



## Ruby Estelle Ketchem

March 2, 1942 - January 19, 2023

It is with deepened sadness that we share the memory of Ruby Estelle Ketchem, of Odenton, Maryland. Loving wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother and Aunt. Her family was her world, as she was ours. She is preceded in death by her loving son, Jay, her mother and father, Lillian and Freddie Chewning. Her sister Libby, her brothers, Bill and Jr. She is survived by her loving husband of 59 years Jerry Ketchem and her sister Paulette. Her daughters, Patti and Sheila, her grandchildren Bambi, Spencer, Madison, Sawyer, Samuel, Luke, Jersey and Coleman. Her great grandchildren Desiree, Levi, Rhett and Brett. She will be missed by all her knew and loved her.

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ Ruby was like a second mom to me. I would go over to visit my best buddy Jay at their house, and Ruby was always there with a smiling face and genuine concern for how I was doing. I was always welcomed with open arms and she always made me feel right at home. \nWe talked a lot through email while she was taking care of Jay. Always positive and with immense love and care for her son.\nShe was the glue that held that house together. One of the most selfless people I have ever met. She raised 3 amazing children and had numerous grandkids to love and dote over. I will miss talking to her here on earth but we will all be reunited one day soon. We love you Ruby. You will be greatly missed.

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**Derek Wille** - January 30, 2023 at 10:08 AM

DG

“ Our prayers are with you during your loss. COL and Mrs. Richard Goodwin

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**Dick Goodwin** - January 27, 2023 at 11:47 AM

RP

“ The first memory I have is with her. She was my peace. She loved to take me to the park, she loved fresh air, sunshine, birds, the squirrels, the ducks... She loved to take care of the Lords animals. She’s been known to save a few. She loved reading about the human body. She loved to make each one of us feel so special on our birthdays! She taught me that if I ever am unsure of which way to go, just to think of the good Lords commandments. Keep them on my heart. She is the heart and Rock of our family. She made me feel seen, loved, accepted, understood. She never forgot a face. You could describe a face to her and she could pick them out of a crowd. The last time she hugged me, she said it felt like Heaven. I miss her so much every minute. I know she’s exactly where we all want to be most!!! I can’t wait to worship our KING JESUS with my beautiful Nanny! “She’s more precious than rubies” NANNY, I LOVE YOU SO MUCH FOREVER!!!! I can’t wait to HUG YOU TIGHT!!!! I wish I would have hugged you so much longer!!!! I MISS YOU SO MUCH!!!!!!!! GOD BLESS YOU NANNY!!!! See you soon! ❤️

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Renée Payne - January 26, 2023 at 10:11 PM

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“ What a beautiful person you are. Your smile was infectious your laughter will always bring a smile to my face. You will never be forgotten and always thought of with love. What a beautiful person that I have been honored to be a part of your life.

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Sherry - January 26, 2023 at 05:56 PM

DM

“ My Aunt Ruby was a amazing women. She was my favorite. Many people don't know what a angelic voice she had. Without a doubt she could have been a professional singer like her son Jay. She was also a amazing cook and baker. I always looked forward to being invited up for dinner as I knew it was going to be a fabulous dinner. She was also the sweetest, caring mom, grandmother and great grandmother. She loved her family so dearly. She was married to my Uncle Jerry for 59 years and it was so special to see the love they continued to share through all those years. The family she raised reflects in how much love she showed them by the way all of them succeeded in life and how all her grandchildren adored her. She was so very special to me. I will miss her dearly but know that she believed in Christ and will spend eternity in paradise. I love you Aunt Ruby and will see you one day.

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**David Maxey** - January 26, 2023 at 05:54 PM

TF

“ Will miss that wonderful laugh and beautiful smile

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**The Auberzinski Family** - January 26, 2023 at 04:41 PM

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“ I will always remember Ruby as one of the most beautiful people I know her beauty is not only on the outside she is beautiful on the inside also. I always looked forward to having my hair done she made you feel like family. I will miss her and her beautiful smile. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Audrey Harman** - January 26, 2023 at 04:27 PM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ *Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Ruby Estelle Ketchem - January 24, 2023 at 02:49 PM**