



## Ruth Anna Garman

November 11, 1933 - January 26, 2023

Mrs. Ruth Anna Garman

Ruth Anna Garman, “Nancy”, 89 of Manassas, Virginia passed away at home surrounded by her family on January 26, 2023.

Ruth was born in St. Lawrence, PA November 11, 1933. She was raised in Reading, PA.

In her early life, Ruth began her first career as a seamstress in the Temple Sportswear Wide Awake Shirt factory. The sewing skills she gained from this job she would carry with her throughout her entire life and were passed down to many of her children and grandchildren. Ruth also frequently modeled and was featured in The Reading Eagle newspaper in fashion shows for modeling fur coats. In between working, she helped take care of her siblings, and when she could, she loved to go dancing and to play cards with friends. She was always on the go, involved in several ventures at once to keep herself busy. But above all, Ruth was a loving wife of 64 years to Samuel James Garman, a United States Marine Corp Korean War Veteran. They met in PA when Sam and his mom moved next door to Ruth and her mother. It didn't take long for them to start courting and to fall in love, which turned into a 64 year marriage. When they retired from the military, they moved to Manassas in 1962.

Ruth worked for the School Systems as a cook while raising their 6 children, and then Ruth began her second career with The Hecht Company, selling big ticket items. She loved that job. When she eventually retired from Hecht

Company, she spent several years in the new phase of her life as a grandmother and spent most of her time watching her grandchildren grow, on top of participating in her many card groups and bowling teams.

In time, Ruth and Sam retired in Mt. Jackson, Virginia in 1990. During her time in Mt. Jackson, Ruth became an active member of St. John Bosco Catholic charity, helping the less fortunate. Ruth also was a member of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary affiliated with Posts 199 and 10 for 22 years. Ruth was proud to be an active and consistent member of the community, volunteering to work food drives, holiday gift giving for the less fortunate, and volunteered with the local Veterans Administration.

Ruth was a beautiful woman inside and out. She was vibrant, determined, independent, strong, had a great sense of humor, and until her last moment, remained very young at heart. Ruth loved bowling, playing cards, rabbits, family celebrations, bingo, and crossword puzzles.

Married to Samuel James Garman for 64 years, she was an amazing and adored wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She is survived by six children: Ronald, Dennis, Mark, Jill, Gail, and BethAnn, sixteen grandchildren and twenty-two great grandchildren.

Not many can say they were Best of Friends with their Mother, but we can.

# Cemetery Details

## Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Rd  
Triangle, VA 22172-1636  
(703) 221-2183

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Sommerset Team purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



**The Sommerset Team** - February 08, 2023 at 11:22 AM

PA

“ *So many years and times of laughter  
I will hold the memories in my heart.  
God will love your smiling face.*

**Patricia** - February 02, 2023 at 11:10 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for  
the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



January 31, 2023 at 08:38 PM

DW

“ *Mrs. Garman, you are an amazing lady. The  
few times i got to see you and talk to you  
were wonderful You always had a beautiful  
smile and was very nice. Prayers to the  
families of this amazing lady.*



**Deborah C Wood** - January 31, 2023 at 01:20 PM

JL

“ Jessica and Carlos Lopez purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



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**Jessica and Carlos Lopez** - January 31, 2023 at 11:28 AM

MK

“ Margie, Kimberly, Jessica, and kids purchased the *Rainbow Reflections Basket* for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



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**Margie, Kimberly, Jessica, and kids** - January 31, 2023 at 09:43 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



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January 31, 2023 at 09:06 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



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January 30, 2023 at 11:42 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



January 30, 2023 at 11:40 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



January 30, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Denise & Frank Bennett purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



**Denise & Frank Bennett** - January 30, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ *Sending our thoughts and prayers to our Garman family. Aunt Nancy will be missed.*

**Eric and Megan Howell** - January 29, 2023 at 01:43 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



January 29, 2023 at 01:38 PM



“ We will always cherish the memories of Aunt Nancy. I have very fond memories of our summer trips to Virginia as a child. Aunt Nancy taught me how to swim the best way she could, threw me in the pool and said “swim or drown” 😭 i will miss you!  
Love you Aunt Nancy,  
Darrin and Steph Hoffa

**Darrin A Hoffa** - January 29, 2023 at 07:31 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



January 29, 2023 at 07:21 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.



January 29, 2023 at 02:22 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



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January 28, 2023 at 10:10 PM



“ *She was the best mother in law to me. I loved calling her mom since I had known her since I was 16. I was a new wife at 17. She taught me so much. I will never forget her love. Until we meet again mom.*



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**Linda S Garman** - January 28, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ruth Anna Garman.*



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January 28, 2023 at 12:29 PM



“ *Ron, Dennis, Mark, Jill, Gail and Beth,  
I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom.  
She was such a sweet and loving lady who will be missed.  
by so many.  
I have so many memories of her and your dad and always  
looked at them as second parents on Lomond Dr.  
We are keeping you in our prayers at this hard time.  
and hope all your memories will give you some peace and comfort.*

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**Kevin & Alice O'Donnell** - January 28, 2023 at 09:55 AM