



Kathleen Susie York Brown

November 6, 1924 - January 30, 2026

Kathleen Susie Brown, age 101, of Chickamauga Ga passed away peacefully, leaving behind a legacy of faith, family, and love. She was a devoted Christian and member of Oakwood Baptist Church whose life reflected quiet strength, kindness, and service to others. Known lovingly by many as “Nana,” she will be especially remembered for her famous sourdough bread, affectionately called Nana bread, which she shared generously with family, friends, and neighbors.

She found great joy in spending time with her family and took pride in simple pleasures such as gardening and sewing. Her hands were rarely still, and her home was always filled with warmth and faith.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Edward Clifton Brown; her daughter, Sandra Johnson; her parents, Abner and Ola Koger York; and eight siblings.

She is survived by her brother, Rev. Bill York; her daughters, Barbara Dawkins and Debbie Cruise; her grandchildren, Kristi (Dan) Durkin, Alan (Lisa) Gayton, Ashleigh (Ben) Pipes, Jeremy (Amber) Cruise, and Jason Cruise; and her great-grandchildren, Ansley Gayton, Justin Cruise, Emily Gayton, Kaylee Cruise, Brody Cruise, Katherine Pipes, Sydney Cruise, Benjamin Pipes, Jacob Cruise, and Elory Durkin.

The family extends heartfelt gratitude to Tapestry Hospice, with special thanks to Angel and Cassie, for their compassionate care and support during her final days.

Her faith, love, and enduring example will live on in all who were blessed to know her.

The funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, February 3, 2026 in the funeral home chapel, with Rev. Billy York officiating. Interment will follow in the Chickamauga City Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Monday and prior to the service on Tuesday. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Home-J. Avery Bryan Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Chickamauga City Cemetery

Lee Ave.
Chickamauga, GA 30707

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - Chickamauga Chapel
215 Lee Ave.
P.O. Box 370
Chickamauga, GA 30707
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<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

MH

“ Mark & Christy Huff lit a candle in memory of Kathleen Susie York Brown



Mark & Christy Huff - February 02 at 02:39 PM

TK

What a special lady, she will truly be missed, especially her heirloom tomatoes ☐ may she rest in God's eternal peace 🙏 Cynthia & Vernon Kinley

The Kinleys - February 02 at 05:03 PM

JH

“ What a precious person. She was blessed with many wonderful years and was a blessing to everyone who knew her. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and many friends she leaves behind. James Helton, Rossville, Ga.



James Helton - February 02 at 11:57 AM

SA

“ Steven & Debbie Atcheson sent a virtual gift in memory of Kathleen Susie York Brown



Steven & Debbie Atcheson - February 01 at 06:09 PM

KB

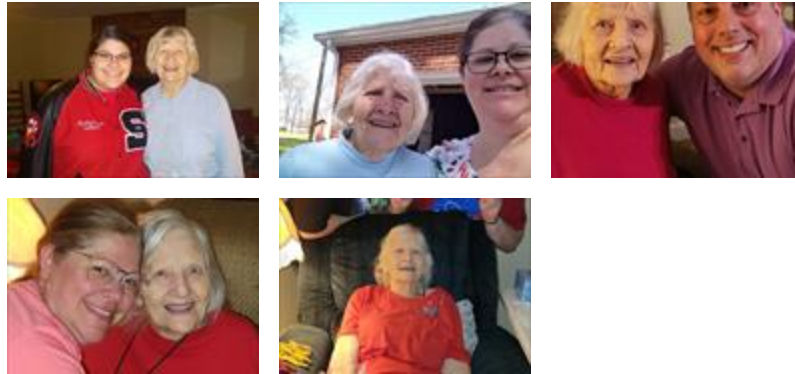
“ *Kathy Bates sent a virtual gift in memory of Kathleen Susie York Brown*



Kathy Bates - February 01 at 09:02 AM



“ *23 files added to the album Nana Photos from Emily*



Ansley Gayton - January 31 at 10:04 PM

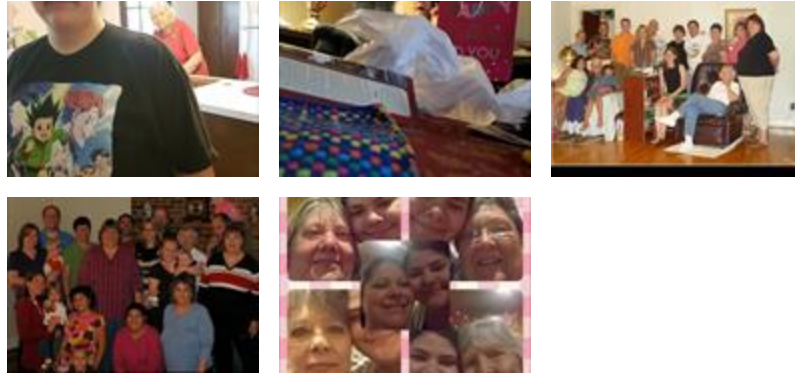
LG

Wonderful memories for you all to cherish. Love and sympathy to you all.

Lynn Greene - February 05 at 01:13 PM



“ 32 files added to the album Nana Photos from Ansley



Ansley Gayton - January 31 at 09:49 PM

BF

“ Billy York Family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Kathleen Susie York Brown.



Billy York Family - January 31 at 03:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kathleen Susie York Brown.



January 31 at 02:04 PM

CA

“ Cruise family Steve, Judy ,Mark,Steve an planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen Susie York Brown.

Cruise family Steve, Judy ,Mark,Steve an - January 31 at 02:04 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kathleen Susie York Brown.



January 31 at 11:23 AM