



Ruth Brown Piper

July 4, 1924 - August 13, 2018

Ruth Brown Piper, 94, of Eltham in New Kent County, Virginia, passed from this earthly life to her heavenly home on August 13, 2018.

Ruth Perry was born at home in Barhamsville, Virginia, on July 4, 1924. She was the youngest child of the late Joseph Winfred Brown and Hattie Bradenham Brown. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Robert “Bob” Piper and her brother, W. Clinton Brown. Ruth is survived by her son, Robert E. “Chip” Piper; her daughter, Perryann Whitehurst; four loving grandchildren, Rachael and Gabrielle Piper, and Chase and Bobby Whitehurst; one beautiful great-granddaughter, Amelia Quinn Franklin; her sister, Virginia Vranian, nephews, a niece and other close family members and friends along with a very special caregiver, Donna Palmer.

Ruth began her working life with an education from Smith-Deal Massey Business College in Richmond, VA. She was employed with the Naval Mine Depot in Yorktown, VA where she met her soulmate, Robert “Bob” Piper. After their marriage and the birth of children, Chip and Perryann, Ruth went back to work at the Cliff Wheel Company located in West Point, VA. From there, she spent over 40 years as the bookkeeper for Bob Alley Towing. After retirement, Ruth volunteered at the Riverside Nursing Home for many years. She was a member of the “Lively Ladies” support group for widowed women. Ruth was a devoted member of Tabernacle United Methodist Church.

Ruth was a God loving and faithful servant. She never met a stranger and trusted all in her presence. Ruth's home was always open and welcoming with a smile and homecooking for all who entered...a true caregiver. Ruth was a supportive follower of her grandchildren's activities, in the stands or auditoriums. She was a strong, proud and loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She filled each with her love, devotion, integrity and values. All of this will be missed deeply, but will be carried on in our own hearts and wonderful memories.

Meemaw, we will miss you always, and will continue to live life like you showed us. You were a gentle lady, caregiver to all around you and a trusting soul, and today we celebrate your life. Heaven now has its newest Angel and we know you have been reunited with your loving sweetheart, Bob "Big Daddy".

A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, August 16th at Tabernacle United Methodist Church, 20051 Tabernacle Road, Barhamsville, VA 23011. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, VA 23181. Memorials may be made to West Point Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc., PO Box X, West Point, VA 23181 or Tabernacle Memorial Association (Address above).

Cemetery Details

Tabernacle United Methodist Church Cemetery

20051 Tabernacle Road
Barhamsville, VA 23011

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel
417 11th St
West Point, VA 23181
(804) 843-2550

Service

AUG 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

Tabernacle United Methodist Church Cemetery
20051 Tabernacle Road
Barhamsville, VA 23011

Tribute Wall

VA

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Virginia&Will Addison - August 27, 2018 at 10:20 AM

LC

“ So sorry to here about your mom. She was such a sweet person. I keep you all in my prayers.

Lisa Crowe - August 26, 2018 at 06:56 PM

SB

“ Perryann & Chip - My deepest sympathy for your loss. Thinking of you.
Sandy Baker

Sandy Baker - August 22, 2018 at 02:35 PM

PR

“ Perryann & Chip - Thinking of you at this difficult time. I am sorry the loss of your mother, Mrs. Piper. May the love of Jesus heal your broken hearts soon.

Plunard Robinson - August 19, 2018 at 04:51 PM

BP

“ Dear Perryann - I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom. I will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Brenda Portlock - August 16, 2018 at 01:34 PM

NS

“ Nancy Vaughan Scott lit a candle in memory of Ruth Brown Piper



Nancy Vaughan Scott - August 16, 2018 at 11:24 AM

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SW

“ Chip an Perry Ann and family,
So sad to find out about Ms. Ruth's passing.
She was a dear lady, an i enjoyed caring for
her in her home. We had a good time together
going for lunch or sitting on the front porch
and visiting her sister Virginia. She was always concerned about her
family and friends.
She is going to be missed, but i know she is with the Lord Jesus
and her loving husband. Love you all and wish i could be with you,
my prayers and thoughts are there.



Sandra Wilson - August 16, 2018 at 11:20 AM

JE

“ I am so sorry for your loss; treasure all your wonderful memories.
Thinking of you all with love.

Jody Eyer - August 16, 2018 at 08:44 AM

DN

“ *Donny Norman lit a candle in memory of Ruth Brown Piper*



Donny Norman - August 16, 2018 at 06:53 AM

PI

“ *Paula Inscoe lit a candle in memory of Ruth Brown Piper*



Paula Inscoe - August 15, 2018 at 08:39 PM

JW

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. We have many fond memories of Ruth and Bob and their faithful service to Tabernacle. Such a delightful and caring couple.*

Keeping the family in our thoughts and prayers.

Joanne and Herbert Wilkerson

Joanne Wilkerson - August 15, 2018 at 06:06 PM

MD

“ *Mary Ellen& Bobby Davis lit a candle in memory of Ruth Brown Piper*



Mary Ellen& Bobby Davis - August 15, 2018 at 11:27 AM

CC

“ *Carrie Conklin lit a candle in memory of Ruth Brown Piper*



Carrie Conklin - August 15, 2018 at 10:28 AM

CC

Such a good long life! I'm sure you'll all miss her greatly. Blessings.

Carrie Conklin - August 15, 2018 at 10:31 AM

BR

“ *Perryann and Chip,*

I am saddened to hear of your mother's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May the choir of angels come to meet her and take her to paradise.

Betty Seal Russo

Betty Russo - August 15, 2018 at 07:23 AM

CC

“ *Carol Carter lit a candle in memory of Ruth Brown Piper*



Carol Carter - August 14, 2018 at 10:19 PM

CC

“ *Perryann and Robert I am sorry for your loss, keeping you in my prayers.*

Carol Carter - August 14, 2018 at 10:18 PM

EM

“ *We're so very sorry for your loss. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers. We love you all.*



Ed Mullis - August 14, 2018 at 09:02 PM

GC

“ *Dear Piper Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Cherish your beautiful and loving memories.
With heartfelt sympathy,
Gloria Couch*

Gloria Couch - August 14, 2018 at 05:43 PM

BJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. GOD BLESS!*



Beverly & Jim - August 14, 2018 at 05:39 PM

JP

“ *Sending love and prayers. So sorry for your loss!*

Judy&Glenn Palmer - August 14, 2018 at 02:51 PM



Fond memories of your Mom. Condolences to your family.

M. Talley - August 16, 2018 at 11:50 PM