



Mrs. Ruby M. Cotten

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Ruby Mai Cotten, age 88 of Hendersonville, died on April 29, 2014.

She is survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Charles Layton Cotten; children, Danny Cotten of Nashville, Pam (David) Connell of Marietta, GA, Rickey Cotten of Nashville, Alan Cotten of Hendersonville; grandchildren, Michael Howell, Jr., Kristen (Nathan) Garroway, Shea Cotten, Chris (Hannah) Cotten, Amy (Alex) McKinlay, Adam (Emily) Connell, Brent (Angie) Cotten; and eight great-grandchildren. Additionally, she is survived by three siblings (of the original seven): Mrs. Bobbie Dorris of Henderson, KY, Mr. Elmer (Annette) Lee of Smyrna, and Mr. Billy (Pat) Lee of Hendersonville.

Mrs. Cotten was born April 27, 1926 near Hamble in Dickson County, TN and was the eldest daughter of Robert W. and Christine Lee. She was a 1945 graduate of Charlotte High School in Charlotte, TN. Following her marriage on July 4, 1947, she and Charles lived in Germany for four years while he worked in military intelligence, and Ruby did secretarial work for the Army. Upon returning to the States, they moved to Nashville and made their home in the Inglewood neighborhood for more than thirty years before moving to Hendersonville. Over the course of her life, Mrs. Cotten was a devoted homemaker – raising four children and one grandson – as well as a great support to her husband in the operation of the Charles L. Cotten Roofing Company, in business for more than fifty years.

She was deeply loyal to her family and to the work of the Church. She delighted in writing cards and notes of encouragement to others, memorizing the Scriptures, and daily Bible reading. Ruby was thrilled when her twin great-granddaughters, Ruby and Lila, were born six years ago. At the time of her death, Mrs. Cotten was a member of the Creekview Church of Christ in Gallatin. For many years, she served in teaching the Bible to children, supported the work of missionaries in the Philippines, and served alongside her husband in his work as an elder.



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The family will visit with friends on Friday, May 2, 2014, from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m., at Spring Hill Funeral Home. Additional visitation will take place on Saturday, May 3rd, from 12pm until 12:45pm. Stacey Durham will lead the funeral service to honor Mrs. Cotten on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at 1 p.m. Interment will follow in historic Spring Hill Cemetery.

Flowers can be sent to Spring Hill Funeral Home. Arrangements entrusted to Spring Hill Funeral Home, 5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville, TN 37216, (615)865-1101.



Tribute Wall

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Joy Bolick posted:

Pam and Family: You have been in our thoughts and prayers during this time of the loss of your mom. I know our Lord will give you comfort and peace. Knowing you will meet her again gives such great hope that is difficult to understand unless The Lord is your Savior. Your mom's life was one of service to her King, to her family and others. You are loved. Be strong. God bless. John 14:1-5, Romans 8, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Joy and Bo Bolick

May 3 at 3:39 PM



Sam Dorris posted:

Pam and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during your time of sorrow. Peace be with you all in knowing Aunt Ruby is with our Father in heaven. With Love from Sam and Sharon Dorris

May 3 at 4:00 AM



Evelyn J. sent a sympathy card to the Cotten family.



May 2 at 12:00 PM



Sandra Dunn Layne lit a candle in honor of Ruby.

Pam, may you feel the peace and comfort knowing that your dear Mother is at home with her Father. The separation we feel now endears us to the hope we will be reunited with our loved ones. Prayers for the Connell, Cotten and Lee families at this difficult time. Sandra Dunn Layne



May 1 at 1:52 PM



Garroway Family, Connell Family, And Mckinlay Family sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Cotten family.



May 1 at 8:42 AM



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DC

Debbie Connell posted:

Pam- Our thoughts and prayers are with you,David, and your whole family as you walk thru this hard time. We know God is leading your every step and comforting you with family and friends.Love- Debbie and Joe

May 1 at 7:30 AM

BS

Brenda Stewart posted:

Pam,My thoughts are with you, David and your family during this difficult time. You are in my heart and prayers.Love you,Brenda Stewart

May 1 at 5:18 AM

RH

Ray Hawkins posted:

Pam,Our thoughts and prayers are with you, David, and your entire family during this time of sadness...but Victory in Jesus! You are a strong testament to your Mother's love of God and Christian life. God is there with you.Love, Ray and Rhonda Hawkins

May 1 at 4:28 AM

DM

Don And Sherryl Giles, Marietta, Ga posted:

Pam,May God keep his loving arms around you, David, your Dad, and your entire family in the days ahead. We pray that you will feel the encouragement and comfort that God will provide. You selected a wonderful photo to display here and I know you are comforted in knowing the exemplary Christian life that she modeled for others in her daily walk.We love you,Don and Sherryl Giles

May 1 at 2:17 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Cotten family.



May 1 at 12:32 AM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cotten family.

April 30 at 2:54 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Cotten family.

April 30 at 1:36 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ruby by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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