



## Rosalie G. Lawrence

February 23, 1938 - June 6, 2021

Rosalie Griffin Lawrence, 83, beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, crossed peacefully through the heavenly gates on June 6, 2021. She spent her last days surrounded by family at her home in Tallahassee, FL.

Born in Rocky Mount, NC, as the youngest of 10 children of Hughel Leonard Griffin and Mary Ellie Callaway. She was raised from the age of 10 by her oldest sibling, Mary Dot Nugent and brother-in-law, Henry Clay Nugent. One of her proudest achievements was being the first and only of her siblings to graduate from high school. Along with her daughter, Lori, Rosalie attended clown college, graduating top of her class. They worked as professional clowns for many years with the Caloosa Clown Alley, bringing joy to all those they performed for.

In 1957, Rosalie married and was a devoted mother, raising 3 daughters to be strong, resilient women. She was a talented seamstress, making her family's wardrobe by hand. Always the creative problem solver, she never let a good plastic jug go to waste.

Rosalie retired from Sprint on May 1st, 1997, where she worked as a Directory Assistance Operator and Customer Service Representative for 18 years and 4 months. In her later years, she enjoyed gardening, puzzles, and watching her favorite daily soap opera, *The Young and the Restless*. Rosalie most of all loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who lovingly referred to her as Grammie.

Rosalie was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Ellie Lavinia Lawrence. Memories of Rosalie will be treasured by her sister, Peggy Brower; children: Cathy Sellers, Tammy Dotson and her husband Joe, and Lori Kirkwood; 5 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren, and anyone else who was lucky enough to get the chance to know her. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 PM, Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at MeadowWood Memorial Park, 700 Timberlane road, Tallahassee, Florida. Todd Wahlquist with Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193, <http://www.bevisfh.com>) is assisting the Lawrence family with their arrangements.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**MeadowWood Memorial Park**  
700 Timberlane Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL, 32312

**JUN**  
**8**

**Graveside Service**

02:00PM

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700 Timberlane Rd., Tallahassee, FL, US, 32312

# Comments

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“ Cathy, Lori, and Tammy I am so sorry to learn of Aunt Rose’s passing. I know this is such a heartbreaking time for all of you. Share your sweetest memories with each other. My fondest memories of Aunt Rose were when I was young and spending summers at grandmama’s on the farm. She would take me and Russell, Jr for a weekend sleepover and it would be drive in movies and popcorn. (This is a secret... an occasional puff from her cigarette. lol) Then we had a really big surprise one summer. Our own live Chatty Cathy that she let us hold and feed. We weren’t quite ready for diaper changes. Time hasn’t changed my love for her and all of you. All of you are in my prayers as you journey through your loss.

**Gail Lawrence Banks** - June 08 at 03:29 PM

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“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Rosalie G. Lawrence.



June 08 at 10:31 AM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rosalie G. Lawrence.



June 08 at 09:56 AM