



Ruth Houston

October 20, 1953 - January 29, 2026

Ruth Louise Houston, 72, of Napoleon, Ohio, passed away on Thursday, January 29, 2026, at the University of Toledo Medical Center with her family by her side. She was born on October 20, 1953, at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, to her proud parents, the late Julian and Esther (Sattler) Bockelman. Ruth attended the Napoleon City Schools, graduating from Napoleon High School in 1972. Her adult working life was spent as a Licensed Practical Nurse, serving many years at Heartland of Waterville.

She was preceded in death by former husbands Paul R. McDougle and Richard G. Wiles.

She was the loving mother of Ryan (Laura) McDougle and Shannon McDougle who she supported with enthusiasm in all their endeavors. Ruth was the proud grandmother to Cody and Tyler McDougle.

Ruth was loved by her siblings: John A. Bockelman, Sarah (Wilbur) Oudman, and Mark Bockelman, and many nieces, nephews, and their families.

Friends and family will be received at Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, from 3:00-7:00 PM. Services will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at the same location. Internment will follow at the Glenwood Cemetery in Napoleon.

Memorials may be made to Let's Build Beds of Waterville, Ohio, in Ruth's memory.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

Napoleon, OH 43545

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rodenberger Funeral Home - Napoleon
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545

Service

FEB 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



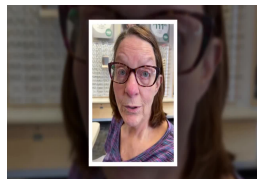
“ 1 file added to the album *Funeral Service*



Rodenberger Funeral Home - February 05 at 12:29 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *tribute video*



Rodenberger Funeral Home - February 04 at 09:19 AM

JS

“ *John, Debbie, Bella, Noah and Storm purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth Houston.*



John, Debbie, Bella, Noah and Storm - February 02 at 09:57 PM

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“ *John, Debbie, Bella, Noah and Storm planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Houston.*

John, Debbie, Bella, Noah and Storm - February 02 at 09:57 PM



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



February 02 at 06:54 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Ruth Houston.*



February 02 at 05:29 PM



“ *Defiance Lawn Care planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Houston.*

Defiance Lawn Care - February 02 at 05:29 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ruth Houston.*



February 02 at 11:25 AM

KF

“ Kelli Farrand planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Houston.

Kelli Farrand - February 02 at 11:25 AM

CJ

“ Cousin Carol and Charlie Johnston purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ruth Houston.



Cousin Carol and Charlie Johnston - February 01 at 01:45 PM

DL

“ Ruth was a great nurse, we worked together at a facility . She was day shift I was night. Stayed friends after, Thoughts and prayers to the family , she loved her kids dearly. Talked about grandkids was very proud. I will miss our texts and talks . 🙏😭



Deb Leavell - January 31 at 08:25 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Houston.



January 30 at 08:09 PM

FB

“ *For the love of my life: Butch planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Houston.*

For the love of my life: Butch - January 30 at 08:09 PM