the camping group and having them in our home for supper one night. She was not only a beautiful woman on the outside, but also on the inside. A treasure...and I know her family and this community felt the same way.

Ellie Farrington - January 09, 2017 at 03:28 PM

KT

“ I had the privilege of meeting Ms. Ruth. She was a very kind and sweet lady. I am so sorry for your loss. I will lift your family in prayer in the days ahead. I too know the pain of loosing your Mama. And like Mama Ruth, I too am from Lowell, Ga. Still live here today at our old home place. A gift from my Mama...

Kaye Thornton - January 09, 2017 at 12:56 PM

OR

“ Prayers for all your Family Alan, so sorry for the loss of your Mother & Grandmother. I know you will all miss her dearly. Love & Sympathy.



Oleta M. Reed - January 09, 2017 at 11:52 AM

SF

“ Sean Petty and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.



Sean Petty and family - January 09, 2017 at 11:32 AM

AK

“ April Oliver Kendzierski lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



April Oliver Kendzierski - January 09, 2017 at 11:21 AM

AK

I am sorry for your loss. Prayers of comfort with entire family.

April Oliver Kendzierski - January 09, 2017 at 11:22 AM

WR

“ Wanda J Rush lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Wanda J Rush - January 09, 2017 at 10:48 AM

WR

No words can express what you are going through. Everybody grieves in different ways. Just remember , God will take care of you. From a fan !

Wanda J Rush - January 09, 2017 at 10:52 AM

PC

“ To all "Mama Ruth's" Family, I have known Ruth since I was eight years old as my family lived on Belk Rd. that was diagonally across from her home on Franklin Hwy. She and Gene were always visible at First Baptist Church. Ruth and I gave birth to sons just days apart at Newnan Hospital who later attended NHS together. It was a pleasure to work with Ruth in the School System and attend workshops with her. She was genuine, caring and a role model for a godly woman and Mother. She would often deliver her food service reports to the office so she could bring all of us in bookkeeping up to date on Alan's progress and to remind us to call the radio station to play his music. If she did not make it in, she called and we all obliged. You all made her happy and fulfilled many dreams for her. Find peace and comfort in knowing that she is in the presence of the Lord and Gene.

Pat Craven

Pat Craven - January 09, 2017 at 10:39 AM

CA

Miss Ruth was s good kind hearted godly women's no could cook s chocolate pound as good as hers! Rip

charlenr atkinson - January 09, 2017 at 12:22 PM



“ Heavenly Sentiments Spray was purchased for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.



January 09, 2017 at 10:37 AM

CB

“ I am so sorry about the death of your mother. Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Carla Brown

Carla Brown - January 09, 2017 at 10:35 AM

PW

“ One of the most gracious, kindest ladies I've ever met. So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the Jackson family.

Paul Wallace - January 09, 2017 at 10:03 AM

DD

“ God Bless You Alan, Denise and Family.....
May God lend you the comfort that you need to get through this. My heart goes out to you and your family,

Respectfully.

Dawn Davis (A Fan Forever, Canton, Georgia)

Dawn Davis - January 09, 2017 at 10:01 AM

PA

“ To the Jackson family, I am so sorry for your great loss and my heart goes out to you all. I was blessed to know Ruth and Gene when I became a member of their camping club shortly after the death of my husband. They were so kind and gracious to me and I will never forget it. God bless you all in this time. Peggy Augsburg

Peggy Augsburg - January 09, 2017 at 09:47 AM

MY

“ Condolences to the family on Mrs. Ruth's passing. Oh I remember those days way back when at Elm Street Elementary and those lunch rolls! Oh yes! May God give you peace and comfort in the days ahead. Mike & Bev Yeager Family

Mike Yeager - January 09, 2017 at 09:34 AM

SS

“ May God bless the Jackson family in their time of sorrow. Hapeville, Ga. is keeping the family in our prayers.

Shelia Scott - January 09, 2017 at 09:32 AM

SS

“ To all of the Jackson family, sorry to hear about Ms. Ruth, she was one sweet lady and always had a kind word and a smile for everyone. We were neighbors for years and I had the privilege of getting to see her often when she worked at Playtex and also when she worked at Elm Street. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God give you comfort and peace during this difficult time. Love, Syble Holdbrooks Storey

Syble Storey - January 09, 2017 at 09:29 AM

NO

“ Thinking of you during this difficult time.
Sincerely, Nevelle Owens

Nevelle Owens - January 09, 2017 at 09:12 AM

ST

“ I remember being at Elem Street School going through the lunch line to be greeted with a smile and an extra hot fresh roll by Ms. Ruth. Genny and I have many memories from the Jackson family. Such a great family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Steve & Genny Threlkeld

Steve Threlkeld - January 09, 2017 at 08:59 AM

KJ

“ Kimberly Jones lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Kimberly Jones - January 09, 2017 at 08:50 AM

JG

“ Alan and family, we send our condolences and love. God bless you and comfort you. I lost my mother on November 25, so the loss is very fresh on my mind. We think of you often. Our love, John and Hilda Goins.



John and Hilda Goins - January 09, 2017 at 08:39 AM

FF

“ Our prayers are with all the family. I loved the food, especially the rolls, at Elm Street School when I attended in the sixties. I found out later in life that Miss Ruth was the main reason it was all so good. May God's peace be with all of you during this difficult time of loss.
Sincerely,
Frank M. Farmer

FRANK AND MELODY FARMER - January 09, 2017 at 08:36 AM

KC

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss, keeping you and the family in my thoughts and prayers*

kathy carver - January 09, 2017 at 08:34 AM

PS

“ *Rest In Peace mama Ruth.*



penny sabatini - January 09, 2017 at 07:56 AM

TI

“ *Tina Ivey lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Tina Ivey - January 09, 2017 at 07:41 AM

TI

Sending prayers and comfort.

Tina Ivey - January 09, 2017 at 07:42 AM

CB

Rest in peace, Mama Ruth. You raised a beautiful family. Sending prayers to all.

Cindy Barker - January 09, 2017 at 09:45 AM

LH

“ Sending prayers of strength and gentle thoughts to the Jackson Family. Having recently lost my Mother, the loss will be the worst yet best day of your life: you will mourn the loss of her with you and rejoice in knowing the next time she opened her eyes, she saw the face of God.



Lisa Haney
Newnan, GA

Lisa Haney - January 09, 2017 at 07:40 AM

MS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I am so sorry

mary surdyski - January 09, 2017 at 07:24 AM

CH

“ ChRiSSy lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



ChRiSSy - January 09, 2017 at 06:39 AM

CH

“ Im so glad I had the honor to get to talk to you :) Every thought & Memory of you has been a Pleasure. You will be missed by many. My sympathy TO: Cathy, Carol, Connie, Diane, Alan And your family & Friends. Its a Good thought to know "Your strolling over Heaven With Daddy Gene" XOXOX ChRiSSy

ChRiSSy - January 09, 2017 at 06:37 AM

NH

“ You will be missed. So enjoyed our visits. A gracious lady, indeed. You were dearly loved by your children and husband. A special shout out to daughter Diane. She worked lovingly in your yard. Her daughter, Katie, was a friend of ours. So sorry for your loss. Love and prayers.

Nancy Anne Hay - January 09, 2017 at 05:57 AM

GW

“ Our thoughts are with the Jackson family upon the passing of this sweet woman. Bobby and I were saying yesterday that we never heard her say an unkind word and that we never heard anyone say anything but good about her. May she rest in peace after fulfilling her tasks and living a long, full life. We ask for comfort for the family at this sad time as it is so hard to deal with the absence of someone so was vivacious and full of life.



Geraldine and Bobby Welch - January 09, 2017 at 05:46 AM

Debbie
Mckenzie
Vanderford

“ I am so sorry for your loss I seen your mom in the grocery store and one day me and her talked and she is a really sweet lady



Debbie Mckenzie Vanderford - January 09, 2017 at 05:38 AM

RF

“ I am so sorry about the passing of your Mom. I didn' know her, but she was a beautiful lady. God bless you and your family!



