# Ruth Irene Vance-Johnson

April 20, 1934 - January 4, 2017

Ruth Irene Vance-Johnson, 82 of Gatesville, Texas went to be with the Lord on January 4, 2017. Graveside services will be conducted on January 28, 2017 at 2:00 pm at Hillsdale Cemetery in Izoro, Texas. Ruth was born on April 20, 1934 to William Lonnie Combs and Carrie Mae Lambert. Ruth grew up in North Wilkesboro, N.C. and later moved to Gatesville in 1999. Ruth enjoyed crocheting, embroidery, singing, spending time with family and friends, and talking about the Lord and The Bible. Ruth is preceded in death by her husbands: Rev. Henry R. Vance; Rev. Eddie Perry Johnson. She is also preceded in death by her parents, 10 brothers, 1 daughter- Cheryl Rogers, 1 son- Dennis Vance, 1 step daughter- Jennie Vance. Ruth is survived by 7 children; Katrina Perry, husband Loyd of Gatesville, Texas; Jeffrey Vance, wife Cynthia of Gladewater, Texas; Cynthia “Cindy” Newhall of Bertham, Texas; Nancy Johnson, husband Claudio “J.R.” of Waco, Texas; James “Mike” Vance, wife Angela of Gatesville, Texas; Jeanne Dotson of Euless, Texas; Linda Day, husband Donald of Bedford, Texas; step children- Gerana Vance of Alabama; Barbara Casper, husband Everett of Eddy, Texas. Ruth is also survived by 21 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren, 3 step grandchildren, 9 step great grandchildren. Also a special mention of Teal and Tonya Mesmer who although were no relation she considered them both as her grandchildren.

# Tribute Wall

*Ruth Irene Vance-Johnson*

October 05, 2023 at 10:58 AM

*Ruth Irene Vance-Johnson*

October 04, 2023 at 06:25 PM

*Ruth Irene Vance-Johnson*

September 26, 2023 at 10:57 PM

Megan Kennedy

*Ruth was my great Aunt and while I never knew her, she sounds like she was loved by her close family. Rest In Peace.*

**Megan Kennedy** - February 09, 2017 at 09:08 AM

AV

*Ruth was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great, great grandmother. She will be missed. She is dancing on the streets of glory with our Lord and all of her loved ones. The Bible tells us "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."*

*We all loved her dearly. She was an inspiration to all that she met. She always was willing to pray with you or for you.*

*This is to all of those that don't believe that there is a heaven.*

*As she was passing from this life to her eternal life she told us, "I can see the angels all around my bed." Then she looked up and said, "You told me that you would be here." There was no one standing at that spot in the room that we could physically see but she could see them.*

*This is just a few of the things that she shared with us to give us Hope that we to can make it to heaven.*

**Angela Vance** - January 22, 2017 at 04:08 PM

JW

*Thank you for sharing this treasure. I was privileged to meet and pray with your sweet mother-in-law this summer and can see her glowing smile especially now. Love and hugs!*

**Jo Weller** - January 28, 2017 at 10:27 PM

NS

*Hi, I did not know this lady, but in doing some genealogy research of my family I came across her obituary. She would have been my 2nd cousin1x removed. I am related through her grandmother Sarah Lambert Minton. It is sad that we never had to chance to know each other. Please accept my sympathy*

**Nina Soots** - February 25, 2017 at 04:53 PM