



Ruby Lucille Handy

June 5, 1937 - January 1, 2025

The life of our beloved, Ruby Lucille Handy began on June 5, 1937, in Oriole, Maryland to the late

Harrison F. Maddox and Iva M. Maddox. She departed this life peacefully on the morning of January 1,

2025 at her residence surrounded by loved ones.

Ruby was educated in the Somerset County school System . after graduating from high school. She met

and married Hanson J.S. Handy Sr. and from that union their only son Hank, Jr. was born.

She first began her employment as a cleaning Professional alongside her sister and brother –in-law in

Trenton, New Jersey. After returning to Princess Anne, Maryland she worked in private domestic service

for Yow, Jones, English and Ruffetta Families.

Later on she worked in the unit of student affairs at the University Maryland Eastern Shore, in Murphy

Hall as a “House Mother” and other duties until she retired. She attended First Baptist Church of

Salisbury, Maryland she enjoyed good Beading and Gospel singing, until her health started to decline.

Ruby enjoyed sewing, watching soap Operas, Game Shows and rooting for her favorite football team

Baltimore Ravens and basketball team Philadelphia 76ers.

Ruby leaves behind to cherish fond memories, her son Hanson "Hank" Handy, Jr.; seven grandchildren

Jermaine Jones, Francine Handy, Tionna Bushaw(Jeremy Bushaw), Jennifer Jones, Travis Carpenter,

Corey Carpenter-Handy and Shanita Hargrove; nine great gran children, Micheal'la Handy-Graham

(DeWitt Graham), Maly sia Handy, Edwin Whitehead, Jeremy Bushaw (Mariah) , Josef Bushaw, Justice

Bushaw , Makayla Cunningham, Michael Carpenter-Handy and Kalen Collins; great-great grandchildren,

London Handy-Dorsey , Logan Handy Dorsey , Jiliana Graham , Enzo Bushaw, and Kash Bushaw; five

brothers , Charles Maddox(Annette) Alton Maddox(pat), William Maddox (Burdenia), Randolph Maddox

(Lovey) and Omar Maddox (Marie); four sisters, Mary Jane Hall (Oliver), Gussie Anne Maddox, Carolyn

"Patsy" Copeland (Earl) and Geraldine Maddox(Norman); one brother-in-law- Oliver "Sonny" Hearn, one

Special daughter-in-law Cynthia Handy, a host of other nieces, cousins and friends; a close friend The

Ruffetta.

In addition the her parents she was also preceded in death by two brothers, Oliver "Eddie" Maddox and

Reverend Ralph Jackson, one sister Doris Elsie Hearn, her former Husband Hanson JS Handy, Sr. two

grandchildren Michael "Mikey" Hand and Raven Handy

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center
901 West Isabella Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Funeral Service

JAN 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

YA

“ On the behalf of Aunt Madeline and family we send our deepest sympathy to the family.

Yvonne M Armwood - January 17, 2025 at 08:46 PM

NG

“ I will miss Ms. Handy. We met during my Murphy Hall days at UMES when she worked in the resident hall and we have been friends ever since. I will miss our weekly talks. Glad to know you will suffer no more pain; rest in peace my friend. Sending my love and hugs to your boys (as she would say) Mr. Hank, Corey and Michael!



Nikki Gale - January 17, 2025 at 10:53 AM

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“ My condolences to the family 🙏🙏



Brenda White - January 16, 2025 at 11:08 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruby Lucille Handy.

January 13, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruby Lucille Handy.



January 13, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ Family we send our deepest condolences . I got to know Mz. Handy as i called her back in the 80's. We worked together at umes in the lady's dorm. She was one of my bosses but you couldn't tell because she never asked alot . she was a wonderful lady . Sadly she will be missed but never forgotten !



LEE&JEANNETTE GARDNER - January 13, 2025 at 11:17 AM



“ Sending prayers and my wholehearted condolences to the family.

Rodney Jones - January 13, 2025 at 08:35 AM



“ So sorry to learn of your mother's passing. Praying the family will be comforted by Holy Spirit. Jesus said He would never leave nor forsake you. He knows and understands how you are feeling.

Loisisha Redding - January 09, 2025 at 08:17 PM

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“ *Sorry For Your Loss* ”



Thomas Widgeon - January 09, 2025 at 07:29 AM