Rosetta Fulkerson - January 09, 2017 at 05:26 AM

KH

“ My thoughts and Prayers are with you all

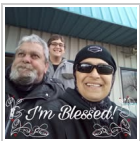


Kay Cochran Hemmings - January 09, 2017 at 05:12 AM

DC

“ Mrs, Ruth,
I know you are in heaven now with your husband. I know all of your children will know where you are at. I will have prayers for your family.

Darlene Callahan - January 09, 2017 at 05:11 AM



“ Daina Nash lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Daina Nash - January 09, 2017 at 04:57 AM

JG

“ Sorry for your loss, Alan Jackson & families. God bless each and every one of you, in your time of sorrow. Love Alan's family, because a long-time fan.

Ann Goodno

Post Office Box 1,

Baileytown Alabama 35019

Thanks for letting me share my sympathies. God Bless , Alan & family.

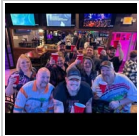
Joyceann Goodno - January 09, 2017 at 03:54 AM



Quentin Primm

So sorry for your loss thoughts are with you and your family in time of need

Quentin Primm - January 09, 2017 at 04:07 AM



“ sorry for your loss Alan Jackson and family
god bless



Casey Mallary - January 09, 2017 at 02:20 AM

BR

“ Barbara Ray lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Barbara Ray - January 09, 2017 at 01:21 AM



“ *Linda Cagle lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Linda Cagle - January 09, 2017 at 01:13 AM



“ *May the good LORD wrap the entire family in HIS loving arms & give them peace & comfort to get them thru this time* ❤️



Linda Cagle - January 09, 2017 at 01:12 AM



“ *Heartfelt condolences to Alan Jackson and his family during this difficult time. You all are in my heart, prayers and thought.*



Linda Beaton - January 09, 2017 at 12:40 AM



“ *My Prayers are with all of Mama Ruth's Family. I'm heart broken for you all. She's "Strolling Over Heaven" with Mr. Daddy Gene Jackson right now and forever.*



Monica Ford - January 09, 2017 at 12:29 AM

LB

“ Heartfelt condolences to Alan Jackson and his family during this difficult time. You all are in my heart, prayers, and thoughts.

Linda Beaton - January 09, 2017 at 12:12 AM

 Pricilla Walling-Grice

“ Alan, Denise and family,
Our deepest sympathies in the passing of your Momma. May Our Precious Lord be with y'all during this time.
Our love and prayers,
Charles and Pricilla Grice

Pricilla Walling-Grice - January 08, 2017 at 11:56 PM



“ Go rest high on that mountain she was a sweet lady I will wait we are very sorry for your loss you're in our thoughts and prayer
God bless you



Michael Jones - January 08, 2017 at 11:35 PM

GP

“ Alan, Denise and all of the Jackson family, My sincerest condolences of the loss of a special and wonderful mother. Hold your memories close. Warm thought and prayers to each and every one of you. She is free of pain and back with your daddy again. It will take time to get through this. Look after yourselves. RIP "Mama Ruth"

Feeling some of your pain. An Alan fan.

Gwen Petrie - January 08, 2017 at 11:31 PM

PL

“ Patricia Lester sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Patricia Lester - January 08, 2017 at 11:11 PM

PL

“ Patricia Lester sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Patricia Lester - January 08, 2017 at 11:08 PM

PL

“ Patricia Lester lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Patricia Lester - January 08, 2017 at 11:08 PM

EF

“ So sorry for your loss. May God wrap his loving arms around you children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. And give you peace and comfort during these trying times.

I remember going to Elm Street school and having lunch with Mama Ruth and my mother in law , Willie Mae Florence. Mama Ruth always had a beautiful smile on her face and always made you feel special.

She was a very sweet kind lady. After Alan's music career started and he was on the Country Music award shows , I saw Mama Ruth in the audience smiling that beautiful smile.

Gone but Never forgotten.

