



Ruth Wilhelm Cato

November 9, 1926 - March 27, 2008

Graveside services for Ruth Johnson Wilhelm Cato, 81, will be held at 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 28, 2008 at Magnolia Cemetery. The Revs. Jim Beck and Ryan Goodroe will officiate. The family will receive friends following the service at the cemetery. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Trinidad Fund, 104 E. Home Ave., Hartsville, SC 29550. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family.

Mrs. Cato, widow of James H. Wilhelm, Sr. and Wilbur E. Cato, died Thursday, March 27, 2008. Born in Darlington Co., SC, she was a daughter of the late James Johnson and Rennie Johnson Rhodes.

Surviving are her sons and daughter-in-law, James H. Wilhelm, Jr. of Hartsville, SC, Fred L. and Vanessa Wilhelm, Sr. of Hartsville, SC; daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Al Fink of Hartsville, SC; grandchildren (spouses), Lisa Rae Wilhelm, Fred Lewis (Sarah Lynn) Wilhelm, Jr., Savannah Wilhelm, James Todd (Jennifer) Fink, Chad Lewis (Jennifer) Fink; great-grandchildren, Logan Fink, Caroline Wilhelm, Kelsie Fink

Tribute Wall



“ I remember when Ruth and I first met, The year was 1963 in a Belk Department store. That day forever changed my life. We had many great memories. She was a TRUE friend and she will be missed! Her family will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Betty Adams Elkins##imported-end##

November 25, 2008 at 01:00 AM



“ Jim and Lisa I am so sorry. She was a very special lady to alot of people. I remember growing up and Me and Lisa staying with her and playin cards. My hearts goes out to you in this time of need. I will be praying for you.

Love

MJ G. Hudson##imported-begin##MJ Ghoens Hudson ##imported-end##

May 11, 2008 at 03:18 AM



“ *Debbie, Fred and Jim, I was so sorry to hear about Ruth, I was out of town at the time. Ruth will be truly miss by everyone. She was a dear friend of mine and I loved Her very much but she would deny it if you ask her. I remember the days of fixing her hair and she would scream and tell me I was pulling her hair out. When i finished combing her hair She would take the comb and put her touch on it (square She said I want my hair squared) That's what I loved about Ruth She was just plain Ruth, I never had to wonder how she felt about anything because she would make no bones about it. How could you not love her? I know your heart is hurting right now and I pray God will put his loving arms around You and guide and protect you. Love and prayers . Thank God for the memories###imported-begin###Elaine Beasley###imported-end###*

April 06, 2008 at 01:50 AM



“ *FRED WAS SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR MOTHER PASSING. YOU ARE IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. I KNOW HOW IT FEELS TO LOSE YOUR MOTHER. MAY GOD KEEP HIS ARMS AROUND. GOD BLESS. LEO###imported-begin###LEO OUTLAW###imported-end###*

April 01, 2008 at 09:09 PM



“ *Dear Fink Family: We are so sorry for your loss. Ruth was a wonderful, loving mother. I know this will be hard for all of you. Please know that you are in our prayers.###imported-begin###Curt & Cindy Griggs###imported-end###*

April 01, 2008 at 02:56 PM



“ Fred, Debbie and Family- I was so sorry to hear about Ms.Ruth. She was a very special lady who loved to have fun, loved her family, and always had a smile on her face no matter where you seen her. I have known her a long time. I met her when she sold Home Interiors and I had parties and bought from her through the years. She was the kind of lady that you loved to have as a friend and loved to be around. She had so much fun selling Home Interiors. I know you will all miss her greatly and my heart goes out to each one of you. I know how hard it is to lose a parent, I lost my Dad in 2000. All you can do is take one day at a time and cherish the memories. May God wrap his arms around you through this difficult road ahead.##imported-begin##Rhonda Jones Norton##imported-end##

April 01, 2008 at 11:10 AM



“ Fred and Vanessa I am sorry to hear about your loss. If there's anything yall need just let me know. I will keep you in my prayers. Love Melissa Yow##imported-begin##Melissa Yow##imported-end##

April 01, 2008 at 10:25 AM



“ Debbie and family
I was sorry to learn of you lost. I just know how you feel. You see, I enjoyed so many days of joy and exciting evening with you mother. She was a great person to have as a friend. She and I had enjoyed evening of being just friends..That meant alot to me. My lost of not being able to have this the last couple of years.. I'll miss her and I know ya'll will. God Bless each and all. Lola James##imported-begin##lola james##imported-end##

