



Mrs. Ruby Sue Crockett

April 21, 1940 - July 3, 2016

Ruby Crockett was born April 21, 1940 in Henderson County, Tennessee to Lonnie and Mary Halton.

She graduated from Montgomery High School in Lexington, Tennessee and earned her Bachelor's Degree at Tennessee State University In Nashville, Tennessee. She later earned her Masters of Library Science degree from Vanderbilt University's George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee in 1969. She joined the Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. sorority to express her service to the community. While pursuing her degree at Tennessee State, she met and later married her husband Rev. Martin Crockett, Sr., in 1965.

After graduation, Ruby served as elementary school librarian and teacher in West Tennessee retiring from Sunny Hill Elementary School in Brownsville, Tennessee. She was a strong advocate for literacy and continuing education, motivating her students to achieve their at the highest levels.

Ruby was an exceptionally intelligent, hard-working, dependable wife, mother, daughter, friend, and mentor to many. She was well known for her very strong, well thought-out opinions and service to others. While in college, she was a civil rights activist and participated in civil rights protests in Nashville led by Rev James Lawson.

She was a very active member of the United Methodist church in Lexington, Memphis, Paris, Selmer, Mason, Cedar Grove, Mansfield, Dover, Lawrenceburg, and others, finding a home at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church in Jackson, Tennessee. There, she served as young children's Sunday school teacher, Vacation Bible School teacher, and served in many official roles with the United Methodist Women including president of the Wesley chapter, head of the reading programs for both Wesley and the Jackson district, social action chairperson for the Jackson district, and Christian social involvement coordinator for the Memphis Conference. She was also active with the United Methodist clergy wives.

In addition to her service to the church, she also loved to read and had a passion for story-telling, participating in the local story-telling league telling stories to children and friends. Family was also important for Ruby. She enjoyed frequent calls and visits.

She is preceded in death by her daughter Camille (Shayla) Crockett in 1975, husband Rev Martin Crockett, Sr. in January 2016, sisters Lonnie Mae Halton, Betty Jane Mitchell and brothers Willie (Joseph), Louis Cordell (LC), Herron, Richard, and Andrew (Tom) Halton.

She is survived by sons Martin Crockett, Jr. of Plano, Texas, Charles (Steven) Crockett of Creedmoor, North Carolina, grandson Michael Crockett of Jackson, Tennessee, granddaughter Angel Crockett of Washington, D.C., sister Edna Halton Jackson of Lexington, Tennessee, and several nieces and nephews.

Cemetery Details

Highland Memorial Gardens

3360 Highway45 North
Jackson, TN 38305

Previous Events

Service

JUL 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church
1530 East Chester Street
Jackson, TN 38301

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ruby Sue Crockett*

January 28, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ *Carroll & I send our love and prayers to the family. We always enjoyed both Ruby & Martin at Conference events, especially at our Retirees' Retreat at Lakeshore. The battle's over and the victory is won, thanks be to God!*

Rev. Russell N. Gallimore, clergy colleague, Jackson, TN



Rev. Russell N. Gallimore - July 06, 2016 at 05:08 PM



“ *We send our love and condolences to the family.. We know you are all sad but know your loved one is with Jesus.*

Rev. Marita Burkeen

Pastor

First United Methodist Church

Tiptonville Tennessee

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“ *Will never forget Ruby's friendship, her mentorship as a preacher's wife, her strong opinions, and her genuine spirit. She will be missed. God bless you, family.*

Jackie (Rev. Robert) Gardner and Family



Jackie Gardner - July 06, 2016 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Praying For Your Family!!!*



Martha Carter - July 05, 2016 at 05:25 PM