Ruth Viola Bush

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Ruth Viola Sickenger Bush, 101, of Spotsylvania County passed away Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at Wilburn Gardens. She was born November 10, 1909 in Cincinnati, Ohio to William and Katherine Sickenger.

She graduated from Withrow High School in Cincinnati and was a liberated woman before it was fashionable. She went to night school and became a secretary and worked all her life. She was fired from the Telephone Company when they discovered that she had married. Only single women were allowed to work there.

Ruth and James Jeffries Bush were married November 11, 1933. They had 3 children, James J., Jr., of Colorado Springs, CO, Donald J. Sr., of Garrett Park, MD, and Juanita B. Allan, of Spotsylvania, VA.

James, Sr., died in 1998, just prior to their 65th wedding anniversary. He met Ruth when they were 10 years old and told his friend he was going to marry her one day.

Ruth had six grandchildren, Brenda Bush of Saratoga, WY, James, III, of Puyallup, WA, Joseph W. of Missoula, WY, Donald J, Jr., of Garrett Park, and David M. and Steven D., both of Rockville, MD. Also surviving are five great grandchildren and five and one half great-great grandchildren. Ruth saw the sonogram of her 6th great-great grandchild, a baby girl. She was overjoyed with the news.

Ruth worked in the D.C. Court System at the time of her retirement in 1974. She and Jim traveled to Bermuda and Europe twice. They had a travel trailer and went on many trips in that and in later years, they left the trailer in Florida and would drive down for the winters. She had a glorious time in Korea when she visited her son there, and on a visit to Colorado, her son surprised her with a hot air balloon ride. Ruth said if there is reincarnation, she wants to come back as a bird!

Ruth was a member of Chancellor Baptist Church and the Joy Sunday School Class, but after her move to Fredericksburg, she attended Fredericksburg Baptist Church and joined The Encouragers Sunday School Class where she forged new friendships. She was a long-time member of The Order of Eastern Star, Fredericksburg Chapter #29 and the Fredericksburg Senior Citizens and went on many trips with them.

Ruth's family will receive friends Friday, December 17, 2010 from 7:00-9:00 pm with an Order of Eastern Star service at 7:30 pm at Found and Sons Funeral Chapels-Cremation Service, 10719 Courthouse Road, Fredericksburg. A funeral service will be held Saturday, December 18, 2010 at 10:00 am at the funeral chapel with the Rev. Eric Goforth officiating. Interment will follow in Zoan Baptist Church Cemetery.

Ruth's family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Mary Washington Home Health and Hospice, 5012 Southpoint Parkway, Fredericksburg, VA 22407.

Online condolences may be expressed to Ruth's family at foundandsons.com.

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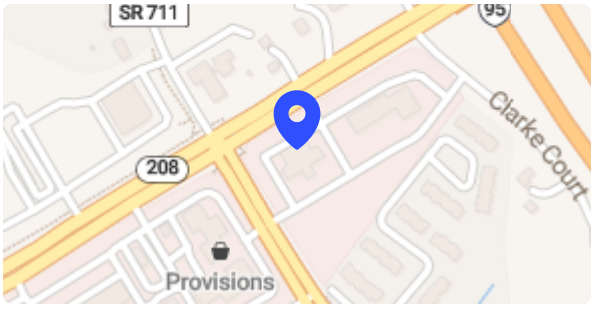
Visitation

Friday, December 17, 2010

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET

Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Fredericksburg
10719 Courthouse Road, Fredericksburg VA 22407



Service

Saturday, December 18, 2010

10:00 AM ET

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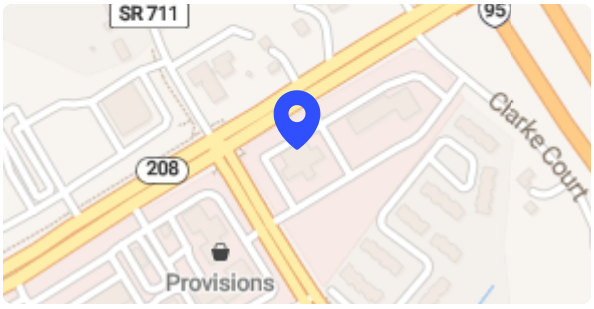
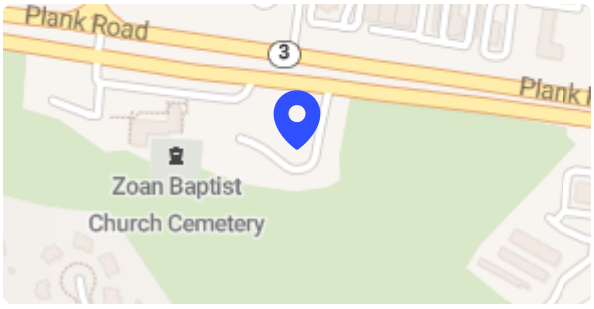


Cemetery Details

Zoan Baptist Church Cemetery
5888 Plank Road, Fredericksburg VA 22407



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PL

Paula Lawson sent a virtual gift in honor of Ruth.

Juanita and familyMy prayers and thoughts are with you. I will truly miss her as well. Thank you for the time I had with her it was a pleasure and cherished memorey ill have forever. She was a sweet heart who sure touched my heart. Bless you.... Paula

December 18 at 5:45 AM

KM

Kitty Mclamb posted:

My heart is sad to know that Ruth has passed on. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. I worked with Ruth in 1958 at the Courthouse and we had been friends since then. We enjoyed Jim and Ruth on their visits to Florida. I visited her in Virginia and when she came to Florida. She was a happy soul and a wonderful friend. She will be missed. I will remember her fondly.Kitty Mclamb

December 16 at 3:46 PM

NR

Nancy Ryder posted:

Juanita: Just wanted you to know that my thought & prayers are for you at this time. Your Momdid so many great things in her life and I know you will miss her so much. My sincerce sympathy. Nancy Ryder

December 16 at 3:25 PM

GW

Gerri Westwood posted:

Juanita and Family- Was so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Will always have fond memories of her from Eastern Stars and our visit at Four Winds Campground. Your mom lived a good life and will be missed by many. Shine on Ruth, shine on!!

December 16 at 8:42 AM

JK

Joyce Krasny lit a candle in honor of Ruth.

December 15 at 12:10 PM

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JK

Joyce Krasny posted:

I just remember Ruth as such a special loving little lady full of fun and spunk. It's been years since I've seen Ruth, but I have such fond memories of her and her beautiful daughter, Juanita. I can see her dancing on the streets of Gold in Heaven with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. You will be missed, sweet lady, but we will see you again. Joyce Krasny

December 15 at 11:51 AM

Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ruth by contributing to a collection of shared memories.

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