



## Georgia Ann James Duke

September 23, 1935 - December 13, 2025

Funeral services for Georgia Ann James Duke will be held at 2:00 pm, Monday, December 22, 2025, in the Chapel of McWhorter Funeral Home with Brother Charles Johnson officiating. Private interment will follow at Little Mound Cemetery. The family will receive friends at 1:00 pm prior to the service.

Georgia Ann James Duke was born on September 23, 1935, in Gilmer, Texas, to Washington Sherman James and Nettie Lou Langford James. A bright and dedicated student, she graduated as Valedictorian of Harmony High School. Georgia went on to build a long and respected career at Gilmer National Bank, where she faithfully served her community for more than 20 years. She passed from this earth and went to be with her heavenly Father on December 13, 2025.

Georgia's life was deeply rooted in faith, family, and music. She was an active member of Little Mound Baptist Church, where she sang in "The Little Mound Quartet". Her love for gospel music led her to join "The Harmonettes," a beloved group that traveled throughout the East Texas area, sharing joy and inspiration through song. In her later years, Georgia became a devoted member of First Baptist Church of Gilmer, where she continued to share her musical gifts by singing in the senior choir. She cherished her Sunday School class and the fellowship it brought.

Georgia was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother whose gentle spirit and kindness touched everyone who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leslie Wayne Duke; her father, Washington Sherman James; her mother, Nettie Lou Langford James; her sister, Peggy Nell James; and her brother, Thedward Duane James.

She is survived by her son, Randy Duke, and his wife, Brenda, of Gilmer; her grandchildren, Brandon Duke and his wife, Ann, of Atlanta, Georgia; Britt Duke and his wife, Holly, of Waco, Texas; and Bryce Duke and his wife, Brittney, of New Braunfels, Texas. She is lovingly remembered by her seven great-grandchildren.

May her life, her love, and her song continue to echo in the hearts of all who were blessed to know her.

The family wishes to express their appreciation to Patricia Ray of the Autumn House, and Chambers Home Health and Hospice.

Pallbearers will be Brandon Duke, Britt Duke, Bryce Duke, Henry Duke, Ted James, Rick James, and Pete Herrmann.

Georgia's favorite bible verse: Colossians 3:16 "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

Please visit Georgia's online registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a memory for the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

McWhorter Funeral Home  
1074 St. Hwy 300  
Gilmer, TX 75645  
(903) 734-7070  
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## Service

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Georgia Duke Funeral Service



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**McWhorter Funeral Home** - December 22, 2025 at 05:56 PM

KL

“ I grew up in Little Mound Church listening to George Ann sing. She had the most beautiful voice and I thought she was so pretty. One of my fondest memories was during a candlelight service at a Christmas play. I was little and was in the play and she sang Oh Holy Night. It was the first time I had ever heard that song. It gave me chill-bumps! I never hear it now without thinking of George Ann!

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**Kelly Murphy Laminack** - December 21, 2025 at 09:14 AM

DJ

“ Dianne and Jim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Georgia Ann James Duke.

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**Dianne and Jim** - December 20, 2025 at 01:38 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Georgia Ann James Duke.



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December 20, 2025 at 01:38 PM

BR

“ Bonnie and Roger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Georgia Ann James Duke.

Bonnie and Roger - December 20, 2025 at 10:33 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Georgia Ann James Duke.



December 20, 2025 at 10:33 AM

TF

“ The team at Will Allan Law Firm planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Georgia Ann James Duke.

The team at Will Allan Law Firm - December 20, 2025 at 09:13 AM

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“ The team at Will Allan Law Firm purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Georgia Ann James Duke.



The team at Will Allan Law Firm - December 20, 2025 at 09:13 AM



“ 62 files added to the album Life Tributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - December 19, 2025 at 01:41 PM

TB

“ The Family of Garland Bullock purchased the Fair rest of All for the family of Georgia Ann James Duke.



The Family of Garland Bullock - December 18, 2025 at 12:14 PM

CO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Georgia Ann at the bank in the early 70's. She was one of the most kind and sweet ladies that I have known. Always had a smile on her face and that's how I will always remember her. Carol Loftis Ogea

Carol Loftis Ogea - December 18, 2025 at 10:01 AM

LJ

“ A loving lady who was very dear to me and my family. She sang in the Quartet, along with my Daddy, Ralph James, and her Brother, Duane James. I shall always remember our visit to Her Mother and Father’s home in Rhonesboro, Texas, to meet her new son, Randy.

*We love and cherish the entire family and will meet again one day!*

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**Linda Sue James** - December 15, 2025 at 03:32 PM

MB

“ Georgia’s life was and is a perfect example of love, compassion, contentment, joy and peace in Jesus! The moments Chuck and I shared with her will live on with us until we see her again in Heaven! She was just Lovely!

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**Marilyn Blanchard** - December 15, 2025 at 08:59 AM

CT

“ Charles and Lana Turner purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Georgia Ann James Duke.



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**Charles and Lana Turner** - December 14, 2025 at 03:02 PM

LB

“ My condolences on your loss of Georgia. She was a very sweet lady. Prayers for all her family and friends.



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**Linda Bond** - December 14, 2025 at 02:35 PM

RF

“ Rodney Wilson & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Georgia Ann James Duke.



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**Rodney Wilson & Family** - December 14, 2025 at 02:28 PM

BH

“ We have such fun memories of Georgia! She always made us smile. Vey sweet and loving person who will be missed greatly.

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**Becki Howard** - December 14, 2025 at 01:37 PM