



## Thelma Fordham Ison

June 11, 1925 - January 22, 2021

Thelma Claris Fordham Ison, 95, of Griffin, widow of Thomas Jefferson "T.J." Ison died Friday, January 22, 2021 at her home.

Born in Griffin, June 11, 1925, she was a daughter of the late Aubry Zorn and Ella Varella Kendrick Fordham. During World War II, Mrs. Ison helped assemble ships for the Military in Mobile Bay and later retired from Highland Mills after many years of service. She was an excellent cook and loved to share her coconut cakes with friends and family. Her life revolved around her family and many close friends.

Mrs. Ison was a member of McIntosh Baptist Church.

Having been one of eight children, she was preceded in death by five siblings. Survivors include a son, Tom J. Ison and wife Bess; a daughter, Cherri Weldon and husband Danny; three grandchildren, Jennifer Kenney, Thomas J. Ison and wife Heather, and Allison Busbin and husband Will, all of Griffin; five great-grandchildren, Kathryn Doss and husband Paul, Byron Kenney, Layla Grace Ison, Luke Busbin and Allie Busbin; one great-great grandchild, Cora Elizabeth Doss; a sister, Ruby Nelson of Griffin; a brother, Jim Fordham and wife Rita of Dalton; and numerous nieces and nephews also survive. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, a private graveside funeral service was conducted Sunday at Oak Hill Cemetery with Reverend Rick Whitlock officiating.

The family would like to say a special thank you to Joan McDaniel and Ruby Nelson for all their love and support during this difficult time. To the

professionals at Sacred Journey, we thank you for the kindness and wonderful care you provided for our mother.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be made to Santa David Children's Fund, 275 Fisherman Lane, Senoia, GA 30276 in memory of Mrs. Ison.

For online condolences please visit [www.haistenmcculloughfuneralhome.com](http://www.haistenmcculloughfuneralhome.com). Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, 1155 Everree Inn Road, Griffin is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thelma Fordham Ison*

October 07, 2023 at 09:35 AM



“ *Tommy and family, I am so very sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She was my "MOM" whenever I was at your home, full of nothing but love for all of her "kids." She truly made this world a better place, and will always hold a special place in this old mans heart.*

**Sammy Lane** - February 05, 2021 at 09:46 AM



“ *Cherri, I'm so sorry about your Mama. She was a precious lady. Praying the comfort only God can give for you and your family and Mrs Claris' loved ones.*

**Julie Avery** - January 29, 2021 at 02:24 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Miss Claris' passing. It was a pleasure to have known her. I will be forever grateful for her taking me back into the ICU to see David. She had so much love in her heart for her family. May she rest in the arms of Jesus. My prayers for the family during this time. May you find comfort in knowing she is celebrating in glory with all her family that were waiting for her with open arms.*

**Thomas Thurston** - January 26, 2021 at 08:03 AM