April 01, 2008 at 02:51 AM



“ Mrs. Debbie, I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. May the Lord put his arms around you & the family at this time. May thoughts & prayers are with you & your family. Love, Terri Huggins###imported-begin###Terri Huggins###imported-end##

March 31, 2008 at 10:21 AM



“ Dear Debbie and Al, I have you and your family in my prayers. Even though we know our parent has gone to the arms of our Lord, it takes time for us to adjust to not seeing a parent face to face. Take care. Becky Wadsworth Walker, Durham,NC###imported-begin###Becky Walker###imported-end##

March 29, 2008 at 06:39 PM



“ Lewis & Sarah Lynn, May God send His richest blessing on your family at this time and wrap His loving arms around you and give you comfort. Love, Paul & Pat Guest###imported-begin###Paul & Pat Guest###imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 12:22 PM



“ Fred, Vanessa, Savannah and family

*We were so saddened to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. We are sending hugs and loving thoughts from Bluffton. Our hope is that you may find comfort in the memories and special moments that you have shared over the years. Also know that one day you will be reunited in Heaven and what a glorious day that will be. Fondly,
Lynn and Mari Penn##imported-begin##Lynn Boatwright and Mari Penn Boatwright##imported-end##*

March 28, 2008 at 11:57 AM



“ To the family of Mrs Ruth,
*I am very sorry for your loss. Losing someone you love is never easy. May God put his arms around you and give you comfort today and in the days to come.
You are in my thoughts and prayers,
God bless,
Crystal T. Minnehan & Family##imported-begin##crystal minnehan##imported-end##*

March 28, 2008 at 09:58 AM



“ Debbie: *All my love & Prayers are with you. I know exactly how you feel, but God will comfort you and see you through. Ruth and i hung around together for almost a yr. I truly did love her.
Sarah##imported-begin##Sarah W Mobley##imported-end##*

March 28, 2008 at 09:42 AM



“ Fred and family, so sorry to learn of your mother's passing. She was a special lady. She and my mother and my mother's sister had so many good times down at the beach over the years. Will keep you in my prayers.

Jill###imported-begin##Jill Lyles##imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 09:40 AM



“ Debbie ... Know that you are being lifted up in prayer by you Trinidad family in Laurens. Our mothers are so special ... I just lost my Mother last Friday and am experiencing the comfort of prayers, friends and great memories. David & Maritom Hardy###imported-begin##David & Maritom Hardy##imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 08:14 AM



“ Debbie,

I am sorry to hear about you Mom. Although I did not know her personally, I do know she had a great personality which she passed on to you. May God bless and keep you and your family in the coming days.

Betty Bradshaw Gainey###imported-begin##Betty Bradshaw Gainey##imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 07:30 AM



“ Dear Jim and Debbie,
My thoughts are with you at this difficult time. Your mother was a very sweet lady. I enjoyed talking with her when Bobby would visit Jim when he worked at Stingray in the eighties. She always had a smile.

Sincerely,
Mandy Tyner##imported-begin##Mandy Tyner##imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 10:33 PM



“ Debbie, Jim, Fred:

I am so very saddened to hear about Ruth. She was a true friend to me and we had such good times over the years together. I loved her very much!! She loved her family so very much and was so proud of each of you. She will certainly be missed. May God bless each of you through the difficult days ahead.

Please know that my prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Betty Anne McAlpine##imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 10:19 PM



“ My deepest sympathy goes to all of Mrs. Ruth's Family. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers in the days ahead. As you travel through your journey of grief, may you find comfort in your memories and the love you each share.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Skinner-Fulmer & Family##imported-begin##Rebecca Skinner-Fulmer##imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 09:57 PM



“ On behalf of the staff of Agape Hospice of the Pee Dee, please know that we are so very sorry for your loss and want to express our heartfelt sympathy during this time. Mrs. Cato will be greatly missed. Our staff will miss visiting her, for she was a wonderful patient and we thank you for allowing us to serve and be a part of your family. Remember this earth is not our home, we are only passing through as we travel life's journey! So many are praying for all of you and should you need us in any way, we are just a phone call away.
Sincerely, John Griggs -Agape Hospice of the Pee Dee##imported-begin##John Griggs##imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 09:46 PM



“ Debbie and Family, we are so sorry to hear of Ms. Ruth's passing. She was always such a character and will be missed. You and your family will be remembered in our prayers for strength and courage to face the coming days.##imported-begin##Claude and Wanda Stroud##imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 04:28 PM



“ Fred,
I am so sorry to hear of your mother's death. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Hoyt Campbell##imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 02:26 PM