Emily Florence - January 08, 2017 at 10:59 PM

PL

“ I have loved Allen Jackson music for a very long time and I know what he and his sisters and the rest of his family is going through at this time I lost my mom first it's been a long time then less then a year ago I lost my dad he was 95 years old when we lost him last year so I just wanted to say I am so sorry for your loss and it will take time to heal but you will never got over it but she will always be with you no matter where you r r where you go she will always be there watching over you and as it hurts alway remember she has no more pain and one day you will see and be with her once again. Love your biggest Fan (Lester P.)



Patricia Lester - January 08, 2017 at 10:56 PM

TP

“ *Tim And Stephanie Pike lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Tim and Stephanie Pike - January 08, 2017 at 10:51 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.*



January 08, 2017 at 10:51 PM

SH

“ *Susan Heine lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Susan Heine - January 08, 2017 at 10:50 PM

PW

“ *Thoughts and prayers to Ms. Ruth's family. I always enjoyed her interviews.*



Peggy White - January 08, 2017 at 10:50 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. May God cover your family with His grace and mercy to see you through this time of grief. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. God bless.

Jo Stone - January 08, 2017 at 10:46 PM

PS

“ Patricia Stidham lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



patricia stidham - January 08, 2017 at 10:31 PM



“ Karen Elizbeth lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Karen Elizbeth - January 08, 2017 at 10:28 PM

PA

“ Patricia Stidham Wedowee Al lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



patricia stidham wedowee al - January 08, 2017 at 10:27 PM

RN

“ Robbin N sent a virtual gift in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Robbin N - January 08, 2017 at 10:12 PM

Florie Jo Starnes

Praying for Alan and the rest of the family. God be with y'all in this time of need

Florie Jo Starnes - January 08, 2017 at 10:28 PM

KP

“ Kathleen P. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mattie Ruth Jackson.



Kathleen P. - January 08, 2017 at 10:11 PM

RN

“ To The Jackson Family,
Sorry to hear of Mama Ruth's passing. Use to see her out and about. Met Alan before that and my step Dad introduced me to Mama Ruth. Lost my Mom in 1999 and still today when I have a issue. I just look to the Heavens and say What would Mom say to me? That's what I do. Alan you are blessed in so many way. Have Faith you will get through this rough time. You have your Family and Denise and your girls, Sisters and your Fans. We love you and your Family (((((Jackson Family)))))). Mama Ruth and Daddy Gene will be watching over y'all from Heaven together. Your Music will shine,
R.N. Fayetteville, Ga



Robbin N - January 08, 2017 at 10:09 PM

JS

“ Judy Sutton lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Judy Sutton - January 08, 2017 at 10:00 PM

JS

“ Deepest Sympathy Judy Sutton

Judy Sutton - January 08, 2017 at 09:59 PM

PP

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers. Pat Price
Royston Ga



Pat Price - January 08, 2017 at 09:58 PM



“ Tammy Perkins Jaxon lit a candle in memory
of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Tammy Perkins Jaxon - January 08, 2017 at 09:32 PM

BM

“ Barbara Whiteman Matter lit a candle in
memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Barbara Whiteman Matter - January 08, 2017 at 09:32 PM

GH

“ Gena Helton lit a candle in memory of Mattie
Ruth Jackson



gena helton - January 08, 2017 at 09:29 PM

SC

“ *Sandra Jackson Campbell lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Sandra Jackson Campbell - January 08, 2017 at 09:26 PM

DB

“ *Denise Borders lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Denise Borders - January 08, 2017 at 09:17 PM

DB

I am so sorry for the loss of mamma Ruth..she was loved by all.prayers going out to your family.

