



Ruby Jo Mitchell

July 19, 1929 - September 22, 2012

Ruby Jo Mitchell, 83, of Fort Payne passed away Saturday, September 22, 2012. She was a member of First Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School and formerly a member of Gault Avenue Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School and G.A.'s and was a member of the choir. She was the retired president of Mitchell Oil Co. Mrs. Mitchell was the first woman to be named as a consignee-agent by Esso (now Exxon) in 1965 after the death of her husband, and she thus became an early female business pioneer in Fort Payne. She continued in the business well into her 70's when Mitchell Oil was sold in 2006. Mrs. Mitchell was a charter member and former president of Landmarks of DeKalb, later serving as treasurer. She was named Miss DeKalb in 1947, and in her later years honored as a Rotary Rose. She was a member of the board of directors for Fort Payne Bank/Amsouth. An avid traveler, Mrs. Mitchell visited 30 countries on six different continents. Jo was a loving wife, devoted mother and faithful friend and she always had a smile on her face. She will forever be remembered for her kind, loving and generous spirit. Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Monday at First Baptist Church with Dr. Pat McFadden and Dr. Mike Mitchell officiating. Burial will follow in Glenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends Sunday from 5 until 8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church or Gault Avenue Baptist Church. She is survived by her sons Bill Mitchell and wife Karen, Mike Mitchell and wife Sharon both of Fort Payne, and Brad Mitchell of Alpine, AL, sister Burma Lou Coker of Fort Payne, grandchildren Jonathan (Brandy) Mitchell, Jennifer (Andrew) Holloway, John (Cindy) Leffingwell, Joey (Holly) Mitchell, Laura Beth (Robert) Gable, Daniel Mitchell, Andrew Mitchell, and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband "Brub" Mitchell. Wilson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruby Jo Mitchell*

January 12, 2023 at 10:45 AM

SH

“ *Thinking of Ruby Jo's family at this time.*

Sarah Haase - October 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Jamie and I wanted to offer our condolences to Brad, Mike, Bill and all their families. I wish we could have made it to the visitation. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. May it bring you peace knowing that your Mom is in Christ's loving arms. If there is anything we can do, please let us know. Sincerely, Scott and Jamie Walker.*

Scott and Jamie Walker - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Ms. Ruby Jo was a precious and dear Lady. She was a wonderful friend to my Mom & myself. My heart is sad for each of you, Mike, Bill, Brad & all the family. She will be missed very much by many people. Ms. Ruby Jo leaves a very strong legacy for our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Denise Green Williams - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *Just heard about your loss...so sorry. I Went to church with this sweet lady for years and was also one of her GA girls. Every Wednesday night we got to play vollyball, have refreshments and our lesson. She was one of the sweetest women I've ever known and I will never forget her. I'm so glad I got to see her in the hospital not too long ago. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Gwinn (McMullan) Bell - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *I am so sorry about Mrs. Ruby Joe. I loved her at Gault Avenue when I was a kid. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Lynn Brisendine - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Ruby Jo brought blessings to all that she came in contact with and I loved her dearly.*

Mary John Williams - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ *From early childhood, I always enjoyed visiting the Mitchell home. Ms. Mitchell was a very capable, kind, warm and special person. Sincere condolences to Bill, Mike, Brad and family.*

Collins Kirby - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ *Such a sweet lady!!! Much admiration for a beautiful soul inside and out. Blessed to have had the opportunity to have know Mrs. Ruby Jo ... Amy Woods*

Nancy Jennings & Amy Woods(daughter) - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *We are thinking about all of you. Ruby Jo was a great lady with a kind, loving spirit. She will be missed. Jim & Ann Houston*

Jim & Ann Houston - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Ruby Jo was a very special lady. She will be missed. Raymond J. Groat*

Raymond J. Groat - September 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *What a wonderful legacy that Ruby Jo has given you. Now that I know some of her life story, I can see how she has been influential in your lives, all along the way...how beautiful. We love you and are praying for you and yours. John & Wanda Mount*

John and Wanda Mount - September 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM