



## Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin

September 16, 1923 - October 13, 2017

Lola Mae Ruffin was born on September 16, 1923, to the late William and the late Thelma Staton in Martin County, NC. She was the oldest of five children. Lola Mae transitioned to Glory on October 13, 2017, in Wilson, NC, at the home of her daughter, Connie

Stanley and husband, Charles Stanley.

Lola Mae was married to the love of her life, the late Larry Thomas Ruffin. She attended the area schools in Pitt County, NC.

Lola Mae was an active member of Riddick Chapel Missionary Baptist Church for most of her life. For many years she sang in the choir. Lola Mae worked at Black and Decker in Tarboro, NC, where she retired. She was a member of Grand Court Order of Calanthe and The Bethel Flower Club. Her special friend, the late George "Mr. George" Worsley adored her for many years.

Lola Mae enjoyed gardening and tending to her house plants.

Most recently she was showered with flowers for her 94th birthday. Although she would vehemently deny it, she was a great cook and served many wonderful Sunday dinners. Sweet tea and Pepsi were her favorites! Spending time with her children and loved ones gave her the most happiness, as could be seen in most of her pictures.

Lola Mae was kind and caring, as result of her generous spirit and pleasant personality, she was respected, admired and loved by many.

Lola Mae Ruffin was preceded in death by her son, Andrew

Staton; her brother, Russell David "RD" Staton; her two sisters, Edna Mack and Johnnie Mae Jones; two grandchildren, Mattie Rasheena Brown and Deodus "D" Harrell.

Lola Mae leaves to cherish her memory, six children, Lynteen Harrell (Samuel) of Portsmouth, VA, Bonnie Howell of Hampton, VA, Connie Stanley (Charles) of Wilson, NC, Wallace Ruffin (Audra) of N. Chesterfield, VA, Michael Staton of Greenville, NC, and a bonus daughter, Dianne Wilson (James) of Winterville, NC; two brothers, William Staton (Gina) of Greenville, NC and Robert Staton (Faye) of Delaware; six sisters, Geraldine Baker (Joe) of Plymouth, NC, Doris Saunders (Charles) of Jamesville, NC, Rosa Norman (Nathaniel) of Roper, NC, Janie Cooper (George) of Plymouth, NC, Fannie Staton of Plymouth, NC; and Sandra Staton of Grimesland, NC; twenty-six grandchildren; thirty-eight great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; a host of loving nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Pinelawn Cemetery

328 Cemetery Road  
Bethel, NC 27812

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Riddick Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
228 West Church St  
Bethel, NC 27812

## Service

OCT **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Riddick Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
228 West Church St  
Bethel, NC 27812

# Tribute Wall

SC

“ Love you grandma, from your granddaughter you never met. But thanks to the Lord your with me always and 4ever, so it feels like I've known you all my life!!  
..... Continue to rest well my ove ❤️



Shawna Cowell - October 18, 2025 at 01:12 AM



“ Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM

RO

“ Ruffin family: Sorry for your loss. Praying that all can have comfort from knowing that one day sickness and death will be gone forever. (Isaiah 33:24)

Robyn - November 05, 2017 at 06:47 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home And Staff sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - November 01, 2017 at 09:53 AM

MA

“ On the behalf of Kingdom Empowerment Ministries, Inc. and Apostle Emma Speaker Dickens (Senior Pastor), we extend our heartfelt condolences to you and your family during your time of bereavement. We will continue to lift you & your family up unto the Lord. We are assured he will be the peace and comfort that you need now and the days to come. Know that God is with you, he loves you and he cares.

*With love and prayers,  
K.E.M. and Apostle Emma S. Dickens*

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**Martellis** - October 21, 2017 at 09:51 PM

EF

“ Earl Wayne Jones & Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin.



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**Earl Wayne Jones & Family** - October 19, 2017 at 09:25 PM

SF

“ Sharron Kay Wilson And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin



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**Sharron Kay Wilson and Family** - October 19, 2017 at 08:50 PM

JF

“ *Julia Hines And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin*



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**Julia Hines and Family** - October 18, 2017 at 03:47 PM

ES

“ *Elizabeth Scott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin*



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**Elizabeth Scott** - October 18, 2017 at 03:46 PM

JF

“ *Julia Hines And Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin*



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**Julia Hines and Family** - October 18, 2017 at 03:45 PM

GH

“ *Sorry for your lost. You are in our prayers.*

*Gloria Jean Highsmith and Famiy*



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**Gloria Highsmith** - October 18, 2017 at 03:44 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin.*



October 17, 2017 at 11:31 PM



“ *Dear Connie, Bonnie & Family:  
You have our deepest sympathy. May God strengthen you to endure the loss of your mother.  
Love,  
Izora & Mack Ebron, Jr. and Family  
Norwalk, CT*

**Izora Ebron** - October 17, 2017 at 02:49 AM



“ *MINISTER DORA COX sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin*



**MINISTER DORA COX** - October 17, 2017 at 12:22 AM



*SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS, KNOW THAT YOU ARE ALL IN MY PRAYERS, GOD WILL SUSTAIN YOU, AND STRENGTHEN YOU, LOVE ALL OF YOU*

*MINISTER COX/FAMILY*

**MINISTER DORA COX** - October 17, 2017 at 12:24 AM



“ Joseph & Peggy Slade lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin



Joseph & Peggy Slade - October 16, 2017 at 10:42 PM



“ Lisa Hart & Ashlyn Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin



Lisa Hart & Ashlyn Jones - October 16, 2017 at 09:52 PM



“ The Wilson Church of Christ honors the life of Ms. Lola Mae Ruffin and offers the prayers of the Church for God's peace and comfort to the family during her passing. May God continue to bless you and keep you in His hands. Mel Powers and family with the Wilson Church of Christ.

Melvin Powers - October 16, 2017 at 03:05 PM



“ Kay Peele lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin



Kay Peele - October 15, 2017 at 10:16 PM

DF

“ *Diane Carmack Stancil @ Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin*



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**Diane Carmack Stancil @ Family** - October 15, 2017 at 01:25 PM

TC

“ *The Wilson Church of Christ purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin.*



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**The Wilson Church of Christ** - October 14, 2017 at 01:34 PM

KP

“ *Kay Peele lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Lola Mae Ruffin*



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**Kay Peele** - October 14, 2017 at 12:32 AM

KP

“ *To Connie and Bonnie, so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. May God give you strength and peace that surpasses all understanding. Love you all*

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**Kay Peele** - October 14, 2017 at 12:32 AM

RH

*To Connie and the entire family, I am so sorrow to hear about Ms Lola. She will always be a special person to me. It bought me joy in seeing such a close family as you all were and still are.*

*Keep holding on to the memories and I will be praying that God will give you all strength. A wonderful lady with a great big heart has gone to our heavenly father. Rest in peace Ms Lola.*

*Ruth Hardy*

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**Ruth Hardy** - October 18, 2017 at 03:37 PM