



Rosa P. Ford

July 3, 1937 - December 28, 2025

Funeral services for Rosa P. Ford, 88, will be held at 2:00 pm, Wednesday, December 31, 2025, at Rosewood Baptist Church with Brother Michael Pool, Brother Steve Dugger, and Brother Charles Johnson officiating. Interment to follow at Rosewood Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Tuesday at McWhorter Funeral Home.

Rosa was born on July 3, 1937, in Rosewood, Texas, to George Clifton Pool and Cicely Bivens Pool and passed from this life on December 28, 2025, in Winnsboro, Texas.

Rosa married Frank Ford on April 8, 1956. She was the owner of Ford's Grocery for many years before her retirement. Rosa served as president of the Rebekahs, and she also laid the wreath at the tomb of the unknown soldier. She was a proud Avon saleswoman, and Possum Queen in Rhonesboro, Texas. She helped several children get scholarships, one of which was her great-grandchild. Out of all the things she did, her favorite job was being a wife, mother, and grandmother. She was a proud member of Antioch Baptist Church.

Those left to cherish her memories are her husband, Frank Ford; son, Larry Frank Ford; sister, Juanita Tyra; grandchildren, Crystal, Patricia, Jamie, Susan, Holly, and Megan; 17 great-grandchildren, and 8 great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Vicki Ford, in September 2025; siblings, Bernie, Johnny, Leona, and Joanna; great-grandson, Chase Gilliam; and great-great-grandchild, Zoe Hartfield.

Pallbearers will be Landon Gilliam, Blake Gilliam, Shane Gilliam, Gorden Litchfield, Joe Rodriguez, and Don Cox.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Antioch Baptist Church, 7391 Giraffe Rd., Gilmer, Texas 75644, or a charity of your choice.

Please visit Rosa's online registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory

for the family.

Cemetery Details

Rosewood Cemetery

8260 Arrowwood Rd.
Gilmer, TX 75644

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

McWhorter Funeral Home
1074 St. Hwy 300
Gilmer, TX 75645
(903) 734-7070
info@mcwhorterfh.com
<https://www.mcwhorterfh.com>

Service

DEC **31**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Rosewood Baptist
8260 Arrowwood Rd
Gilmer, TX 75644
<http://www.rosewoodbaptist.net>

Tribute Wall

MC

“ So sorry to hear of Rosa passing. She was always so nice to us when we were at the store. She will be missed

Mary Crone - January 03 at 12:50 PM

ST

“ What a beautiful and sweet lady. Frank and Larry im so sorry for your losses. I'm sure Vicki and my mom were there to greet her at heavens gates. Mom loved Ms Rose. She thought the world of your family. My prayers for you all.

Samira Taylor - January 01 at 03:07 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Rosa Ford Funeral Service



McWhorter Funeral Home - December 31, 2025 at 06:11 PM

SB

“ Patricia, Sally here, my husband woke up this morning very sick, dizzy and not sure what he ate that got to him, but I have not driven in a year and a half so we will have to miss the funeral tomorrow but just shut your eyes for a second and I will be right there.in your heart. Rosa knew how much I loved her and always will. Bobby and I both will be buried at Rosewood, so we will not be far from each other as it should be. Please stay in touch, SallyBGood1@gmail.com.

Sally Bradley - December 30, 2025 at 03:42 PM



“ 39 files added to the album Life Tributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - December 30, 2025 at 03:27 PM

PR

“ Grandma I love and miss you so much. You was my rock. You was the one person that was at every major event in my life. The one that was always there no matter what. Fly high grandma.



Patricia Rodriguez - December 30, 2025 at 12:05 AM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Rosa P. Ford.



December 29, 2025 at 03:03 PM

DZ

“ Drew, Jamie, Ramey, Macee & Zachary planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa P. Ford.

Drew, Jamie, Ramey, Macee & Zachary - December 29, 2025 at 03:03 PM