



## Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan

January 23, 1931 - February 28, 2025

God, in His infinite wisdom, quietly whispered to Ruth Joanna Frances Bondy Mallehan that her work here in this world was completed. It was as if He had tucked the edges of her blanket around her and spirited her away from a world that at the same time had been very difficult but also filled with great rewards during her 94 years. Ruth Joanna Frances Bondy Mallehan of Newnan passed away Friday, February 28, 2025, at Newnan Health and Rehab. Ruth's remarkably interesting life story began on January 23, 1931, in Bremen, Germany. She was the only child of the marriage of Erich Bondy, a native German, and Margaret Eunice Grout Bondy. After her parents' marriage they went back to Germany, where her father had a successful employment. Ruth was born in Bremen, Germany. As the next few years unfolded, living in Germany was fraught with danger for the Bondy family. Mr. Bondy was of Jewish heritage and the political climate of the time was not in his family's best interest. Since Mrs. Bondy was a native American, she could leave Nazi Germany with Ruth and go back to live in Michigan. As difficult as it was for her father to do this, it was the only sensible solution. He was of Jewish heritage and was only allowed to leave Germany some years later. Ruth grew up in Hammond, Indiana, where she graduated from Hammond High School and then attended the University of Indiana. At Hammond High she met the love of her life, Art Mallehan. They were married in 1951 and spent the next 68 years together. While raising her children, she attended Clayton State College where she received an associate degree in accounting. Ruth and Art

moved to Newnan in 1979 where they became members at Newnan Presbyterian Church. Over her lifetime she volunteered with many organizations including 40 years with Girl Scouts (awarded the "Thanks Badge"), Women of the Presbyterian Church (awarded "Presbyterian Women's Life Award"), Council on Aging, The Newnan Pilot Club, Meals on Wheels, and PEO which is a professional women's organization whose mission is to enhance educational opportunities for women.

In addition to her parents, Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur Z. Mallehan and son, Arthur Kevin Mallehan. Her legacy of love and service will forever be a part of the fabric of her family, manifested in the lives of her children including her daughters Karen (Michael) Baker of Blairsville, GA, Kimberly (Peter) Poolos of Newnan, GA, and Kelly (David) Burnham of Newnan, GA. She was a devoted grandmother to Brandon Jones (Ashley), Courtney (Jeremy) Landman, Heather (Duane) Davis, Aaron (Jenny) Mallehan, Adam Mallehan, Eric (Suzanne) Baker, David (Maureen) Burnham IV, Alyssa (Dalton) Bunn; fifteen great grandchildren and one great, great grandchild. Her family will hold Ruth's memory close within their hearts for as long as they live; and as they retell the stories of her life, they will remember their wonderful heritage.

The memorial service to honor the exemplary life and virtuous deeds of this faithful servant will be held at 11 o'clock on Friday, March 7, 2025, at Newnan Presbyterian Church, 38 Greenville St., Newnan, led by Reverend David Allen Jones II. In lieu of flowers, Ruth's family suggests that her life be honored by memorial contributions to Newnan Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 1107, Newnan, GA 30264. Condolences can be expressed online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com)

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
care@mckoon.com  
<http://www.mckoon.com>

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Newnan Presbyterian Church  
38 Greenville St/P.O. Box 1107  
Newnan, GA 30264

# Tribute Wall



“ Dave and Michelle Mallehan purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan.



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**Dave and Michelle Mallehan** - March 06, 2025 at 03:58 PM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan.



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March 06, 2025 at 12:34 PM



“ Ruth was a dear friend of ours and will be greatly missed. We knew Ruth and her predeceased husband, Art, since they joined our church, Newnan Presbyterian, in 1979.

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**Phil and Mary Anna Vincent** - March 06, 2025 at 11:10 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan.



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March 04, 2025 at 03:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan.

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“ Hannah Fellowship Sunday School Class purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan.



Hannah Fellowship Sunday School Class - March 04, 2025 at 09:24 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Johanna Frances Mallehan.



March 04, 2025 at 09:05 AM