

## Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson

October 1, 1936 - December 10, 2025

Erma Wagoner Dickerson (“Nanny”) of Haralson, GA passed away in the comforts of her home on Wednesday, December 10, 2025. She entered her eternal rest after a remarkable 89 years of life on earth.

Erma was born in Burlington, North Carolina on October 1, 1936 to her parents, Jesse and Ruby Wagoner. Born fifth out of six children, she was the apple of her daddy’s eye; a daddy’s girl on all accounts.

At only 17 years old, Erma met William Garland Dickerson, Jr. She and his sister, Shirley Anne, were good friends at the time. It was love at first sight and the two were married a short time later in their hometown of Burlington on June 5, 1955. They celebrated 70 grace-filled years together this past summer. Erma and William were blessed with 2 children, 6 grandchildren, and 6 great grandchildren.

Erma lived a quiet life committed to trusting and serving her Lord. She adored being a homemaker and couldn’t wait to have children. Even after hers were grown with families of their own, she had a special way with kids and loved spending time with those in her family, her church, her neighborhood, and the ones she watched in her home on a regular basis. Erma’s precious, magnetic personality blessed adults and children of all ages. It was not uncommon to find her with a baby on her hip or sitting cross-legged on the floor playing with

children among a pile of toys. Erma's inner child-likeness flourished all of her days.

Although petite in stature, Erma's heart was big. She truly delighted in caring for others. Cooking, cleaning, and porch sitting were some of her favorite hobbies and ways to spend her time. She always looked forward to gathering with her family, as well as with those outside of her immediate family she would claim as her own. The last 10 years of her life were spent in a home shared with her husband, daughter, and son-in-law in Haralson, GA. There, you would find her cheering on her Braves, snuggled under her favorite blankets, snapping beans from her daughter's garden, and watching birds who visited her beloved bird feeders. Erma also loved getting her nails painted regularly and listening to her daughter read books aloud each day.

Erma would want to be remembered for the ways God's character is reflected in her own. She trusted Him deeply and loved Him most. She would want it to be known that in God alone her joy was ultimately found, and no one cared for her like Jesus did.

Erma Wagoner Dickerson is preceded in death by her father, Jesse Lee Wagoner; her mother, Ruby Bailey Wagoner; her sisters, Lib (Elizabeth) Cannon, Lou (Mary Louise) Coble, Dot (Dorothy Mae) Hall, Doris Fields; her son-in-law, Stanley Don Smith; her grandson, Terry Hardin; her great grandson, Clay Hardin.

Erma is survived by her husband, Willam Garland Dickerson, Jr; son, Bruce Lee Dickerson (Jennifer); daughter, Sharon Smith Boyd (George III); her younger brother, Jay Lee Wagoner; grandchildren, Shannon Smith Hardin, Meagan Ruth Dickerson (Kevin), George Rellie Boyd IV (Rachel), Davis Riley Dickerson (Yancey), William Roland Dickerson, and Lee Ryland Dickerson; great grandchildren, Mitchell Wayne Lewis, McKenzie Smith (Ross), Nolan

Dorsey Dickerson, Cooper Rellie Dickerson, Chaz Hardin and Dodge Randall Dickerson (due in February, 2026).

A funeral service to honor Erma's life will be held on December 14, 2025, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home. Family and friends are invited to gather for visitation one hour prior to the service.

Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson will be laid to rest immediately following the service at Holly Hills Memorial Cemetery in Fairburn, GA.

# Cemetery Details

## Holly Hill Memorial Park

359 W. Broad Street  
Fairburn, GA 30213

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
8355 Senoia Road  
Fairburn, GA 30213  
(770) 964-4800  
info@parrottfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.parrottfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 14. 2:00 PM.

Parrott Funeral Home Chapel

# Tribute Wall



“ *Parrott Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson*



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**Parrott Funeral Home** - December 14, 2025 at 01:44 PM



“ *Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson*

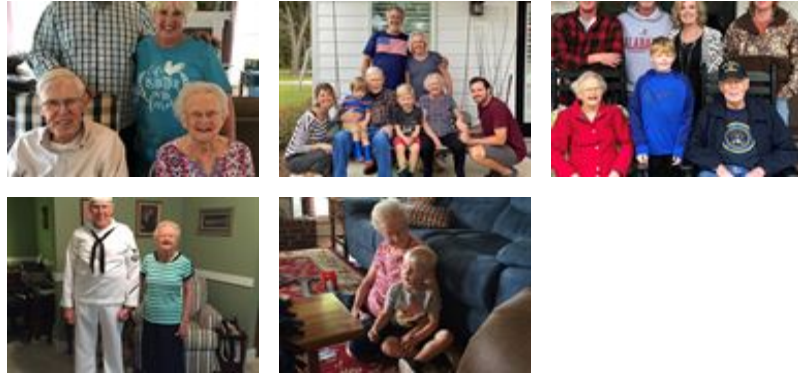


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**Parrott Funeral Home** - December 12, 2025 at 04:17 PM



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Parrott Funeral Home - December 14, 2025 at 10:24 AM

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*How I loved Mr. Willie Mrs. Erma. Bruce and Sharon. We lived across the street from them in Fairburn for several years. They were our family as well. Mrs. Erma always had games and chalk for us to write on the street with. She would always play with us kids. We all lost contact over the years but I never forgot any of them. I wished I had known how to contact someone so I could've kept in touch. I truly have missed them. If any family sees this please reach out to me here. Would love to see Mr. Willie Sharon and Bruce. Bruce always was on his motorcycle. I remember.  
Tony Nave*

Tony Nave - December 15, 2025 at 09:00 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson.



December 13, 2025 at 01:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson.*



December 13, 2025 at 04:47 AM



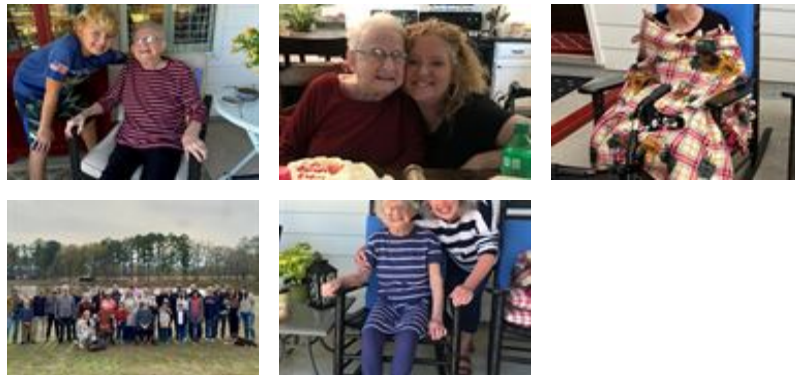
“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson.*



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**Parrott Funeral Home** - December 12, 2025 at 03:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson.*



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December 12, 2025 at 03:25 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson.*



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December 12, 2025 at 03:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson.*



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December 12, 2025 at 01:36 PM

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“ *II Corinthians 5:8*

*“We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.”*

*One day soon enough, all the saints of all the ages shall be home with our Lord Jesus Christ !*

*May these Biblical realities - fixed and sure, be remembered by every saint of the Lord God!*

*Brother Rick  
Peachtree Baptist Church*

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**Brother Rick** - December 12, 2025 at 10:40 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album Erma Gail Wagoner Dickerson*



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**Brad Blanton** - December 12, 2025 at 10:00 AM

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with ya'll during this difficult time.  
Love Susan Whatley and family*

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**Susan Whatley** - December 11, 2025 at 08:18 PM