



Wanda Ray Williams-Rice

September 16, 1933 - May 5, 2021

Wanda Ray Williams Rice passed away at 87, on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, at her home in Altus, Arkansas. Wanda was born to Johnny and Dora Williams on September 16, 1933, in Cravens, Arkansas. She was a lifetime member of the United Pentecostal Church of Altus. She is preceded in death by her parents; twelve brothers and sisters; and her husband, Ray Hullen Rice.

Wanda is survived by her brother Paul Williams and his wife, Bertha; her three daughters, Louise Riggs of Altus, Shirley and husband Tommy Eddy of Hartman, and Brenda and her husband Newton Shaffer of Ozark; her seven grandchildren; her thirteen great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild; her sister-in-law Martha Belle Rice, her brother and sister-in-law Vernon and Pearl Rice, and her brother and sister-in-law Don and Norma Lee Rice; as well as multiple nieces and nephews.

Throughout her life she was a homemaker, an employee of Cargill and of Circle M. She was member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the United Pentecostal Church of Altus and Prayer Sisters. But she was most happy and fulfilled when helping her daughters with their homes and children. Wanda loved her family fiercely, and she will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Monday, May 10, 2021 at Shaffer Funeral Home 2315 West Commercial Street in Ozark.

Funeral service will be held at 10:00 AM Monday, May 10, 2021 at Shaffer Funeral Home with Brother James Larabel officiating under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home, burial to follow at Highland Cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers are Jeff Yarbrough, Aaron West, Chase Yarbrough, Will West, Jacob Yarbrough, Sean West, Justin Price, and Richard Grimes.

Honorary pallbearers are Jackson Pardue, Weston Pardue, Gavin Gauthier, Shaffer Grimes, Jim Rofkahr, and Slade Sisk.

Cemetery Details

Highland Cemetery

Highway 64 West
Ozark, AR 72949

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 10. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
2315 West Commercial Street
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Shaffer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wanda Ray Williams-Rice*



Shaffer Funeral Home - May 07, 2021 at 03:29 PM



Wanda was a wonderful woman. As a young girl I enjoyed coming to she and Ray Hullen's home to visit the girls.

Jan Hicks - May 08, 2021 at 10:07 AM

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“ *She loved me and I miss and love her and uncle Hullen* 🥹❤️



Charlotte Bugg - June 03, 2025 at 11:32 PM



“ *Wanda Ray Williams-Rice*

January 30, 2023 at 02:28 AM

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“ *Went to school with Wands at Concord. We worked together at Circle M. We will all miss her. Sending prayers for all the family*

Marie Hutchison - May 09, 2021 at 02:09 PM