



Ruth Imogene Manning

June 9, 1937 - October 10, 2022

Ruth Imogene Manning was born in Laurel, Mississippi on June 9, 1937, and went to be with Jesus on October 10, 2022, at her home at the age of 85.

She loved her family and cherished time spent with them. She was a great mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother and was loved by all who knew her. She was an amazing and very dedicated musician who played for many church services, weddings, funerals, and special occasions. Imogene was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church where she served faithfully as organist for over fifty years. She also worked at Stover Smith Electric for many years.

Imogene was preceded in death by her husband of sixty-five years, William Lamar Manning, Sr.; parents, Leonard and Gertrude Blackledge; her brother and sister-in-law, Winfred and Wilistine Blackledge; sister-in-law, Mary Blackledge; sister, Frances Pitts; sister, Janelle Blackledge; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Claude and Laverne Manning; brother-in-law, Jimmy Manning; and sister-in-law, Hildrea Tidwell.

She is survived by her daughter, Regina (Mark) Reddoch; son, William Lamar (Billy) Manning, Jr. (Rochelle); grandchildren: Kerrie Sherrell (Randy), Kristie Reddoch, Taylor Hodge (Zach), Tanner Manning; great grandchildren: Ellie Sherrell and Leo Sherrell; brother, Orville Blackledge; brother and sister-in-law Hollis and Bonnie Blackledge; brother-in-law and

sister-in-law, Doug and Wildrea Walters; sister-in-law Ann Manning, brother-in-law Morris Tidwell, brother-in-law Floyd Pitts, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be on Saturday, October 15th at 11:00 a.m. at Bethlehem Baptist Church. Visitation will be held at the church from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Dr. John Reid will officiate. Pallbearers will be Tanner Manning, Randy Sherrell, Zach Hodge, Claude Manning, Mike Manning, and Bo Tidwell.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery

838 Reid Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Imogene and I finished High School together. We were very close friends thru high school. She was very great playing the piano. She loved music.. She has gained her wings to heaven. Love and Prayers to all her family.*
Margaret (Coker) Rankin

Margaret Rankin - October 13, 2022 at 11:30 AM

SA

“ *This is my nephew in law's mama. Billy is married to my niece Rochelle Zugg Manning. Ms. Imogene played the organ over 50 years at my husband's family church, Bethlehem Baptist. She was a blessing to many people as she played in the church and for weddings all those years and taught piano. She will be missed by all who knew her.*

Shirley Anderson - October 12, 2022 at 02:18 PM

AR

“ *So sorry for your loss. We will be remembering your family in our prayers in the days to come. Such a precious lady. She will surely be missed. Our deepest sympathy.*

*David & Angela Rudolph
Nell Gieger*

Angela Rudolph - October 12, 2022 at 02:15 PM

CB

“ *I am sorry to hear of your loss. Imogene was one of the sweetest, nicest ladies and she will be missed. Charlotte Baker*

charlotte baker - October 12, 2022 at 11:59 AM

JH

“ So sorry for the loss of your beloved mother. She and your father were good friends of my family through the years. They were part of the extended Ms. Power Co. Family of years ago, and they took an interest in the Power Co. Kids as we grew up and followed us to adulthood. After my husband and I moved back to Ms., to our farm in Piave,, they came to visit us several times while my parents, J.B. and Estelle Upton, were staying with us. Those were great visits and fine memories. Prayers for your family.

Jane U. Henderson - October 12, 2022 at 11:45 AM

KW

“ I am so sorry to hear about Ms Imogene’s passing and also Mr Lamar’s , they have been on my mind since last week. They were two of the kindest, nicest, and most adored couple that I have had the pleasure of knowing and being with. Mr Lamar always kept something going to get over on me and they were the perfect example of what a marriage is suppose to look like. I am so sorry for your loss and they will be greatly missed! My condolences and love Kathy Wade



Kathy Wade - October 12, 2022 at 10:10 AM

BG

“ Rochelle & Billy, so sorry about Mrs. Imogene...I've heard her play at weddings and funerals...she had a wonderful talent...she now plays for our Lord in heaven...our prayers are with you all.
James & Bonnie Gipson

Bonnie Gipson - October 11, 2022 at 10:35 PM