



## Carolyn Josephine Robertson Elsea

October 6, 1934 - November 2, 2017

Carolyn Josephine Robertson Elsea, 83, of Ringgold, Georgia passed away Thursday, November 2, 2017. A lifelong resident of the Ringgold area, Carolyn has lived with her daughter in Salisbury, North Carolina for the past 5 years. Carolyn was a former Teacher at Boynton Elementary School where she taught for 5 ½ years and then taught for Hamilton County Schools for 28 years. She was a member of Boynton United Methodist Church and while in Salisbury, N.C., she attended Wyatt's Grove Baptist Church. She served for 60 years in the music ministry and was very active in the Trinity Living Center in Salisbury. Carolyn is preceded in death by her husband, William P. Elsea; parents Russell Monteith and Mary Josephine Wester Robertson; and brother, Walter Robertson. She is survived by three children, William Allen (Suzanne) Elsea of Asheboro, N.C., Carole (Ward) Croshaw of Salisbury, N.C., and Lisa (Darryl) Shankles of Flowery Branch, GA.; two sisters, Rebecca "Becky" (Donald) Cardwell of Soddy Daisy, TN., and Mary (Michael) Hartman of Chickamauga, GA.; three brothers, Tommy (Brenda) Robertson of Ringgold, GA., Monty Robertson of Chickamauga, GA., and Robbie Robertson of Chickamauga, GA.; five grandchildren, Matthew (Lisa) Croshaw, Michael (Mandy) Croshaw, Lauren (James) Barker, Leah (Jeremy) Vang and Chelsea Shankles; eight great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends Saturday from 6-8 P.M. and Sunday from 9 A.M. until 3 P.M. at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held 4:00 P.M. Sunday November 12, 2017 at Boynton United Methodist Church with Rev.

David Jones and Matthew Croshaw officiating. Interment will be held 9:30 A.M. Monday at the Chattanooga National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Boynton United Methodist Church, Ringgold, GA. or to the Trinity Living Center in Salisbury, N.C. Arrangements are by Wilson Funeral Home Wallis-Stewart Chapel Ringgold, Georgia.

# Cemetery Details

## Chattanooga National Cemetery

Holtzclaw Ave.  
Chattanooga, TN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - Ringgold Chapel  
443 Boynton Drive  
Ringgold, GA 30736  
(706) 935-2331  
spencer@wilsonfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Visitation

NOV 12. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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NOV 12. 4:00 PM (ET)

Boynton United Methodist Church  
4246 Boynton Dr  
Ringgold, GA 30736

## Graveside Service

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NOV 13. 9:30 AM (ET)

Chattanooga National Cemetery  
Holtzclaw Ave.  
Chattanooga, TN

# Tribute Wall

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“ I still have fond memories of Mrs Elsea's glee club at Boynton Elementary School. She was a wonderful educator, and a fine person. I still remember many of the lyrics of the songs she taught us to sing in four part harmony.

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**Fred Harris** - January 11, 2025 at 04:45 PM

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“ Carolyn,  
Beautiful, Full of life with the kindest Christian Soul. I can not picture you without the brightest most inviting smile. A smile that brightened a room, made you feel welcome and always conveyed love. You shared your creativity, with patience and encouragement. You let those of us feel as though we could accomplish anything, as long as we embraced passionate, pursuit of positive goals.  
Thank you for sharing these characteristics with your children, especially your daughter.  
You live in every single cell of your children and grand children. Each of your children are gifted, talented, beautiful, God loving, brilliant examples of you and your husband. Your children continue the legacy of teaching and touching lives through giving the gift of education. You all have given so many the firm foundation to acquire success, while knowing we serve a mighty God.  
Thank you and your family, you truly made this world a better place and we will miss you.  
Donna Ay Sledge

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**Donna Kay Sledge** - November 10, 2017 at 11:30 AM