



## Ruth Stout

January 23, 1931 - February 12, 2018

Ruth Stout, of Harriman, passed from her earthly life on February 12th, 2018, after 87 years. Born January 23, 1931, she was the last remaining child of 16 born to Elsie Hembree and Jackson King Rather. Most or all of them were born in the Wheat community of Roane County where they remained until forced from their land by the war effort. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Alvin Stout, and their only child, David Stout.

Ruth lived her entire life in Roane County working at the Harriman Hosiery Mill until its closing then at the Rockwood Mill until her retirement. After losing her husband and son, she made a life working outside on her flowers all day long every day of the year, only taking a break for a cup of coffee, when a friend came by, or when one of the neighborhood dogs would wander by for companionship and a handout. She said she felt close to her God when she was caring for her flowers.

She is survived by nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews, a special friend of nearly 60 years Betty McMurray, another special friend Marilyn Johnson who visited her often at the nursing home, dedicated caregiver and loving friend Lonetta Goins, and all the caring staff at Harriman Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Family and friends will visit Saturday, February 17th at 1:00 at Kyker Funeral

Home in Kingston. A brief service will begin at 1:30 followed by a processional to Roane Memorial Gardens for interment.

# Cemetery Details

## Roane Memorial Gardens

1400 N Gateway Ave  
Rockwood, TN 37854

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 17. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth will be missed. I remember the flowers and her wonderful laugh. Rest in Peace, Ruth.* ”

*Michelle Noel*

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**Michelle Noel** - February 14, 2018 at 05:33 PM