



## Ellen Ruth Holder Spurgeon

May 19, 1940 - October 6, 2023

Ellen Holder Spurgeon, 83, went home to be with her Lord on October 6, 2023. She was born on May 19, 1940 to Lowry and Pauleidith (Browder) Holder and was a lifetime resident of Sweetwater. She will be so missed by her family and friends, especially her smile and laughter. Ellen loved all people, and they loved her back. Her inviting personality, charm, grace, and beautiful smile was given to all she met. Ellen loved her special “girl time” with her sister, Rosemary. They watched Golden Girls, had make over days and giggled often. It was a sisterhood as well as a special friendship.

Ellen is preceded in death, not only by her parents, but by her sisters, JoAnn Quackenbush, Lillian Yvonne “Snookie” Waters, and Linda Kay Mohr. Two grandsons, Travis Wade Spurgeon and James Leonard Spurgeon III.

Ellen is survived by her husband of 67 years, Leonard Spurgeon, three sons, Lowry Edward Spurgeon, James Leonard Spurgeon Jr., and Jerry Randall Spurgeon. She also leaves behind two sisters, Thelma (William) Van Deman and Rosemary Todd, her precious grandchildren, Nathan Spurgeon, Dillon Spurgeon, Amanda (Dustin) Akens, Julia Ellen Spurgeon, Miranda (JJ) Hughes, Tayla (Josh) Spurgeon, Brett Spurgeon, Chase Spurgeon, as well as 17 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews she loved dearly. Receiving of friends will be held Wednesday, October 11, 2023, from 5:00 PM-6:00 PM in the Sweetwater Memory Chapel. Funeral services will immediately follow at 6:00 PM with Pastor Isaac Sparks officiating. Burial will be held on Thursday October 12, 2023 at 2:00 PM in the Sweetwater Memorial Park.

Sweetwater Memory Chapel is honored to serve the Spurgeon family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 11. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Memory Chapel  
P.O. Box 201  
1838 Highway 11 North  
Sweetwater, TN 37874  
(423) 337-7773  
<https://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com>

## Funeral Service

OCT 11. 6:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Memory Chapel  
P.O. Box 201  
1838 Highway 11 North  
Sweetwater, TN 37874  
(423) 337-7773  
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## Graveside Service

OCT 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Memorial Park  
1838 Hwy 11 N  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ann Brady lit a candle in memory of Ellen Ruth Holder Spurgeon*



Ann Brady - October 12, 2023 at 03:33 AM

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“ *Richard F. purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Ellen Ruth Holder Spurgeon.*



Richard F. - October 11, 2023 at 11:46 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Ellen Ruth Holder Spurgeon.*



October 11, 2023 at 07:24 AM



“ *Ashley Bigda lit a candle in memory of Ellen Ruth Holder Spurgeon*



Ashley Bigda - October 07, 2023 at 10:42 AM