



Judy Ann Colburn

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Judy Ann Colburn, 84, of Ringgold, Georgia, peacefully went to rest in the arms of Jesus on Sunday morning, December 21, 2025. Judy is now at peace in the arms of her Savior. In His light, we find comfort.

Judy graduated from Kirkman High School and later from Chattanooga State Community College. She had a lifelong hunger for learning and gave 110% to everything she did.

Born January 24, 1941, Judy lived a Christian life of love and devotion. Judy had a pure heart and was a faithful servant of the Lord. Her kind spirit left everyone a little sweeter, whether you knew her for a moment or a lifetime. Her most important role was being a faithful servant to God, and she enjoyed her many roles of being an adoring wife, mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, and friend.

Judy was a proud member of Professional Secretaries International (P.S.I.) and had a 25-year career working for several government agencies, including Social Security, Tennessee Department of Health (WIC), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, and retired from the Department of

Justice/Bankruptcy. Once retired, Judy enjoyed flower and vegetable gardening, painting, studying the Bible, winning rummy card games with her husband, Charles, and watching Hallmark movies. She enjoyed her coffee and chocolate.

Judy was preceded in death by her beloved husband for 64 years, Charles; her parents, Dewey and Bertha James; her sister, Helen (Jimmy) Armstrong; and her brother, Jimmy Ray James.

Judy will continue to be cherished and loved in memory by her son, Steve Colburn; daughter, Debbie (Kevin) Phelps; her brothers, Bill (Joan) James and David James; her sisters, Sue (Vernal) Alford and Deloris (Larry) Gazaway; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and neighbors.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, December 27, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at Wilson Funeral Homes, Wallis-Stewart Chapel in Ringgold, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations in Judy's memory be made to the Alzheimer's Disease Research Center of your state or preference.

An Online guest book can be found at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Homes, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, is handling the funeral arrangements.

“As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you.” Isaiah 66:13 (KJV)

“Your life was a blessing. Your memory a treasure. You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.”

Cemetery Details

Anderson Memorial Gardens

Christian Drive
Ringgold, GA 30736

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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

Graveside Service

DEC 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Memorial Gardens
Christian Drive
Ringgold, GA 30736

Tribute Wall

MA

“ Judy and I used to sing together at Oakwood Church of God of Prophecy. Her favorite was “I’m Free”. Now she really is! She was a huge help to Pastor Hawkins in the church office. I miss her.

Marion Anderson - December 24, 2025 at 12:10 AM

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She loved singing in the choir and attending revivals.

Debbie Phelps - December 24, 2025 at 07:46 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Judy Ann Colburn.



December 23, 2025 at 11:03 AM

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“ DONALD LAWSON planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Ann Colburn.

DONALD LAWSON - December 23, 2025 at 11:03 AM

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“ Mom, you were always there to help me, laugh with me, be proud of me and share my happy moments. Even more, you were there when things went wrong and help me figure things out and help me overcome disappointments. Most importantly, you helped me to know God, to worship him and rely on him. You loved me as as purely and selflessly as God does. I am forever grateful for you, my precious and beautiful Mama. You are the best thing life has given to me. I love you, my sweet angel.

Debbie Phelps - December 22, 2025 at 10:42 PM