



## Ruth Ella Gossom

July 10, 1911 - February 9, 2015

Ruth Ella Gossom passed away on February 9, 2015 at the Gainesville Health and Rehab Center, Gainesville, VA at the age of 103. Ruth was born in the little hamlet of Waterfall, VA in 1911 and lived most of her life in Prince William County. She was preceded in death by her mother and father, Allie and Dora Gossom; 2 sisters Mary Smith and Nellie Sinclair and by 2 brothers Alton and Irvin Gossom.

She is survived by her 2 nieces Peggy Pickett Gardner of Haymarket, VA and Janice Gossom Garrett of Lanexa, VA; her nephew Rev. Charles Sinclair of Warrenton, VA and by several great and great great nieces and nephews and her only cousin Gillette Elder of Pamplin, VA.

Ruth operated the little country store in Waterfall for many years and became Post Mistress in 1942 until the Post Office closed in 1957. She would get up in the mornings and build a fire for the children waiting for the school bus so everyone would stay warm. You could shop and charge and no one was turned away.

Ruth had many hobbies through life, her poetry writings and learned to operate a computer at the age of 90.

She lived the life of good health and happiness. Joining the Antioch Baptist

Church in 1923 she was a devout Christian lady and lived her life in that spirit.

The family will greet friends from 1:00–2:00PM Saturday, February 14, 2015 at Antioch Baptist Church, 16509 Waterfall Road, Haymarket, Virginia where funeral services will be held at 2:00PM with Rev. Charles Sinclair and Rev. Dr. Billy G. Tatum officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Antioch Baptist Church Piano Fund c/o Antioch Baptist Church, P.O. Box 446 Haymarket, VA 20168.

# Cemetery Details

## Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery

16509 Waterfall Road  
Haymarket, VA 20169

# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

Antioch Baptist Church  
16509 Waterfall Road  
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## Service

FEB 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bob and I send prayers and our deepest sympathy to the family. We always enjoyed talking with Ruth after church when we attended Trinity Baptist Church. Bob and Martha Ann Duggar*

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**Bob and Martha Ann Duggar** - February 11, 2015 at 04:00 PM

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“ *Deborah McLucas lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ella Gossom*



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**Deborah McLucas** - February 10, 2015 at 09:04 PM