Denise Borders - January 08, 2017 at 09:20 PM

JM

“ *Janice Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Janice mitchell - January 08, 2017 at 09:12 PM



“ *My heart goes out to Alan Jackson and his family in their time of grief. I lost my mom in 2011 so I understand. She raised a very strong and loving family and I am sure they will all be together and share memories with each other in comfort. Rip Mrs Jackson and be happy in heaven with your beloved husband Eugene Jackson.*

Chris Schultz Webley - January 08, 2017 at 09:09 PM

NB

Prayers to all of the Jackson family what a beautiful life Ruth had and now she is with Her husband. God Bless You All Amen Love and Hugs

Normajeane Bingaman - January 08, 2017 at 10:28 PM

“ I'm so very sorry for the Loss of Mama Ruth. I've always been a very big fan of Alan's so therefore I've been to many of his concerts & feel very blessed to have met Mama Ruth & Daddy Gene. I was at a concert in Knoxville, TN & was sitting to the left of stage when I saw Denise walk from backstage & take her seat. After she was seated I walked over to her, sat down beside her & introduced myself to her. I told her how much I loved Alan's music & how much I appreciated her for her support of her husband. I told her I had been watching her at the award shows since their first child was born. She thanked me, squeezed my hand & then gave me a hug before I left. That meeting of her led me to meet Gene. He was standing a few steps upward about half way between my seat & Denise's. He called out to me & I went over to see what he wanted. I did not know he was Alan's dad at the time. Him calling out to me was him letting me know that Alan was his son. His smile was so big & bright. I will never forget it. I can see him standing on those steps to this day. I got to see him at other concerts but, because of security all I could do was wave to both him & Mama Ruth. They always had big smiles. After Daddy Gene passed away, I believe only 2 weeks not sure, Alan did the Rodeo show in Texas. My husband & I could tell how hard it was for him to perform. We had been to so many concerts since he first broke out into the business. We never got tired of seeing his shows. To this day I don't know how he made it through that night.

As of that time I had not met Mama Ruth. When Alan did the benefit for the Angels House in his hometown in Georgia I think we were the first ones there. We sat on a blanket on the ground & it was so cold. I saw Denise

& Mama Ruth taking there seats that had been set up for them.

After they were seated I went over spoke to Denise & introduced myself to Mama Ruth. She was wearing a black mink coat. I told her how beautiful it was & she let me know it was a gift from Alan. She was so proud of him. The last time I got to see her was the night of the debut of his gospel CD at the Ryman auditorium. What a beautiful night! Lots of Alan's family was there. I felt just like family that could not be with them. I've always felt the Jackson family was

raised & taught to be a follower of God. So many of his songs make me think of my Mom & Dad & how I was raised. I am so sorry for all of the Jackson family. My prayers will be with you. I lost my husband almost 4 years ago & even today it seems like yesterday. Hold your family tight & let them know how much you love them. We never know when it's our last day. Me, My husband, my mother, my daughter & her family were on vacation in Panama City Beach, Florida the weekend we left Nashville TN after being there all week for CMA Fest. My husband got caught up in a RIP TIDE & drown. It was a very long drive from there back to our home in HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS. My heart is breaking for all of you!
SINCERELY LINDA COTNAM 😭😭😭😭💕💕💕💕💕💕🙏🙏🙏

Linda Cotnam - January 08, 2017 at 09:00 PM

ES

“ Prayers of comfort for the Jackson family. Her love will carry on in you all. Hold the memories near and speak of them often.



Elizabeth Sampson - January 08, 2017 at 08:51 PM

DW

“ Mrs. Jackson was such a kind and warm lady. It was a pleasure to work with her at Elm St. Whenever I had the chance, I went up to the kitchen...there was a friendly and welcoming atmosphere there. May God bless and keep you all on the shadow of His wings...

Dianne Webb - January 08, 2017 at 08:50 PM

TD

“ I wanted to send my condolences, I know she will be missed. She had a great love for music and so do I. Hold on to all your great memories and the music, with God's help you will get through the hard times.

*Love To All,
Tammy Dills*

Tammy Dills - January 08, 2017 at 08:48 PM

SW

“ So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers. Mama Ruth is now strolling over heaven with daddy gene.

Shaun Webster - January 08, 2017 at 08:38 PM



Sheliah
Huddleston

“ Sheliah Huddleston lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Sheliah Huddleston - January 08, 2017 at 08:34 PM

PV

“ Alan and all the Jackson family, I send my deepest sympathy and prayers for peace during this difficult time. May God bless you all.



