



## Rachel J. Meadows

June 26, 1936 - February 7, 2026

Evans, GA – Rachel J. Meadows, 89, wife of the late George “Ray” Meadows entered into rest on Saturday, February 7, 2026.

Funeral services will be held from the chapel of Chance and Hydrick Funeral Directors on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 2 o’clock with Reverend Tracy Pressley officiating.

Family will receive friends on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, from 1 o’clock until the hour of the service at Chance & Hydrick funeral home.

Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Park.

Mrs. Meadows, daughter of the late Lewis Josey and the late Lorena Smith Josey, was born in Washington County- Riddleville, GA. She was a faithful member of Fleming Baptist Church, where she served devotedly as both church secretary and financial secretary. Her life of service extended far beyond an office, as she lovingly taught GA’s, a member of Ruth Sunday School, nursery, and participated in homebound ministries, always caring for others with a servant’s heart. Raised in a hardworking sharecropper family, she learned the values of perseverance, humility, and faith early in life values she carried with her throughout the years. She volunteered at The Red Cross, Augusta Baptist Association Disaster Relief, and at University Hospital as a Pink Lady. She was a wonderful caregiver who found joy in tending her yard, growing and canning vegetables, and nurturing both her home and those around her. She was one of seven children and the last surviving sibling, holding dear the legacy of her family. In her younger years, she was an

accomplished athlete, playing basketball at Sandersville High School where she was an all-star and was voted Best Guard of the CSRA, an achievement she carried with quiet pride.

Mrs. Meadows is preceded in death by her husband, George "Ray" Meadows, and her parents, Lewis Josey and Lorena Smith; her siblings, Sarah J. Hicks, Edwin (Buck) Josey, Winnie J. McIlisried, Verlon Josey, Hugh Josey, infant Glenda Josey.

Mrs. Meadows is survived by her son, Gerald Meadows; her daughter, Janice Meadows Johnson (Barney); her grandchildren, Heather Meadows Tilton (Cliff), Hope Meadows Tyler (Chris), B.L. Johnson (Brooks), Aaron H. Johnson (Corrie); her great grandchildren, Jackson Tilton, Sawyer Tilton, Abel Tilton, Pierce Johnsonon, Ridge Johnson, Josey Johnson, Barrett Tyler, Carter Tyler; her sister- in-law, Pansy Stanley Josey.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons, grandsons -in-law and great grandsons.

Honorary pallbearers will be her nephews.

The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the staff of Augusta Gardens Memory Care and MSA Hospice for their compassionate care and support.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fleming Baptist Church Homebound Ministries at 3027 Peach Orchard Rd. Augusta, GA 30906.

Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors, 2502 Richmond Hill Road, Augusta, GA, 30906.

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# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

FEB 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral

FEB 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

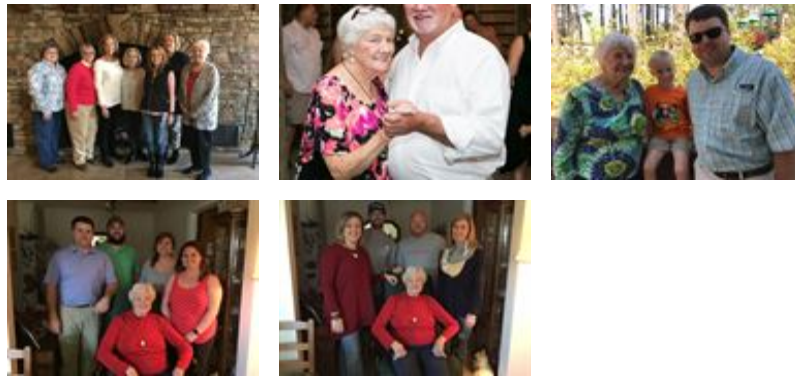
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“ *Ms. Meadows, you are missed I promise to cherish the moments we had together. your smile would bright up any room. Thank you for loving me the way you did and always trusting me. we will meet again. continue to smile down upon me. I LOVE YOU!!!!!!*

Indi Taylor - February 23 at 10:20 AM



“ *7 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors - February 11 at 10:06 AM



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Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors - February 10 at 04:17 PM

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“ Henry C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rachel J. Meadows.

Henry C. - February 10 at 03:59 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Rachel J. Meadows.



February 10 at 03:59 PM

EH

“ Dear Janice, Gerald, and the rest of the family: I am deeply saddened to learn of the death of your mother. She was always so nice and sweet, and the best compliment anyone could receive, she was a good Christian lady. I miss Fleming Baptist Church, and how nice and caring everyone was. We grew up in a Church where we learned how to be good Christians. I miss Reverend Tommy Hammond's Sermons, and also the many fine Christians we had in that Church. I am currently a member of Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church. In my heart, I will always be a Baptist. Whenever; I discover on the Bulletin that we are singing a glorious Baptist Hymn, it fills my heart and soul with joy. The day that I am looking forward to is when we all get to Heaven and see our loved ones and our blessed Savior Jesus. In Christ's Love, Elaine Lewis Harper

elaine harper - February 10 at 01:13 PM

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“ Carol H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rachel J. Meadows.

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**Carol H.** - February 10 at 10:36 AM