



Jo Ruth Sparks

May 6, 1931 - April 22, 2022

Jo Ruth (Raines) Sparks, age 90 of Fayetteville (formerly of Little Rock) passed peacefully to her Heavenly home on April 22, 2022.

She is survived by her husband Robert E. Sparks, daughter Sharon Davis (Jean), son Robert Sparks, Jr., grandsons Corey R. Runnells (Sheryl) and Joshua Aaron (Kelly), brother J. W. Buddy Raines, five great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her father, Allen C. Raines, mother, Charlotte Doty Raines, son Frank E. (Rusty) Sparks, grandson, Christopher Runnells brother Allen Raines, Jr., sister Frances R. Chaffin, and brotherly cousin Charles R. Emerson.

Jo Ruth was born in Bay, AR on May 6, 1931. She spent most of her life in Little Rock where she married, raised her three children and was an active member of her local church family. Her creativity fueled a passion of sewing projects, floral arrangements, and many lovely crafts. She loved to cook and host family gatherings with her delicious meals. One of her favorite things was making your “favorite dish” on your “special day” and holidays. She impacted the lives of many with her nurturing and loving ways.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 30 at 2:30 p.m. at Pinecrest Memorial Park in Alexander, AR.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Pinecrest Cemetery

7401 Arkansas 5 North
Alexander, AR 72002

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 30. 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I saw Mrs. Jo Ruth show appreciation by sending cards and making calls and giving tokens of her love--one of my favorites she gave me is a covered cake stand (and the Juanita's peanut brittle--but that is gone of course). I think of her and Bro. Bob almost daily as I drive by their former homeplace. I know you will miss her, and, like I do, you look forward to seeing her again. I'm sorry for your loss here, until then.

Kelly Brown - April 27 at 05:54 PM