Pat Vance - January 08, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ To Alan and family, so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom, our prayers are with you and god bless.

Kathy and Barry Mahley - January 08, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ Deborah Smith lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Deborah Smith - January 08, 2017 at 08:21 PM



“ Nelva Kirkland lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Nelva Kirkland - January 08, 2017 at 08:21 PM



My thoughts and prayers go to the Jackson family.

Nelva Kirkland - January 08, 2017 at 08:23 PM



Prayers for Alan and his family, I can imagine what you are going through, I lost my Mom 7yrs. ago and it still breaks my heart. You have an angel watching over you now. Until you meet again, 🙏🙏

Sandy Caldwell - January 08, 2017 at 09:15 PM

EP

“ *Praying for the family. Mama Ruth will be missed.*

Eddie R. Parrott

Eddie Parrott - January 08, 2017 at 08:16 PM

DB

“ *So sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. You, your sisters, and each of your family members are in my prayers. Our God is good. I know that He will comfort and guide you at this time.*

Dale Brantley - January 08, 2017 at 08:06 PM

KN

So sorry for your loss .My pray is with u and the family .

Kathy Nelson - January 08, 2017 at 08:20 PM

KP

“ *Kathy Pietras lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Kathy Pietras - January 08, 2017 at 08:06 PM

KP

My deepest sympathy to Alan and his family on the passing of Mama Ruth. She is now with the Lord and her beloved husband. Eugene. My prayers are with all of you.

*Sincerely
KathyPietras*

Kathy Pietras - January 08, 2017 at 08:13 PM

NC

mama ruth was an inspiration to alan -his music now mama can stroll over heaven with her husband eugene bless her heart - her loved ones such a beautiful lady

nettie crewell - January 08, 2017 at 08:23 PM

WL

“ *Enjoyed the Precious Memories T.V. show Alan did for his Mom. She was in the audience and seem to enjoy the collection of hymns so much. Sympathy to Alan and his family. Wanza Lewis, Dallas, GA*

Wanza Lewis - January 08, 2017 at 08:06 PM

MR

“ *Mildred Ray lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Mildred Ray - January 08, 2017 at 08:05 PM

FF

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with the family .May God comfort you with His love.*



Francis Futral - January 08, 2017 at 08:04 PM

RP

“ Renee Proctor lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Renee Proctor - January 08, 2017 at 08:01 PM

DH

“ Debbie Hudson lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson



Debbie Hudson - January 08, 2017 at 08:01 PM

DJ

“ Dear The Jackson Family,
We are so sorry to hear of Miss Ruth's death. She was indeed, a
beautiful person, inside and out. She sat an example that's not
many people couldn't live up too. She was very proud of her Family
and they were also proud of her and it showed. Our prayers are with
you during this very difficult time.
God loves you and we do too,
Don and Mildred Jones

Don and Mildred Jones - January 08, 2017 at 08:01 PM

SW

“ Shirley Earlywine Willoughby lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Shirley Earlywine Willoughby - January 08, 2017 at 08:01 PM

SW

“ Alan and family so sorry to hear of your loss. Sending prayers your way . Sincerely Shirley Earlywine Willoughby Cynthiana Kentucky.

Shirley Earlywine Willoughby - January 08, 2017 at 08:00 PM

LC

“ Leroy Cleveland lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Leroy cleveland - January 08, 2017 at 07:56 PM

PG

“ Pam Garrett lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Pam Garrett - January 08, 2017 at 07:56 PM

LC

“ sorry to learn of your loss Alan , may god comfort you during this tough time

Leroy cleveland - January 08, 2017 at 07:55 PM

VB

“ So sorry for your loss. Your Mom sounded like a great Mom and grandmother. Prayers to your family. I remember seeing a clip of her saying she wanted Alan to sing "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You" If he does this, I pray to give him strength to get through it, as I now it will be hard to do.

