



## Willie Jo Ward

May 20, 1952 - July 15, 2024

Willie Jo Ward age 72 of Philadelphia, TN. passed away on July 15, 2024 at 4:04am at Fort Sanders Regional Medical Center. Willie is preceded in death by her husband of 50 years Benny Ward, daughter Becky Ward, parents: Arrie and Fannie Shoemaker, sister Helen Ray and brothers Glenn Shoemaker, Donald Shoemaker, Larry Shoemaker, and Fosteen Shoemaker. Willie is survived by her son: Jay Ward of Philadelphia, TN. Sisters and brothers-in-law: Diane and Thomas Thornhill of Sweetwater, TN, Janice Cook of Philadelphia, TN, Mary and Raleigh Knight of Conyers, GA, Peggy and Jerry Cook of Madisonville, TN, and Deborah and Joe Cook of Philadelphia, TN. Brothers Richard Shoemaker, Ronnie Haney of Stewartville, AL and Jimmy and Michelle Haney of Harriman, TN. Grandchildren Devon Ward of Madisonville, TN. And Chloe Duerfeldt of Jacksonville, FL. Along with many nieces, nephews and cousins. The funeral will be Saturday, July 20, 2024 at Sweetwater Memory Chapel with receiving family and friends from 10:00am-1:00pm with the service being held at 1:00pm with Rev. Johnathon Ward officiating. Interment to follow in the Sweetwater Memorial Park. Sweetwater Memory Chapel in charge of arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Sweetwater Memorial Park

1838 Hwy 11 N  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 20. 10:00 AM - 1:00 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

JUL 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Memory Chapel  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Akins Family of Roger and Melissa purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Willie Jo Ward.*



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**The Akins Family of Roger and Melissa** - July 19, 2024 at 12:35 PM



“ *The Akins Family of Roger and Melissa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Willie Jo Ward.*

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**The Akins Family of Roger and Melissa** - July 19, 2024 at 12:35 PM



“ *Gravel Springs Church and Ward Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Willie Jo Ward.*



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**Gravel Springs Church and Ward Family** - July 19, 2024 at 10:03 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Willie Jo Ward.*



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July 18, 2024 at 05:06 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Willie Jo Ward.* ”



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July 17, 2024 at 02:31 PM