



## Wilma Geraldine Ingram Drake

August 24, 1937 - March 18, 2025

Wilma Geraldine Ingram Drake, age 87, of Sweetwater, was called home to be with our Lord on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at Sweetwater Hospital. She was a member of Fairview Baptist Tabernacle Church.

Geraldine was a hardworking and selfless woman who poured her heart into caring for her loved ones, always putting their needs above her own. Her strength, kindness, and unwavering devotion will forever be remembered. She was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Joseph W. (J.W.) Drake; her son, Joseph A. (Joe) Drake; granddaughter, Amy Finchum; parents, Robert Taylor and Nancy Catherine Beavers Ingram; and siblings, Paul Ingram, Minnie Vestal, Hazel Vineyard, Agnes Richeson, Bill Ingram, and Joyce North.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Wilma Burchfield; daughter and son-in-law, Sarah and Bobby Mizer, all of Sweetwater; and her beloved grandchildren and their spouses: Andy and Gail Burchfield, Sam and Kim Mizer, Amanda Burchfield, Brad and Leah Mizer, Bryan and Alex Burchfield, Jason Drake, Charlie and Morgan Mizer, and Hannah Drake. She also leaves behind 22 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren, and Tony Bishop, who held a special place in her heart as a grandson; several nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are invited to gather for visitation on Friday, March 21, 2025, from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Kyker Funeral Home, with a funeral service to follow at 7:00 PM in Kyker's Chapel, officiated by Dr. Gerald Atkins.

A graveside service and interment will take place at Sweetwater Memorial Gardens on Saturday, March 22, 2025, at 10:00 AM, with loved ones meeting there at 9:45 AM. Kyker Funeral Home, Sweetwater, is in charge of the arrangements.

The family extends their deepest gratitude to Dr. Chris Shamblin, Sweetwater Hospital, and Woods Presbyterian Home for the compassionate care given to Mama during her illness. Her love, wisdom, and unwavering faith will forever be a guiding light to those who knew and loved her.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." – Matthew 25:23

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Homes  
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PO Box 309, 113 W. North Street  
Sweetwater, TN 37874  
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## Funeral Service

MAR 21. 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Interment

MAR 22. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sweetwater Memorial Park  
1838 Hwy 11 N  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Tribute Wall



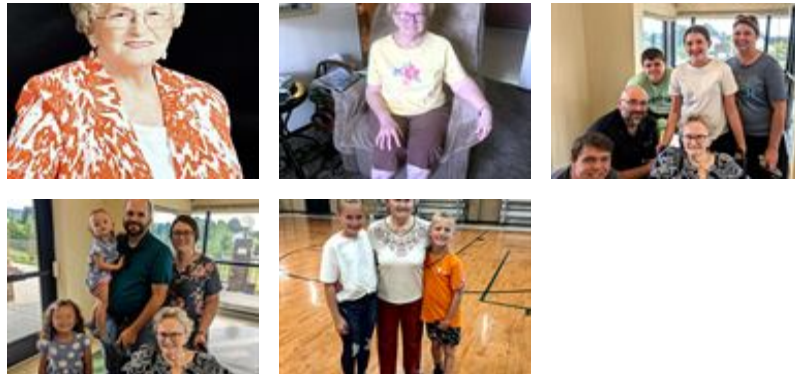
“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wilma Geraldine Ingram Drake*



Kyker Funeral Home - March 21, 2025 at 09:36 AM



“ *61 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - March 21, 2025 at 09:35 AM

CM

“ *I loved working with Geraldine at TMI. She was so funny and such a loving person. RIP Sweet Lady*



Charlotte sweet Moore - March 21, 2025 at 08:39 AM

CT

“ Wilma, so sorry to hear of your mom’s passing. You & family will be in our thoughts & prayers. Cecil & Sheila Tallent

cecil tallent - March 20, 2025 at 10:30 PM

SS

“ She was an amazing lady. Honored to have known her. Love and prayers to all the family  
Suzannah

Suzannah Sulligan - March 20, 2025 at 03:09 PM

GT

“ Dear Family,  
Sorry for your loss, keeping you all in our Prayers and Thoiughts during this time.



Glenn & Delorese Thompson - March 20, 2025 at 02:27 PM

SK

“ Suzannah, Tristan, and Krista. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Wilma Geraldine Ingram Drake.



Suzannah, Tristan, and Krista. - March 20, 2025 at 01:39 PM

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“ Suzannah, Tristan, and Krista. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Wilma Geraldine Ingram Drake.

Suzannah, Tristan, and Krista. - March 20, 2025 at 01:39 PM