



## Helen Virginia Walker

July 1, 1939 - March 23, 2025

Helen Virginia Ryle Walker, 85, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, March 23, 2025. She was born in Miami, Florida on July 1, 1939, to the late James Edwards Ryle and Myrtice Beckham Ryle.

Helen attended North Miami High School where she graduated in 1957; the following year she gave birth to her daughter, Dianne. Over time she came to work for Bellsouth, where she achieved the title of a first level supervisor and retired from the company in 1994, after 32 years of service. She was a lifelong Christian and enjoyed the time she spent at Northwest Baptist Church and The Oaks Church.

She enjoyed every moment of her life, no matter how big or small, as long as she was surrounded by family and friends. If there was anything more that Helen loved in comparison to the Lord it would be her family. Whether spending time at home, beach days at St. George Island or even mountain trips to Dillard, Georgia; as long as Helen was with family she was happy. Helen was more than just a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother; she was the life of the party, the spark that ignited joy in every gathering. Her presence was like a burst of fireworks, and her sharp wit kept everyone on their toes. She touched the lives of many, leaving a vast mark of love, laughter and genuine care. Her legacy lives on in the hearts of all who were fortunate enough to know her.

She is preceded in death by her parents: Myrtice and James Edwards Ryle. She is survived by her brother, Richard "Rick" Ryle; her daughter, Dianne

Haygood; 2 granddaughters: Melanie Richards (Louis Marshall) and Sara Bass (Joseph Bass); 4 great grandsons: Joseph Richards, Rylee Bass, Wesley Marshall and Colson Bass; as well as cousins, niece, nephews and countless friends.

Inurnment service will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. at Forest Meadows Cemetery, 4100 NW 39th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32606.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

MAR **29**. 12:01 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Chapel at Forest Meadows Cemetery  
4100 NW 39th Ave  
Gainesville, FL 32606-6120  
(352) 376-9552

# Tribute Wall



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Virginia Walker.*



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March 29, 2025 at 06:44 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Helen Virginia Walker.

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