



## Rachel Sorrow Sheppard

January 21, 1921 - February 22, 2020

Rachel Sorrow Sheppard, 99, of Lithonia, GA passed away Saturday, February 22, 2020. Rachel was preceded in death by her husband, Oscar Nixon Sheppard, Jr.; and her son, Nixon Conley Sheppard. Rachel is survived by daughter-in-law, Jina Sheppard; son, Joseph Sheppard (Eileen); and daughter, Mary Robertson (Doug); grandchildren, Elizabeth (Dane), Rachel (Bryan), Sarah (Derek), Anna, and Teresa.

Mrs. Sheppard was born at Rock Chapel Community, GA and spent many years growing up in Stone Mountain, GA. She attended LaGrange College and worked for the government during WWII, doing job placement for civilians as part of the war effort. She met her husband of 38 years before finishing college and married after the war. They started their life together in her husband's hometown of Pensacola, Florida, and later moved to Atlanta and raised their family there.

Rachel Sheppard was a member of Rock Chapel United Methodist Church. She was well versed in the history of her church and the Rock Chapel Community. She enjoyed cooking, reading, antiquing, and was a lover of history. She also loved her family and was proud of her children and grandchildren and their accomplishments.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Rock Chapel Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 1004, Lithonia, GA 30058.

A visitation will be held on Friday from 2:00 PM until 3:30 PM at Tom M. Wages Snellville Chapel.

Condolences may be sent or viewed at <http://www.wagesfuneralhome.com>. Tom M. Wages Funeral Service, LLC, A Family Company, 3705 Highway 78 West, Snellville, GA 30039 (770-979-3200) has been entrusted with the arrangements.

# Events

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**FEB**   **Visitation**   02:00PM - 03:30PM

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Tom M. Wages Funeral Service - Snellville

3705 Highway 78 West, Snellville, GA, US, 30039

# Comments

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“ I am so sorry to learn of Ms Rachel's passing. I met her in the early 90's while doing family history research. She was a world of information being the keeper of the records for Rock Chapel Methodist Church. We connected immediately as my great grandfather built a desk for her grandfather that she had. It was beautiful. Of course I tried to get her to let me buy it from her but she said that her children wanted it which I could understand. She also owned the land in which my great grandfather had lived on. I had been through Lithonia on the way to parts unknown and thought of her so many times and wanted to stop but time didn't permit. Please accept my sincere condolences. I thought the world of her.

Royce Patch Smith  
Evans, GA

**Royce** - March 31, 2020 at 02:56 PM

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“ Dear Mary, Doug and family:  
I am sad for your loss and uplifting you in prayer.  
Love,  
Jane Moore

**jane moore** - February 24, 2020 at 06:01 PM