



Virginia Pauline McWaters Rape

October 23, 1938 - August 3, 2025

Virginia Pauline McWaters Rape, 86, of Griffin, died Sunday, August 3, 2025, at Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital.

Born in McDonough, October 23, 1938, she was a daughter of the late Elbert John McWaters and Maude Gertrude Chumley McWaters. Ms. Rape formerly worked for Best Manufacturing for many years and retired from Griffin First United Methodist Church Weekday Kindergarten in 2014.

She was a faithful member of Sharon Baptist Church where she sang in the choir and worked in several different capacities throughout the church.

Ms. Rape was the last surviving member of her immediate family having been preceded in death by two brothers and one sister. She was also preceded in death by a son, John Daniel Rape.

Survivors include daughters, Gina Fraley and fiancée, Troy Gooden of Griffin, Rhonda Rape, also of Griffin, Trellis Gillihan and husband Harvey of Concord and Denise Whitman and husband Tim of Jackson; grandchildren, Jeremy, Jennifer, Kevin, Cody, Nicholas, Lora and Baleigh; numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services for Virginia Pauline McWaters Rape will be conducted Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at 2:00 PM from the Chapel of Haisten McCullough Funeral Home with Craig Gordy officiating. Burial will follow in Westwood Gardens.

The family will receive friends Wednesday from 1:00 PM until the service hour at the funeral home.

For online condolences please visit www.haistenmcculloughfuneralhome.com.

Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, 1155 Everee Inn Road, Griffin is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Westwood Gardens

1155 Everee Inn Rd.
Griffin, GA 30224

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

WP

“ I am so sorry to learn of Virginia's passing. She was always the kindest and sweetest lady. It was a blessing to have known such a wonderful person. Rest in peace sweet lady. Trellis, Rhonda, Denise, Gina and entire family, my deepest condolences and prayers are with you.



Warren Perkins - December 17, 2025 at 07:03 PM

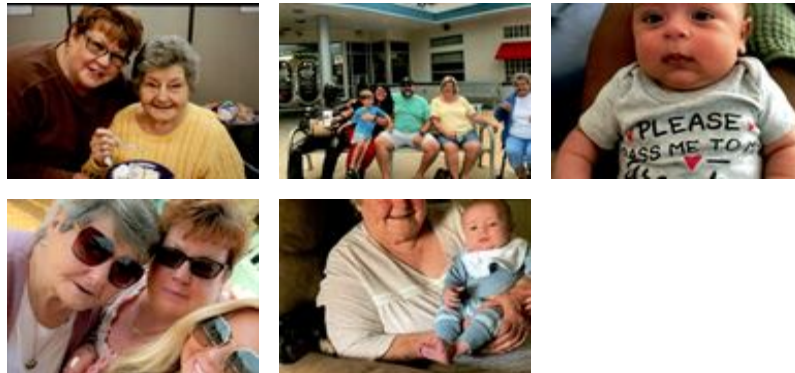
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“ My wife and I worked with Virginia for years at Best Mfg. We considered her a good friend. Ray & Kathy Cobb

Ray Cobb - August 13, 2025 at 11:33 AM



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Haisten McCullough Funeral Home - August 06, 2025 at 12:03 PM

PW

“ I was a roommate at nursing home with Virginia I only got to know her a few days but she was so nice and I miss her very much. Her family were friendly and caring to me. I already miss her very much. she will truly be missed. my heart goes out to her family.

Pat walton - August 06, 2025 at 10:45 AM

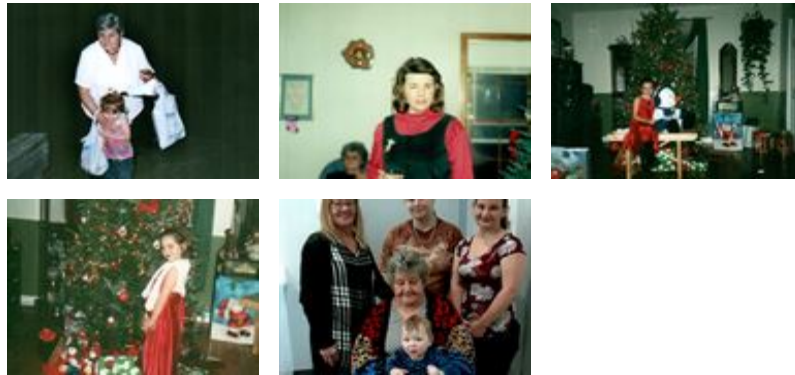
LG

I'm so sorry for the loss of Mrs. Virginia I've known her and her family for a long time 😭 I went to school with 2 of her daughters Denise and Trellis ❤️ my heart goes out to you all 🙏

Lisa Gunnels - August 06, 2025 at 01:37 PM



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Haisten McCullough Funeral Home - August 05, 2025 at 04:21 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virginia Pauline McWaters Rape.



August 05, 2025 at 12:15 PM

RR

“ How could I forget Mrs Virginia grade school up! Prayers for each of you

Renee Redding - August 05, 2025 at 07:15 AM

AH

“ I don't think I ever knew her name, she was Nanny. She was such a sweet loving lady to me and from what I saw, to everyone. Sending prayers to this wonderful family.

Audrey Harris - August 04, 2025 at 06:41 PM

MW

I came to know and love Nanny when Kevin married Valerie my granddaughter!! We always discussed how much we loved them and their family. She was a very warm and caring person in my opinion. Praying for all the families!!

mary Williamson - August 04, 2025 at 11:36 PM

DT

I have known you girls & John since I was 14. I loved Mrs. Virginia she was the sweetest mother there was. I am so sorry I missed the funeral. Marty has been sick and we have been in Atlanta. Please know I am thinking and praying for each of you. Debra Perry Tolen and Marty Tolen

Debra Tolen - August 07, 2025 at 09:43 AM

ND

My love and prayers are you 4 daughters, who your Mom loved so much. She was a friend from years ago, who was always a loving friend....even tho our paths did not cross often. Virginia was a kind thoughtful lady who never changed. We had a lot of fun raising you all and my 3. A lot of beautiful memories! Love to all of you.

nancy dorton - August 12, 2025 at 12:58 PM