



Retha Harris Payton

July 20, 1955 - May 25, 2020

Ms. Retha Harris Payton, age 64, of McDonough, GA passed away Monday, May 25, 2020. She is survived by her son, Kenneth and his girlfriend, Deirdre Harris, of McDonough, GA; daughter, Brianna Miller and her husband, Joseph, of Cleveland, GA; parents, Loy and Barbara Eidson Harris; brother, Michael Harris and his wife, Carla; grandchildren, Ian, Leiland, Ashlynn; nieces, Crista Kessinger, Heather Hamrick (Michael) and her children, Parker and Keaton. A graveside service will be held Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 2 o'clock at Holly Hill Memorial Park with Preacher Greg Morris Officiating. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at www.parrottfuneralhome.com. The family will receive friends (limited occupancy- 10 people at a time) Thursday afternoon from 12:00 until 1:30 at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory, 770-964-4800.

Cemetery Details

Holly Hill Memorial Park

359 W. Broad Street
Fairburn, GA

Previous Events

Graveside

MAY 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Fairburn, GA

Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Retha Harris Payton



Parrott Funeral Home - May 27, 2020 at 09:23 AM

AM

“ I am so sad she died I am her granddaughter I miss her so much I only got six years with her . My name is Ashlynn Ruth miller

Ashlynn miller - January 18, 2022 at 10:09 AM

LT

“ Linda Harris Thigpen lit a candle in memory of Retha Harris Payton



Linda Harris Thigpen - May 28, 2020 at 10:44 AM

CS

“ I am sorry to hear of Retha’s passing. She was such a strong, courageous person. May all her family find peace and comfort in sweet, happy memories and knowing that she is healed now. Love you all. Cheryl Smallwood

Cheryl Smallwood - May 28, 2020 at 10:27 AM

DM

“ Sorry to hear of your family's loss.
Condolences to your family! Rest in peace
Retha...

*Diane Martin,
Griffin, GA*



Diane Martin - May 28, 2020 at 06:13 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Retha Harris Payton.*



May 27, 2020 at 02:58 PM

EC

“ *Words cannot express how special Retha was to me and my family.
Such a beautiful soul with a great sense of humor. A fierce fighter
for her family whom she loved so very much. She was my sweet
southern lady friend who I could have a conversation with for hours.
Until we see each other again in heaven may she rest and keep the
watch over all of us. Much love and prayers to Kenneth , Brianna,
Mr & Mrs Harris and family.*

Eileen Cox - May 27, 2020 at 02:37 PM

AM

“ *My long time friend Rita Payton we work together we have fun together so my friend rest in peace I always love you*



Angela McMillian - May 27, 2020 at 11:55 AM

DP

“ *Denson Payton lit a candle in memory of Retha Harris Payton*



Denson Payton - May 27, 2020 at 11:52 AM

DS

“ *Loy, Barbara, and Family,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your daughter Retha. Sending hugs and Deepest Sympathies to you. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Donna Stewart

Donna Stewart - May 27, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ 50 files added to the album LifeTributes



Parrott Funeral Home - May 27, 2020 at 09:20 AM

DE

*She showed me how to play scrabble when she lived in the old farm house. She was always very kind to me. I am so sorry she is gone.
Dwain E. Eidson*

Dwain Eidson - May 27, 2020 at 09:36 AM

CN

I am just now seeing this 12/14/2022. Writing this with tears in my eyes. I wonder where the time went and why I did not stay in touch. So many regrets now. Retha was a very good friend of mine in high school. Life got in the way and we lost touch. I will never forget her and will remember what a good person she was to me. Rest in peace my friend. Cathy Nelson 12/14/2022

Cathy Shields Nelson - December 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM

DC

“ Loy, Barbara, Mike: my heart goes out to you! Your family is so very special to me! We send our love and heartfelt sympathy. Please know that we are praying for God’s compassion and peace for you during this difficult time. We all have very fond memories of each other from Buffington Road days! From Larry & Denise (Westbrook) Coleman

Denise Coleman - May 27, 2020 at 09:10 AM

LG

“ I have fond memories of Retha from high school. Driving to Drill Team Camp with Retha, singing Take Me Home, Country Roads over and over! I remember her sweet smile and her kindness. Prayers for peace and comfort.

Lynne Maddox Grooms - May 27, 2020 at 08:42 AM

CS

“ So sad to hear this. Retha was one of my very first friends ever. I always tried to finagle an invite to her house after Sunday church and would end up spending the night. We wore out Buffington Road, walking up and down from our house to her house. I learned to eat grits at their house. I think I slurped my first ice-cold Coke from a bottle with Retha. She introduced me to my first taste of so much fun rock 'n roll music. Rest In peace, Retha. May your family feel the arms of Jesus around you.

Cindy Schade - May 26, 2020 at 08:35 PM

BA

“ Loy, Barbara, and Mike, I am so sorry for your loss. I have many fond memories of you all around your dinner table and playing out in the woods behind your house with Mike and Retha. I am sending love to you from Tennessee. Becky Jarrett Allsop

Becky Jarrett Allsop - May 26, 2020 at 08:27 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Retha Harris Payton.*



May 26, 2020 at 06:50 PM



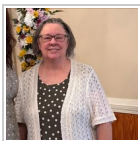
“ *I have many fond memories. Easter egg hunts, family reunions and Christmas's with the family. I will always cherish all of these special occasions. Rest In Peace. Joyce Kirchner*

Joyce Kirchner - May 26, 2020 at 06:41 PM



“ *Michael, I'm so sorry to hear of Retha's passing. At school, she always seemed to have a smile on her face. She was indeed a sweet and caring person. My prayers are with you and your family. Scott Davis*

Scott Davis - May 26, 2020 at 06:03 PM



“ *Susan Tuggle lit a candle in memory of Retha Harris Payton*



Susan Tuggle - May 26, 2020 at 05:45 PM

SB

“ Sue BradberryWenger lit a candle in memory of Retha Harris Payton



Sue BradberryWenger - May 26, 2020 at 04:39 PM

KW

“ Although we are saddened by your passing, we rejoice in knowing your pain has ended. You fought bravely for so long and you always managed to give us a smile. We will miss you Retha.



Tim, Karenda, Kirk, & Clay

Karenda Willson - May 26, 2020 at 03:23 PM

LM

“ Lora Mccullough lit a candle in memory of Retha Harris Payton



Lora Mccullough - May 26, 2020 at 03:16 PM