Velma Brown - January 08, 2017 at 07:54 PM

VS

“ So sorry for your loss. Your Mom sounded like a great Mom and grandmother. Prayers to your family. I remember seeing a clip of her saying she wanted Alan to sing "I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You" If he does this, I pray to give him strength to get through it, as I now it will be hard to do.

Velma Brown, Aiken, SC - January 08, 2017 at 07:53 PM

RH

“ Rene Hudson-Gatlin lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Rene Hudson-Gatlin - January 08, 2017 at 07:52 PM

MH

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for Alan and his whole family.



Mechell Hensley - January 08, 2017 at 07:50 PM

AH

“ So sorry for your loss. May the good lord comfort you in your time of sorrow. My prayers and thought are with you.

Anita Hager - January 08, 2017 at 07:45 PM

CH

“ Christine lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Christine - January 08, 2017 at 07:43 PM

DW

“ Im so sorry for yer Loss, May God Bless all of you Praying for The Jackson Family!

Debbie Walters - January 08, 2017 at 07:43 PM

KL

“ What a wonderful woman Ruth was. I am so sorry for your loss Alan, and all of her family. Hugs and prayers for you all. <3

Kathy Lea - January 08, 2017 at 07:40 PM

SR

“ *Sheila Richardson lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Sheila Richardson - January 08, 2017 at 07:39 PM

LL

“ *Lynda Little lit a candle in memory of Mattie
Ruth Jackson*



lynda little - January 08, 2017 at 07:39 PM

PS

“ *Was at a Alan Jackson concert with my husband once and
happened to be Sunday. Alan said when traveling on Sunday's
always likes mtomsing a Christian song for his mom.imthought what
a gentlemen, and his mom was a special,lady...prayers with all. 🌹*

patricia salgot - January 08, 2017 at 07:39 PM



“ *Praying for the Jackson family.
Knowing that you know your loved one is in
Heaven waiting for you gives you strength to
carry on and turns your mourning into joy.*



Mike Sprayberry - January 08, 2017 at 07:36 PM

JE

“ Our prayers are with you. We know it is a sad time for you, but a joyful time for Ruth. She was a warm, loving and gracious " Southern Lady". She shared information with me as I worked on the Musick family.. I am so glad I got to know her. With prayers, Jerry and Carolyn Evans.



Jerry and Carolyn Evans - January 08, 2017 at 07:34 PM

Tara
Murphy

“ Praying for the family in this sad time.

Tara Murphy - January 08, 2017 at 07:32 PM

Tara
Murphy

“ Tara Murphy lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Tara Murphy - January 08, 2017 at 07:32 PM

JS

“ Jacinda Swets lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Jacinda Swets - January 08, 2017 at 07:28 PM

SM

“ My favorite memory of Mrs. Jackson is watching her eyes sparkle with happiness when Alan sang *Stroll Over Heaven With You* at the Opry - my sincere sympathy to the entire family in the loss of a great lady - hold on to the many memories



Susan Cleghorn McMinniman - January 08, 2017 at 07:28 PM

LB

“ Praying for the family



Leslie Baxter - January 08, 2017 at 07:26 PM

MR

“ Millie Riggan lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Millie Riggan - January 08, 2017 at 07:26 PM

DF

“ Donna Ferrell lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Donna Ferrell - January 08, 2017 at 07:24 PM

KT

“ *Kim Frazier Thomas lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Kim Frazier Thomas - January 08, 2017 at 07:22 PM

MR

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Millie Riggan - January 08, 2017 at 07:21 PM

CS

“ *I know you are "waltzing across heaven" with
your beloved Daddy Gene. Thank you for
giving us Alan Jackson, and raising him to be
such a fine gentleman. May God bless your
family with peace and understanding. You will
be missed by so many.*



Carol A. Smith - January 08, 2017 at 07:16 PM

BH

“ *Brenda Huff lit a candle in memory of Mattie
Ruth Jackson*



Brenda Huff - January 08, 2017 at 07:10 PM

BH

We are so very sorry to hear about Mama Ruth, she will be greatly missed, a very special lady, will be praying for Alan and all the family at this very sad time.

