

## Ms. Geneva Ross

January 7, 1941 - March 14, 2023

Geneva was born on the seventh day of January in year nineteen forty-one. Her birth took place in Simpson County, Magee, Mississippi. She was the third born of five children from Mims Rankins and Martha Kemp. She attended grade school in Magee, Mississippi, and then attended high school in Chicago, Illinois.

She accepted Christ as her lord and savior at an early age and was a faithful member of Broadview Baptist Church in Broadview, Illinois, and later, Beech Springs Baptist Church in Henderson, Tennessee.

She had a successful career as a lab technician, retiring from Reliable Electric in 1996, at age 55. After her retirement, she moved to Tupelo, Mississippi, and later to Mendenhall, Mississippi, in 2003 to live closer to her father and family. In 2011, a few years after her father passed, she moved to Henderson, TN, to live closer to her children.

She was fun-loving and loved interacting with people. In her spare time, she enjoyed dancing, singing, bowling, volleyball, softball, teaching scripture, agriculture, and spending time with her loved ones most of all.

Geneva was called home on the fourteenth day of March in year two-thousand twenty-three.

She was preceded in passing by both of her parents and three brothers: Odell Rankins, Carwell Rankins, and Mims Rankins Jr.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her sisters: Verdian Kitchen, Nancy "N.E." Rankin, Debbie Warren, Subrena Rankin, Jacqueline Rankin, Josephine Rankin Carter, & Janet Grishby; her brothers: Washington John, Martin "Booney" Rankin; her six children: Joel "Punkin" Williams, Pinkey Rankins, Dawnielle Rankins, Todd Davis and wife Patty Davis, Lawnya Davis, Dionne and wife Andrea Davis; her sixteen grandchildren; Joel, Jason, Jamien, Shone, Martell, Kanise, Reginald "Pooh", Mitoi, Prentice, Kenyatta, Shawnawaski, Marcus, Britney, Kiah, Kaila, and Kory; her great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Beech Springs Church Cemetery

Jacks Creek, TN

# Previous Events

## Floral Delivery

MAR 24. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Stephenson-Shaw Funeral Home, Inc.  
807 N. Hays Avenue  
Jackson, TN 38301  
(731) 427-7411  
[info@stephenson-shaw.com](mailto:info@stephenson-shaw.com)  
<https://www.stephenson-shaw.com>

## Visitation

MAR 24. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

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MAR **25**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Beech Springs Baptist Church  
675 St. Route 22A  
Jacks Creek, TN 38347

## Service

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MAR **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

TN

“ My Aunt G was always there for us, I believe we spent more time at her house than our own home. We would begged to spend the night she never told us no my fondest memories was her teaching us to dance. I love you Aunt G, I will never ever ever forget you love you always til we meet again RIH 🙏🙏🙏💋

Tracy Hall ( Niece) - March 25, 2023 at 02:40 PM

VJ

“ Velma Johnson lit a candle in memory of Geneva Ross



Velma Johnson - March 25, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Ms. Geneva Ross.



March 24, 2023 at 06:56 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Geneva Ross.



March 22, 2023 at 07:02 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Geneva Ross.



March 22, 2023 at 02:09 PM



“ I was a little girl about 12 years old when I meet pinky Danielle, Todd, Lanye, and Dion they were my neighbors and became my second family momma G because my momma to when ever I had trouble at home I could always go to momma G house she treated me just like I was her own I can't say anything more I wish I could be standing with the family my family RIP Momma G until we meet on the other side I love you 🥰 your other daughter Annette pullom

Annette Pullom James - March 20, 2023 at 05:56 PM



“ Ruth Brown lit a candle in memory of Geneva Ross



Ruth M Brown - March 20, 2023 at 02:16 AM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Geneva Ross.



March 19, 2023 at 10:59 PM

MO

“ *Melanie Odom lit a candle in memory of Geneva Ross*

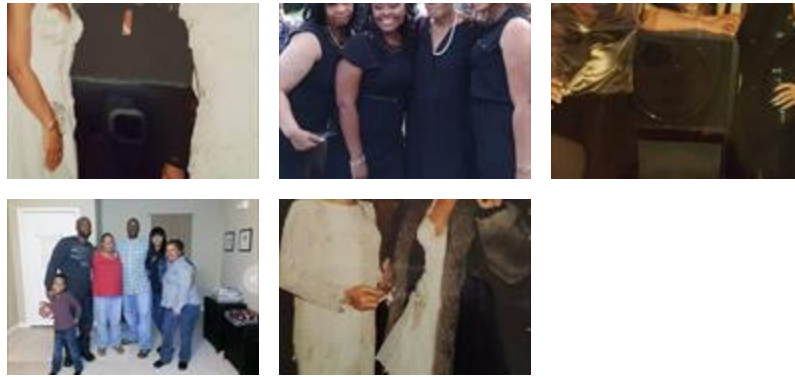


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**Melanie Odom** - March 18, 2023 at 09:33 PM

DR

“ *I'll Always Love my Momma*



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**Dawnielle Rankins** - March 17, 2023 at 11:56 PM

JH

“ *Jacqueline Holmes lit a candle in memory of Geneva Ross*



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**Jacqueline Holmes** - March 16, 2023 at 04:13 PM

VT

“ *Valorie Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Geneva Ross*



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**Valorie Thomas** - March 16, 2023 at 02:13 PM

CR

“ *Chris Ross sent a virtual gift in memory of Geneva Ross*



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**Chris Ross** - March 16, 2023 at 02:12 PM

ST

“ *My auntie always had time for us; even though we were repeatedly dropped off "at our request" unannounced. My mom would tell our dad to take us out somewhere and when we all got in the car , he'd ask where we wanted to go. Our answer 99% of the time was "over Geneva house". She never seemed overwhelmed as she had 5 children of her own. Once we were there we didn't want to leave and always asked if we could spend the night; she always said yes. And to add to that she made the best sweet potato pies on earth. And of course we requested them and she never said no. I will always cherish the warm kind feelings I felt in her presence.*

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**Sharon Travis** - March 16, 2023 at 01:17 PM

JR

“ So many memories from Chicago to Mississippi and a lot of places in between. I pray for the family and loved ones of “Geneva Rankins ROSS” . MAY GOD find ways to GRANT each of you Strength, Peace, Comfort and Love” as we gather in the days to come. You have gained your wings my sister, GENEVA and you are now up in HEAVEN surrounded by the everlasting Light, LOVE, Peace, Joy, and the Comfort of GOD. No more suffering 💕🙏 You all have my deepest sympathy and continue prayers during this difficult time 🙏  
🙏 Much Love from us. JacqueRankin (Jackro) and family ❤️



Jacqueline Rankin - March 16, 2023 at 10:27 AM

TN

To all of our favorite aunt Geneva Ross you were always welcoming whenever we came over like a second mom a second home I think we stayed at your house more than we did at our own it's funny so many memories to cherish so much love I will never forget you Aunt Geneva you have finally earned your wings and truly deserving of them God bless you until we meet again love your niece Tracy call

Tracy Hall ( Niece) - March 24, 2023 at 11:59 AM

RH

“ Geneva great friend, so sorry to hear of her passing my prayers and sympathy to the family with love Ruby Hays Mendenhall, Mississippi

Ruby Hays - March 16, 2023 at 12:50 AM

AB

“ My Auntie G, also had a comeback, known to all for her dancing abilities. I can remember her teaching us how to dance like Tina Turner at a very young age. Throughout her life as far back as I can remember Auntie, she always made you laugh. Adrienne

Adrienne Boose - March 15, 2023 at 12:57 PM