



## Ruth Burton

November 16, 1969 - January 14, 2021

Ruth, age 51, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, January 14, 2021. She was a resident of Albany, LA. Ruth was a dedicated teacher for 20+ years. She worked at Courtney Christian School and taught English, Math, and Bible. Ruth was a devoted member of The Wellspring Church. Both her and her husband were extremely active and never missed a service. Ruth was truly a selfless woman and always put others before herself. She absolutely adored children and had a slight obsession with cats. Ruth truly left an impact on all who knew her and will be forever missed.

"And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you request, for all the people of my town know that you are a virtuous woman." Ruth 3:11

She is survived by her husband of 28 years, Josh Burton; daughter, Dr. Beth Burton; sons, Ben Burton, Matt Burton; parents, Dawn and Robert Hafele; and brother, Robert Hafele.

The family has requested that anyone who attends the visitation please wear a mask and practice social distancing. In honor of Ruth, the family has asked that everyone please wear some form of Ruth's favorite color, purple.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, 12012 Hwy 190 W. Hammond, LA 70401, on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00

p.m. Private family services will follow.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 19. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Hammond, LA  
12012 Highway 190 W  
Hammond, LA 70401  
(225) 567-1884

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Burton*



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**Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home** - January 18, 2021 at 11:28 AM

SM

“ *Ruth was a good friend from Chi Alpha @ SLU and Harvest Church. We had a great time together in prayer & bible study. She was a super Mom... able to master task many hats and keep Josh sane. And she was the first person I saw as was coming up from the water in baptism. Pastor Steven Valdez of Chi Alpha in the SLU swimming pool.  
Girl you beat me to Heaven..see ya at the entrance. Love Shelly Moore 💜.*

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**Shelly Moore** - February 10, 2021 at 01:09 PM

KZ

“ We want to extend are deepest sympathies to the Burton and Hafele families on the loss of beautiful Ruth.

*My our Lord surround you with comfort and peace during this most difficult time.*

*With love and prayers,*

*David and Karen Zimmerman*

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**Karen Zimmerman** - January 26, 2021 at 12:27 PM



“ Ruth was one of the most sweetest girls in our graduating class. She was always an encourager. She has left this world a better place and I know I will see her again. I know she is with our Heavenly Father and He was able to say to her “Well done my kind and faithful servant”.

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**Nina Miller** - January 22, 2021 at 09:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.



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January 19, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



January 19, 2021 at 03:23 PM



“ *Goodbye Dear Sister*

**Robbie Hafele** - January 19, 2021 at 10:09 AM

DE

*My sincerest condolences*

**Debbie** - January 30, 2021 at 01:53 AM

AH

“ *Ruth I will miss you. I will always treasure our times together, the laughter and the not so happy moments. TY for being a dear friend who shared so much love and welcomed me in your home more times than I count! You always treated me like family and made me feel special and important. You were always someone I could turn to with a problem or a praise! TY for being YOU. I love you. 💕💕*



**Allison Hughart** - January 18, 2021 at 10:13 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



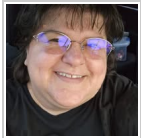
January 18, 2021 at 08:17 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



January 17, 2021 at 09:26 PM



“ *Hi Ruth. It's been years since we've talked but I am thankful to have known you and even have considered you a friend. Thank you for always being nice to me even when you were tired or stressed.*

**Klaiten Robertson** - January 17, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



January 17, 2021 at 10:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 17, 2021 at 09:45 AM



“ *Prayers for your family.  
Stormy & Denise Lee*



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**Denise Lee** - January 17, 2021 at 05:45 AM



“ *Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 16, 2021 at 06:58 PM



“ *The Barrentine Family - Mark, Karen, Emma & Weston purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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**The Barrentine Family - Mark, Karen, Emma & Weston** -  
January 16, 2021 at 01:55 PM

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“ *The Goodson Family purchased the A Full Life for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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**The Goodson Family** - January 16, 2021 at 11:52 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 16, 2021 at 11:33 AM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 16, 2021 at 11:25 AM



“ *Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 16, 2021 at 11:19 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 16, 2021 at 10:40 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 16, 2021 at 12:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 15, 2021 at 10:44 PM



“ Unfortunately, I was unable to know Ms. Ruth as much as I would have liked to. I am Matt's roommate in Baton Rouge, and he is a brother to me. I know how much Matt loved his mom and how much more she loved him. Through every phone call they shared, meals she sent, and Animal Crossing hangout, this was plainly evident. Even in the brief interactions we had, she always treated me like her own son. It gives me great peace knowing that she has already heard the words of our Father say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." I aspire to live a life of love even remotely close to the life that Mrs. Burton lived. The impact she made on so many peers, friends, and students will never fade. My deepest, most sincere prayers go to Matt, Ben, Beth, and Mr. Josh. May the Lord bring you comfort and healing in this difficult time.

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**Josh Hermanstorfer** - January 15, 2021 at 10:40 PM

DL

*Prayers for your family.  
Stormy & Denise Lee*

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**Denise Lee** - January 16, 2021 at 10:36 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 15, 2021 at 10:21 PM

HS

“ 21 years ago Ruth and I and a handful of other moms across the country found out we were expecting babies that would be born with special hearts and require special care. We also found out that it was pretty lonely caring for these babies without other moms who understood the road we were traveling. Thanks to an email support groups called the Congenital Heart Information Network (CHIN) we met and we were able to trade emails, get answers to questions and support each other in the work of caring for our special babies. Through the years as our babies have become great adults we've followed each other's stories with pride. My heart is broken for your family and for the loss to our heart community. Sending prayers and love to all who knew Ruth.

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Hollie Stephenson - January 15, 2021 at 09:52 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.



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January 15, 2021 at 09:44 PM

MR

“ My sweet friend, Ruth Burton went to be with Jesus tonight. I think back to college days in Chi Alpha with you, early days visiting your classroom during my teaching practicums, and great times celebrating with you at church. You always were a breath of fresh air with a positive, encouraging spirit. I always left your presence feeling the love of Jesus that you displayed daily. You gave to your students, friends, and family unsacrificially. It is huge loss for all of us, but I am eternally grateful to have you in my life. May I learn from the love you gave as an example of Jesus. I love you and will miss you so much. May God comfort your family during this time and bring His peace to them during this tragic time. Goodbye my friend!

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**Melissa Riche** - January 15, 2021 at 09:30 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.



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January 15, 2021 at 09:27 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.



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January 15, 2021 at 08:33 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 15, 2021 at 07:53 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Burton.*



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January 15, 2021 at 07:51 PM