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Doris Parkman Rochester, a woman of extraordinary spirit and resilience, passed away peacefully on April 29, 2026, in Carrollton, Georgia, having graced this world for a remarkable 100 years. Born on March 7, 1926, in East Point, Georgia, Doris's century of life was defined by her unwavering strength, her profound dedication to her family, and a wonderful zest for life.

A proud piece of American history, Doris served her country as a "Rosie the Riveter" during World War II, a true testament to her fierce independence, capability, and patriotism. She later channeled that same diligent work ethic into her professional life as a dedicated secretary at Carroll Tire, where she made lasting contributions through her steadfast commitment and professionalism.

Doris's interests and hobbies were as vibrant and colorful as her personality. She was an avid bowler, finding immense joy, laughter, and camaraderie playing in a local league with her dearest friends and eagerly traveling to compete in tournaments. During her quieter moments, she could often be found thoroughly enjoying what she affectionately called her "junk books" happily snagged from the grocery store checkout line. To keep her mind sharp as a tack, she loved diving into word find books, always ready to conquer the

next puzzle.

Family was the true cornerstone of Doris's life. She is now joyfully reunited in passing with her beloved husband, Woodrow Earnest Rochester; her parents, Frank Sloan Parkman and Clara Estes Parkman and her six brothers and sisters; her son and daughter-in-law, Ernie and Janie Rochester; her son, Gary Rochester; and her son-in-law, Jerry Cantrell.

Her beautiful legacy of love lives on through her devoted daughter, Connie Rochester Cantrell. She was the proud and cherished grandmother to Marty Rochester (Christy), Stephen Cantrell, Nicholas Rochester (Lauren), and Lewis Rochester (Kelsey), and a great-grandmother to Autumn Clower (Chandler), Jacob Rochester, Conner Rochester and her great-great grandson Beckham Clower.

A celebration of Doris's vibrant 100 years will be held on Friday, May 1, 2026, at 10:00 AM in the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home, with Mr. Nicholas Rochester officiating. She will be laid to rest following the service at Holly Hill Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to your favorite charity in loving memory of Doris. She will be dearly missed, but remembered always for her unwavering strength, her dedication to those she loved, and the beautiful, joyful spirit she brought into the world.

Cemetery Details

Holly Hill Memorial Park

359 W. Broad Street
Fairburn, GA 30213

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY 1. 10:00 AM.

Parrott Funeral Home Chapel

Tribute Wall



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Parrott Funeral Home - May 01 at 08:19 AM

DB

We the Barry family grew up in Stonewall Ga. and I remember how beautiful and sweet Mrs. Rochester was and her daughter Connie was just like her and her son Ernie was so cool and athletic as my brothers and he were all great ball players. Life was so special back then. God blessed us all.

Dan Barry - May 01 at 07:10 PM

JY

I didn't know your mother Connie, but I am blessed to know you for so many years. Your mother was very blessed, living until she was 100 years old. That's absolutely amazing! I am so very sorry, Connie, that she's gone. I know your heart is broken, because in most families, only God loves His children more than a mother does. God bless you and all your family!
Jerry Yates

Jerry T. Yates - May 02 at 07:46 PM



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Parrott Funeral Home - April 30 at 01:33 PM

AV

What a blessing to live to be 100! Hope that even her last years were good ones. I am a Parkman by birth. Daughter of Serrano Parkman Jr and Dorothy Nabors Parkman. My father, was born in Columbus GA in 1905, son of Serrano Parkman Sr and Mariana (Molly) Upshaw. I'd love to hear from other Parkmans if any have done any work on ancestry. I've done quite a bit but there seems to be many Serrano (spelled in many ways).

We'll be praying for the family tomorrow as you lay her to rest.

Ann Parkman Verlander

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Ann Verlander - April 30 at 03:13 PM

JR

“ *Deepest sympathy to you. She had a remarkable life, 100 years old. I knew Mrs. Rochester, since a young girl, having grown up in Stonewall and being good friends, with Ernie. We went first to 12th grade, together, riding the school bus together.*

Judy Scarbrough Rivers - April 30 at 10:40 AM



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