



## Ruth Ellen Christy

March 30, 1923 - October 27, 2025

Ruth Ellen Christy, 102, of Summerville, South Carolina, passed away peacefully on October 27, 2025. Ruth was born on March 30, 1923, in Adams County, Indiana, to the late Ralph and Marie Christy.

Ruth grew up on her family's farm, where she learned the value of hard work and dedication, qualities that defined her throughout her life. After completing her early education, she went on to earn her Nursing degree from Fort Wayne Nursing School, later receiving a Master's degree.

For more than 50 years, Ruth devoted herself to caring for others as a nurse at the same hospital, where she was deeply respected by both her coworkers and her patients. Her compassion, dedication, and gentle spirit left an enduring mark on countless lives. Ruth married George Vanderlip at the age of 99 and they spent their final years together.

A faithful member of Sauldam Baptist Church, Ruth's life was guided by her strong faith and her love for the Lord. Ruth was compassionate towards children and conducted children's summer Bible School. She was faithful in giving donations to help spread the word of Jesus. She enjoyed reading, cooking, bird watching, especially hummingbirds, and tending to her flowers. Ruth took numerous trips to Edisto beach, collecting shells every chance she could.

A visitation of family and friends will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2025, from 1pm to 2pm at Sauldam Baptist Church. The funeral service will begin at 2:00pm in the Church. Burial will immediately follow at Sauldam Baptist Church Cemetery.

She is survived by nine beloved nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one nephew; as well as her siblings: Eloise, Elaine, and Bryce.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Sauldam Baptist Church  
5945 County Line Rd  
Ravenel, SC 29470  
(843) 766-4961

## Funeral Service

NOV 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

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5945 County Line Rd  
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## Burial

NOV 1 (ET)

Sauldam Baptist Church Cemetery  
5945 County Line Road  
Ravenel, SC

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Peace and comfort to the family, friends and nursing colleagues of Nurse Ruth Christy. Thank you for touching the lives of so many through your compassion, servant’s heart and nursing service. From the Nurses Honor Guard of SC*



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