Brenda Huff - January 08, 2017 at 07:13 PM

AB

“ *Ann Bastuba lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Ann Bastuba - January 08, 2017 at 07:03 PM

AB

God Bless and comfort your family during this sad but celebratory time of Ms. Ruth's Life here.

Ann Bastuba - January 08, 2017 at 07:06 PM

PB

“ *All of the Jackson family are in my thoughts and prayers at this time of tremendous loss!*
Piper Beaven



Piper Beaven - January 08, 2017 at 07:01 PM

 Marilyn Austin

“ *Sorry to hear of the loss the Jackson family has.....prayers for your family. Marilyn Austin of Oakland, TN.*



Marilyn Austin - January 08, 2017 at 06:59 PM



“ *Connie Peña sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Connie Peña - January 08, 2017 at 06:56 PM



“ *Cathy Vaughn Williams lit a candle in memory
of Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Cathy Vaughn Williams - January 08, 2017 at 06:47 PM



“ *Sorry for your family's loss*



Deborah Turner - January 08, 2017 at 06:46 PM



“ *Connie Spencer lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Connie spencer - January 08, 2017 at 06:45 PM

BM

“ So sorry for your loss. I first met "Mama Ruth" at Savannah Court at the bedside of her sister-in-law, Daddy Gene's sister. She was such a sweet lady. Over the years as a member of Cathy and Carol's Sunday School class at Central Baptist I always was impressed by the Sunday lunches the family continued for her when she was not able! We love you Carol and Cathy and our hearts are broken for you but we know that one day you will see your precious Mama and Daddy in God's home! Love, Brenda Mitchell

Brenda Mitchell - January 08, 2017 at 06:44 PM

HW

“ Harley Willis lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Harley Willis - January 08, 2017 at 06:39 PM

HD

“ I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. I worked with Cathy, Carol and Connie at Atkinson. I knew your mother from Elem Street. She was a sweet lady. Praying for your family.

Hazel Dominick - January 08, 2017 at 06:18 PM

KT

“ KThompson lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



KThompson - January 08, 2017 at 06:14 PM

BR

“ Brittany lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Brittany - January 08, 2017 at 06:10 PM

DE

“ I am so sorry to hear the loss of your Mother, even though I didn't know your Mother first hand I know she was a sweet person because she had you Alan and she helped you become the person you are, my prayers are with you and all the family may God bless you all at this time.



Diann Edwards - January 08, 2017 at 06:09 PM

SM

“ Sharon And Eddie Miller lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Sharon and Eddie Miller - January 08, 2017 at 06:06 PM

TH

“ Tammy Hyatt lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Tammy Hyatt - January 08, 2017 at 05:53 PM

Sara
Carroll
Scarvelli

“ Sara Carroll Scarvelli lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Sara Carroll Scarvelli - January 08, 2017 at 05:53 PM

GH

“ Ginger Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



Ginger Henderson - January 08, 2017 at 05:52 PM

GH

Sending lots of love & hugs to the family. You are in my thoughts & prayers. 🥺💔🙏🙏🙏

Ginger Henderson - January 08, 2017 at 05:54 PM

JO

“ Joy lit a candle in memory of Mattie Ruth Jackson



joy - January 08, 2017 at 05:49 PM

JO

My prayers & thoughts with the family. Joy Strickfaden

joy - January 08, 2017 at 05:50 PM

PB

My thoughts and prayers are with all of the family at this time of tremendous loss!

*Piper Beaven
San Antonio, Texas*

Piper Beaven - January 08, 2017 at 06:27 PM



“ *Karen Hubbard lit a candle in memory of
Mattie Ruth Jackson*



Karen Hubbard - January 08, 2017 at 05:43 PM

SD

“ *Mrs. Jackson worked in the cafeteria at Elm Street when I went there. I was a very awkward child and she quickly picked up on that. She would check on me everyday and made sure I ate lunch with a smile on my face. She was a friend to me when I didn't have many. I will always remember your mother's kind smile and I pray for you now.*

Sarah Johnson Dominick - January 08, 2017 at 05:37 PM