



Ruth Ann Gentry

June 8, 1961 - August 24, 2025

Ruth Ann was born on June 8, 1961, in Kansas City, Missouri, to Jerry and Jody Perry.

From an early age, she carried with her a spirit of kindness, resilience, and devotion to those she loved—qualities that defined her throughout her life.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Ruth Ann's life on Saturday, August 30, 2025, at Maple Hill Funeral Home. Visitation will be held from 9:00–11:00 AM, followed by a Celebration of Life service at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. She married Bruce Gentry, and together they built a home full of adventures, love, and laughter. Ruth Ann found her greatest joy in being a mother and later a grandmother. She dedicated many years as a stay-at-home mom, pouring her heart into raising her children. When her children grew older, she worked as a paraprofessional in the school system so she could remain close to them during the school day—a testament to her constant presence and devotion.

Ruth Ann cherished the simple pleasures of life. She loved being outdoors, soaking up the sunshine. She loved shopping whether it be for clothes, furniture, or gifts for others. She was a proud and spirited fan of the Kansas City Chiefs. Her excitement was contagious as she hosted family and friends to enjoy the games. More than anything, she treasured time spent with her children and grandchildren. Whether she was cheering from the stands, enjoying a family gathering, or sharing quiet moments at home, Ruth Ann

never missed an opportunity to be part of their lives.

She will be remembered for her deep love of family, her selflessness, and her ability to make everyone around her feel seen and valued. To her children and grandchildren, she was not just a mother and grandmother, but a best friend, confidant, and constant source of encouragement.

Ruth Ann leaves behind her loving husband, Bruce Gentry; her children, Annie Lee (Tanner), Harlie Gentry (Jordan Burgess), Gracie Gentry, and Marcos Ramirez; and her cherished grandchildren, Jessica Lee and Jentri Lee. She is also survived by her siblings, Vince Perry (Angela) and Sara Perry (John McLaury); along with many nieces, nephews, extended relatives, and dear friends who were like family to her.

She was welcomed into heaven by her parents, Jerry and Jody Perry; her daughter, Jessica Gentry; and her grandson, Maximus Mateo.

Though her passing leaves a void that cannot be filled, Ruth Ann's legacy of love, kindness, and devotion will live on in all who were blessed to know her.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 30. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
3300 Shawnee Dr
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 831-3345
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com
<https://maplehillfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

AUG 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Ann Gentry*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 29, 2025 at 04:07 PM

GM

“ *Graciela Duarte (Stephanie mom) purchased the Sunset Orange Mum (Silk Cemetery Flowers) for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



Graciela Duarte (Stephanie mom) - August 30, 2025 at 08:57 AM

GM

“ *Graciela Duarte (Stephanie mom) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.*

Graciela Duarte (Stephanie mom) - August 30, 2025 at 08:57 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.*

August 29, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



August 29, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



August 29, 2025 at 10:03 AM



“ *Mark and LouAnn Sauls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.*

Mark and LouAnn Sauls - August 28, 2025 at 09:46 AM



“ *Mark and LouAnn Sauls purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



Mark and LouAnn Sauls - August 28, 2025 at 09:46 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



August 27, 2025 at 02:58 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



August 27, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.*

August 27, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ *Bruce & family
So sorry to hear of Ruth Ann's passing! May
Ruth Ann rest in peace..*



Brenda (Harmon) Dollard - August 27, 2025 at 11:36 AM

BB

“ *Brittney Beck purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



Brittney Beck - August 26, 2025 at 11:48 PM

BA

“ *Brent and Billie Adams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.*

Brent and Billie Adams - August 26, 2025 at 09:58 PM

BA

“ *Brent and Billie Adams purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



Brent and Billie Adams - August 26, 2025 at 09:58 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.*

August 26, 2025 at 09:17 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.*



August 26, 2025 at 09:17 PM

DE

“ I’ve known Ruthann since 7th grade. We were cheerleaders together so we spent a lot of time together. She was one of the toughest gals I knew! Always dressed to the max with her high heels on. We had so much fun and made lots of wonderful memories together as a squad. I’m so sad of her passing but I know she has fought for so many years. Life has not been fair to her and her family and that makes me sad! Rest in peace Ruthie! You will be missed 🥹🙏💔💔💔

Delida - August 26, 2025 at 08:36 PM

WE

“ With love-Ernie, Michele, Emily&Jeremiah planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.

With love-Ernie, Michele, Emily&Jeremiah - August 26, 2025 at 08:09 PM

WE

“ With love-Ernie, Michele, Emily&Jeremiah purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.



With love-Ernie, Michele, Emily&Jeremiah - August 26, 2025 at 08:09 PM

LF

“ Love, the White/Croom/Morgan families! purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.



Love, the White/Croom/Morgan families! - August 26, 2025 at 07:45 PM

FF

“ Frank Burgess & family purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.



Frank Burgess & family - August 26, 2025 at 05:11 PM

TR

“ Ruth Ann comforted and encouraged our granddaughter during tearful lunch periods when Izzy, as a new kindergartener, missed having lunch with Gramma. It was a blessing to my heart to know that Ruth Ann was showing such care and compassion for our Izzy - it got Izzy through a tough time. Bruce, our thoughts and prayers will continue for you - I know she was the love of your life. The entire family will be held in our prayers.

Tim and Judy Richards - August 26, 2025 at 05:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.

August 26, 2025 at 03:35 PM

SC

“ Dear Sara and family, A cherished memory of Ruth Ann (Ruthie) that will always remain with us is the strength and grace with which she faced life’s journey. Even in times of trial, her faith never wavered, and her love for others shone brightly. Truly, she embodied the words of Scripture: “I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith” (2 Timothy 4:7). Her life was a testimony of courage, perseverance, and faith in God, and I am blessed to have walked part of that journey through prayer. Sara, your love for your sister is truly a reflection of Christ’s heart. The way you have stood by her, cared for her, and put her needs before your own is a beautiful picture of sacrificial love. It is rare to see such selflessness, and it speaks volumes about the depth of your character and the tenderness of your heart. May you always be strengthened and richly blessed for the love you so freely give.

Surya Charles - August 26, 2025 at 01:44 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.



August 26, 2025 at 12:13 PM

KH

“ Ruth Ann is one of the kindest souls I ever met. We both worked as Para’s for the same reason, to be close to and involved with our children. She was so easy to just sit and talk with for hours. You will truly be missed Ruth Ann. ❤️

Kelli Hernandez - August 26, 2025 at 11:42 AM

MB

“ Mike & Jamie Brown planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Ann Gentry.

Mike & Jamie Brown - August 26, 2025 at 11:05 AM

MB

“ Mike & Jamie Brown purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.



Mike & Jamie Brown - August 26, 2025 at 11:05 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Gentry.



August 26, 2025 at 10:59 AM