



## Ruth Roach

November 26, 1943 - May 18, 2026

Mrs. Dianna "Ruth" Davis Roach, 82, passed away on May 18, 2026. A Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at 11AM in Hopewell Church UMC with Rev. David Perry officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family will receive friends in the Hopewell Church Fellowship Hall on Saturday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Mrs. Roach was born on November 26, 1943, in Americus to the late Pleasant Wiseman Davis and the late Naomi Ruth Roberts Davis. She grew up in Dawson, GA and attended Terrell County High School, where she played basketball and was an All-Star. After high school she studied as a Radiology Tech in Macon and then moved to Milledgeville to work at Baldwin County Hospital. After a few years she took a job at McGaw Laboratories in Quality Control and worked there until McGaw closed. Afterwards she went to Engelhard and worked in their laboratory in Gordon until retirement.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her stepson, Jerry Ray Roach; and sister, Mary Agnes Davis. Survivors include her husband, Ollie Roach; daughter, Anna Marie Pechacek and husband, Brian; stepdaughters, Patricia Lynn Roach and Dorothea Faye Stafford; stepson, Roy Roach; 10 grandchildren, and a number of great grandchildren.

Mrs. Roach began attending Hopewell Church UMC in 1980 and has served

several committees for the Church.

For those who wish, memorial contributions may be made to Hopewell Methodist Church Cemetery Fund in her honor.

# Cemetery Details

## Hopewell Methodist Church Cemetery

188 Hopewell Church Rd NW  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hopewell Methodist Church  
188 Hopewell Church Road  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

## Funeral Service

MAY 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Roach



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**Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory** - May 23 at 04:44 PM



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**Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory** - May 23 at 08:20 AM



“ My condolences to the family. We always loved seeing her at Herb's Fish Place.

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**Jason Foskey** - May 30 at 09:58 PM

KS

“ I am sorry that the news of Ruth's passing didn't reach me until Monday and Diane and I therefore didn't have opportunity to attend her service. I'm glad to see the video was available online here. I was able to watch the entire service from home, and I'm more impressed that ever with Ruth's achievements. The last few times I saw Ruth, I was saddened to see her declining in physical form, but she was never diminished in spirit. When Diane and I were first married and bought our first house just down the street, the Roach family quickly became our best neighborhood friends, and soon the friends of our children Emory and Nicole, for whom Anna often baby-sat. Ruth and Ollie never failed to ask after our children long after they had grown, moved out of state, and formed new families of their own. We are deeply sad that Ruth is gone from us now, but she is beyond the world of earthly worries and we are happy that this gracious, kind-spirited, and good-humored lady was part of our lives.

Ken Saladin - May 25 at 01:54 PM



“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - May 23 at 08:13 AM

LY

“ *Ollie, I'm sorry to hear of Ruth's passing.  
Thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Lynn & Family*



Lynn - May 22 at 03:49 PM

KW

“ *Karen Weaver lit a candle in memory of Ruth  
Roach*



Karen Weaver - May 22 at 08:47 AM

JH

“ *Praying for her Family.*

John Hogue - May 22 at 08:41 AM

ED

*So sorry to hear about Mrs Ruth, she was a kind and sweet lady, 🙏🙏*

Edward Dixon - May 22 at 02:43 PM

MH

“ *Mary Helen Huitt lit a candle in memory of  
Ruth Roach*



Mary Helen Huitt - May 21 at 09:49 PM

GM

“ Sorry to hear of Ruth's passing. Enjoyed seeing her and Ollie when we met up shopping .

Gale Carr Master - May 21 at 07:19 PM

TK

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Mrs Ruth I first meet her at McGaw when I started working there little did I know I would get to know her &Mr Ollie much better over the years through Roy as time went on my family and hers became friends I grew to love Mr Ollie and his great sense of humor I will miss seeing them out and about and hearing her say you know he ain't got good sense she was a beautiful woman inside and out prayers for all of the family ❤️

Teresa Knowles - May 21 at 02:18 PM

JH

“ Rest in peace Ruth.. You will be remembered and missed by many .  
My condolences to all the family.



JoAnn Hartley - May 21 at 10:55 AM

SI

“ So sorry to learn of Ruth's passing. I recall sitting in the breakroom at McGaw Labs, listening to her tell stories about herself and husband, Ollie. She had a marvelous sense of humor. RIP Ruth.

Steve Ivey - May 21 at 06:02 AM

GP

“ Gary and Bonnie Pennington lit a candle in memory of Ruth Roach



Gary and Bonnie Pennington - May 20 at 11:44 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



Luther Minor - May 20 at 06:12 PM

SP

“ So very sorry to hear this. Always liked Ruth!

Sandra Jones Prosser - May 20 at 06:12 PM

JN

“ Joanne Nunn lit a candle in memory of Ruth Roach



Joanne Nunn - May 20 at 05:14 PM

RW

“ Mr. Ollie, I'm so sorry for you and your family. Keith and I will be praying for all of you.

Renee Wilson - May 20 at 04:45 PM

CI

“ *Camilla Ivey lit a candle in memory of Ruth Roach*



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**Camilla Ivey** - May 20 at 03:02 PM

FL

“ *So sorry to hear of the loss of Ms.Ruth. Mr.Ollie and the family is in my thoughts and prayers.*



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**Fay Leverett** - May 20 at 01:08 PM



“ *Oh how I loved sweet Mrs. Ruth. She was always dressed to the nines and she was the sweetest little lady. She always had something funny to say about Mr. Ollie. She will be missed dearly. Praying for Mr. Ollie and the family.*

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**Shauna Johnson** - May 20 at 12:05 PM

EM

“ *Ollie and family, So sorry for your loss. May your fond memories help carry you forward in the days to come.*



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**Ellen Mayers** - May 20 at 09:46 AM

PP

*Ollie, I am so sorry about Ruth. I tried to find your telephone, but couldn't find it. I even called the Shop to see if he had a phone number in there.sorry I was not able to attend the service. I only go to the doctor to check me out. I can't walk without someone going to help with me. Maybe I can talk to you after everything has gotten everything straightened. Wish I had gotten been able to to go to the service. I know you will miss Ruth.Take it as good as you can.*

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**Patricia Purvis** - June 07 at 07:47 PM