

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown during this time of bereavement. May God bless and keep you!

*We love and
miss you,
Ruby.*

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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Ruby Mae Wade

May 21, 1942 – July 31, 2026

*Your presence we miss, your memory
we treasure, loving you always,
forgetting you never.*

LIFE'S REFLECTIONS



Ruby Mae Wade, 84, of Yazoo City, Mississippi, passed peacefully from this life in the comfort of her home on July 31, 2026.

Ruby was born on May 21, 1942, in Cushing, Oklahoma, to Roy Bert Patton and Dorothy Marie Patton. She was raised alongside her brothers, Virgil and Daune Patton, and carried the importance of loyalty and family as cornerstones of her life.

On June 1, 1962, Ruby married her sweetheart and the love of her life, Tommy Jim Wade, in California. Their marriage would span 60 wonderful years. In the early 1960s, Ruby and Tommy settled in Yazoo City, Mississippi, where they made their home, raised their two sons, and built a life together centered around their family and their faith.

Ruby was a devoted Christian whose love for the Lord could be seen throughout her life. Sanctuary First United Pentecostal Church was not simply the church she attended; it was her church home and an important part of her life for many years. She faithfully served as a Sunday school teacher and also used her gift of sign language as both a teacher and interpreter. She had a servant's heart and found great joy in helping others and sharing her faith.

Home and family were where Ruby's heart was happiest. She was a devoted wife to Tommy, a loving mother, a proud grandmother, and an especially blessed great-grandmother. Nothing mattered more to her than the people she loved.

Ruby was the mother of Thomas James "Jimmy" Wade and his wife, Sherry, and David Roy Wade and his wife, Alene. Her grandchildren include Michael "Mike" West, Suzanne "Suzie" Adcock, Johnathan James Van Wade, Candace "Candi" Wade, Michael Martin, and James Franklin "Franky" Martin. Her family continued to grow through the years, blessing Ruby with 18 great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Judy Patton; nephews Roy Patton and Aaron Patton; nieces Pennie and Theresa; as well as extended family, dear friends, and a church family who shared many years of life with her.

Ruby was preceded in death by her parents, Roy Bert and Dorothy Marie Patton; her brothers, Virgil Patton and Daune Patton; her beloved husband, Tommy Jim Wade; her grandson, Michael Martin; and her daughter-in-law, Alene Martin.



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Ruby's 84 years were filled with the things she held most dear: loving her husband, raising her family, watching that family grow through generations, and serving the Lord she loved so faithfully.

She and Tommy shared six decades side by side. Together they built more than a home. They built a family whose story continues through their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Ruby had the joy of watching the little family she and Tommy began in 1962 grow into generations of people she loved dearly.

Those who loved Ruby will miss the comfort of simply knowing she was there. They will miss her presence at family gatherings, her familiar ways, her love, her faith, and all of the little things that made her simply Ruby.

Although saying goodbye leaves an emptiness that cannot easily be put into words, her family finds comfort in the faith that guided Ruby throughout her life. After 84 years on this earth, she has gone home to the Lord she faithfully served and has been reunited with Tommy and those she loved who made that journey before her.

Service Information

The family will receive friends for visitation on Friday, August 7, 2026, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Ruby's longtime church home, Sanctuary First United Pentecostal Church, 1520 Swazey Street, Yazoo City, Mississippi 39194.

A celebration of Ruby's life will be held on Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Sanctuary First United Pentecostal Church. She will then be laid to rest at Glenwood Cemetery in Yazoo City, following the funeral service.

Pallbearers

Serving as pallbearers will be James Milner, Jeff Wade, Jimmy Wade, Johnathan Wade, Jared Adcock, and John Vancleave.

Ruby leaves behind a family that is larger because of her, a church touched by her years of service, and generations who will continue telling her stories and carrying forward the faith and love she gave so freely.

She was deeply loved, she will be dearly missed, and she will always be remembered.

