



Ruth Creedon Ryan

January 16, 1929 - December 12, 2020

Ruth C. Ryan went home to be with Our Lord on Saturday, December 12, 2020. She was born on January 16, 1929 to James B. and Sloay Creedon and was a lifelong Memphian.

Ruth was a graduate of St. Agnes School and Normal School of Business and subsequently became an employee of General Electric where she worked for several years and enjoyed being in downtown Memphis and working in the Sterick Building.

Upon her marriage to John J. Ryan, Jr., her life centered around her family, and she treasured her faith and her family above all. She was a parishioner at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for 55 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her dedicated husband, her daughter Bridget Ryan, daughter-in-law Teresa Ryan, her sister - Sister Mary Catherine O.P., and her brother James B. Creedon, Jr.

She leaves behind her daughters Mary Perry (Larry), Ruth Blackburn (Kenneth), Catherine Bailey (James), and Sheila Linderman (Clark), and her sons John J. Ryan III, James P. Ryan, and Michael Ryan (Leigh Ann), twelve grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, and a niece and nephew.

The family would like to send our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the staff, security team, clinical nurses, and administration at Kirby Pines Estates, where Ruth lived for the past several years.

The family requests that donations in her memory be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph's Indian School in Chamberlain, S.D., Sacred Heart Southern Missions in Walls, MS, or Mercy Home for Street for Boys and Girls in Chicago.

Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery

1663 Elvis Presley Blvd

Memphis, TN, 38106

Comments



“ Mrs. Ryan was such a wonderful human being. She and her family were a significant source of stability and joy for me throughout my entire childhood. I absolutely loved going over to the Ryan's house, because of the kindness and positivity I always received from Ruth (her malted milkshakes were legendary) and all of the Ryan children. It was so evident Ruth was the source of these wonderful traits. Mike was truly my greatest friend through my younger years. There was always at least one or more significant Ryan influence (Baby sitters, co-workers, friends, defenders of my sanity) on me from my earliest memories, and I still think about them during many of my current life experiences with my own family. Truly inspiring. My deepest condolences go out to Mike and the rest of the Ryan clan, she was so lovely.

John Taylor - December 16, 2020 at 11:42 AM



“ On behalf of Fr. Scott Donahue and Mercy Home for Boys & Girls, we would like to extend our heartfelt condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Ruth Ryan.

May the angels lead her into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome her and take her to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem.

Mercy Home for Boys & Girls - December 16, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Creedon Ryan.



December 16, 2020 at 09:16 AM



“ I knew Ruth for many years through IC church and school. My older son John and her youngest son Mike, were good friends and classmates at IC. Whenever I spoke to Ruth I would always tell her she was a saint. She had this lovely, soft voice and kindly demeanor that always made me feel privileged to be in her presence. Several of her daughters were excellent babysitters for my children and exemplified what an awesome mother they had.
My heart felt sorrow and sympathy go out to her wonderful family for their great loss of this exceptional person.



Teresa Taylor - December 16, 2020 at 12:53 AM



“ Teresa Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ruth Creedon Ryan



Teresa Taylor - December 16, 2020 at 12:43 AM



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My heart felt sorry and sympathy go out to her wonderful family at this time of great loss.



Teresa Taylor - December 16, 2020 at 12:38 AM



“ I extend my sincere sympathy at this time of great loss.

I remember seeing and speaking with Mrs. Ryan a few years back while she was in a car with Kate(I think near Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church). Of course, I saw her numerous times while attending Immaculate Conception Grade School. I remember Mrs. Ryan as a very kind person.

-Pat Benedict

Patrick Benedict - December 15, 2020 at 06:40 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Creedon Ryan.



December 15, 2020 at 05:28 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Creedon Ryan.



December 15, 2020 at 05:08 PM



“ I remember when her daughter Sheila would come home after school and Mrs. Ryan would give us vanilla wafers and Milk for an after school snack. She was always very kind to me!

Denise Davis - December 15, 2020 at 04:47 PM



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Denise Davis - December 15, 2020 at 04:43 PM



“ Anonymous lit a candle in memory of Ruth Creedon Ryan



Anonymous - December 15, 2020 at 04:39 PM