



## Ruby Moody

January 29, 1917 - September 6, 2010

### Obituary of Ruby Moody

A long time resident of Lady Lake, Ruby Earle Hoss Moody passed away Monday, Sept. 6, 2010, at Leesburg Regional Medical Center, following a brief illness; she was 93 years of age. Born in Hickox, GA, on January 29, 1917, to John Henry and Martha Nora Blocker Hoss, she began her working career as a switch board operator for the Florida Telephone Corp. in Kissimmee where she met an associate named Howard Moody to whom she was wed for 66 years.

They had two children, Robert H. (Bettie) Moody of Fruitland Park and Judith Ann (Bennie) Noles of Fairburn, GA. Following a long period of being a homemaker, Ruby enjoyed a second career as secretary at First Baptist Church of Leesburg and later at Calvary Baptist of Leesburg.

In addition to being active in her church, Ruby enjoyed crafts of all kinds, creating heirloom quality quilts as well as mastering the difficult art of reweaving, a rare skill for which she was remunerated by area dry cleaners;

her culinary and preserving talents are also remembered by her many friends and family members

She and her husband, who predeceased her in 2002, summered for 25 years at their log cabin near Sylva, N.C., making dear friends in an area they so loved. Following the demise of her husband, Rubye continued to manage their navel orange grove, legendary for its superior quality fruit, as well as spending her final years at their country lakeside home they fondly and proudly named Still Waters.

Other survivors include grandchildren, Lewis (Raynette) Noles, Bogart, GA; Robert (Karla) Moody, II, Big Canoe, GA; Lara (John) McGlohorn, Fruitland Park, and Lisa (Wynand) Louw, Alachua, as well as 5 grandsons, Adrian, Jonathan and Trevor Louw, plus Henry Moody and Benjamin Noles. She is also survived by a sister, Margaret H. Clark of Madison, MS, as well as numerous nieces and nephews across the South.

A graveside service at Shiloh Cemetery in Fruitland Park is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010.

In lieu of flowers or memorial gifts please consider identifying a person in need and assisting him or her in some way in memory of Rubye Moody's Christian spirit.

### Services

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### Memorials

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# Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Having known and loved Mrs. Moody most of my life, I know firsthand the strength and character that she had. Being a master at hospitality, she was a great cook and made her home at Still Waters available for many events for church, friends, and family. She was a responsible leader of her church and family and will be remembered by all.*

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**Carolyn Huskey Sellers** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *In Memory of Rubye who would travel to a small mountain community that lies at the Smoky Mountain foothills of Jackson Co. in North Carolina. Rubye's traveling took her across a rippling river and through winding roads edged by Mountain Laurel and tall timbers; rounded mountain tops high above and trickling streams below to a cottage she well so loved. Passing sloping pastures and sweeping fields of green Rubye would arrive at her cottage hidden by a world back in time by traveling over roads of pavement that changed to gravel and dirt. Along the roadside trails - it's mystic; almost a breathtaking gust from the past. Rubye spoke of the Fireflies; the only blinking lights that appeared at twilight. (Unlike busy cities) The fluttering sound of birds in branches so tall; dense enough to hide someone secluded so. The gentleness of the wind moved the smoky mist along ridge tops; sometimes pushing ominous dark clouds that brought rain. Rubye would say, "Sometimes that rain comes down in sheets at the cottage door." Whether it was the glow of autumn leaves, or the wild flowers under the forest of trees , to Rubye the rain satisfied the thirst of all "Living Things." As winter began creeping toward the Mountains of home Rubye would leave the care of soltitude to return to Florida to her other home and close friends and family. Rubye would say, "I'll return next year because life beckons me to the beauty of the mountains and the cool mountain air of Appalachia."*

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**Joelean P. Fox - Mountain Neighbor** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Dear Bobby and Judy, I am deeply sorry to hear of the death of your mother. I have fond memories of the times I spent in your home as a teenager growing up. She and Howard were wonderful people and had long good lives. I can still remember her teaching Judy and I how to sew on the tredle Singer Sewing machine. And her Tuna Casserole. She will be forever a part of my memories.*

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**Shirley Manes Works** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ You are loved and we are remembering you and your family in our prayers.

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**Linda & Jerry Johnson** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PO

“ What precious memories we have of growing up in Fruitland Park with Bobby and Judy. Mrs. Moody was always that elegant lady involved in family, church and school. Our prayers and love from Marvin and myself.

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**Pat Beville Oliver** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved mother and grandmother. She was a remarkable woman that i have many fond memories of. I know she is with her savior and her beloved husband. Praying for comfort for you and all your family during this difficult time.  
Sincerely, Michelle Wise Branson

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**Michelle Branson** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ we grieve with you at the loss of Ruby. We also rejoice with you at her homegoing. Heaven is a richer place now. Ruby was the church secretary at First Baptist, Leesburg when I served as summer youth minister for 2 summers. She helped me so much in the early time of my ministry. Gene Huskey

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**eugene huskey** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ Judy, Bob, and Moody Family, I was saddened to hear about losing your mother this week. Your entire family were special - They always worked to encourage the youth in church and community activities. It seems that this year (2010) has been difficult for many of us. After losing Diane in March, completing one knee replacement and scheduling another knee surgery for September 20th I have done very little to communicate with friends. I will not be able to attend the Saturday service but my thoughts and prayers will be with you. Sincerely, Glenn Tyre

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**Glenn Tyre** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ Judy, I am very sorry about the loss of your mother. I am praying that the Lord will comfort you and your family during this time as he has promised. God Bless you. Charles Enix

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**Charles Enix** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the whole extended family.

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**Bill Hayes** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Judy, I was so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She's about the same age my mother would have been. I know losing a parent is a bittersweet experience. You're so glad they're with the Lord, but you miss them fiercely sometimes. My love and my prayers are with you. Ruth Ann

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**Ruth Ann (Messimer) Warren** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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