



## Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard

July 13, 1935 - July 31, 2021

Virginia Ruth Hilliard, 86, of Plant City, Florida, born in Fort Ogden on July 13, 1935, entered into eternal rest on July 31, 2021. She was a lifelong member of Church of the Nazarene. She is survived by husband of 70 years, James Hilliard, Sr.; children, James Hilliard, Jr. (Vicki) of Dayton, Ohio, Betty Messick (David) of Plant City, Deborah Cribbs of Plant City, and Dennis Hilliard (Amy) of Plant City; 13 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; siblings, Robert Beasley (Wendy), and Sue McNichol (Albert); and many nieces, nephews, family and friends. A funeral service will be held Thursday, August 5 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home 6005 South County Road 39, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. Graveside committal to follow at Oaklawn Cemetery, Plant City. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lifepath Hospice at [chaptershealth.org](http://chaptershealth.org). Expressions of condolence at [HopewellFuneral.com](http://HopewellFuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hopewell Funeral Home  
6005 County Road 39 South  
Plant City, FL 33567  
(813) 737-3128  
office@hopewellfuneral.com  
<http://www.hopewellfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

AUG 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Live-Streamed Service

AUG 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Facebook.com/HopewellFuneral  
[facebook.com/hopewellfuneral](https://www.facebook.com/hopewellfuneral)  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard



Hopewell Funeral Home - August 04, 2021 at 10:27 AM

BB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Bob and Wendy Beasley - August 05, 2021 at 10:49 AM

SJ

“ We will forever Hold your Beautiful Memories in our Hearts, We will miss you and Love you forever Rest in Eternal Peace Granny 🕊️🙏🕊️

Thank You for your Sweet & Unconditional Love Granny

Our Thoughts, Hearts and Prayers to all the Family & Friends of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard



Sonia & Jose - August 05, 2021 at 09:47 AM

WC

“ *Walden Lake Early Learning Center purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.*



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**Walden Lake Early Learning Center** - August 04, 2021 at 02:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.*



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August 04, 2021 at 11:53 AM

JH

“ *Ruth is gone from our sight , but never our hearts. She was such a special person. When the kids were young and we would visit, she would always have Cocoa Cocoa Krispies in the house for their breakfast - a treat for sure! She now has the opportunity to wrap her arms around her beloved grandson, Aaron. Hugs and kisses to you both.*

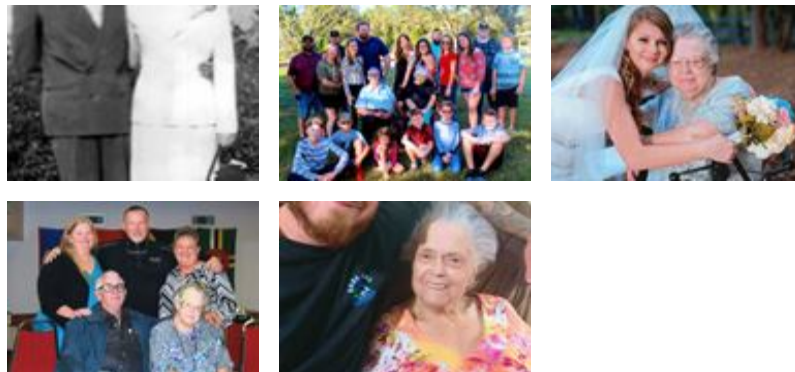
*Love, Peewee, Vicki, Holly & Harper*

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**Jim & Vicki Hilliard** - August 04, 2021 at 11:00 AM



“ 76 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Hopewell Funeral Home** - August 04, 2021 at 10:25 AM

CF

“ *Clinton, Tina and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.*



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**Clinton, Tina and family** - August 03, 2021 at 03:05 PM

RG

“ *Robert and Chris Gonzalez purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.*



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**Robert and Chris Gonzalez** - August 03, 2021 at 02:33 PM

MC

“ *My condolences to Mr. Jim and the family.  
She was an amazing person.* ”



Margaret Campbell - August 03, 2021 at 01:28 PM

LB

“ *Love Bob and Wendy Beasley purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.* ”



Love Bob and Wendy Beasley - August 03, 2021 at 12:17 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.* ”



August 03, 2021 at 06:08 AM

JM

“ *Jason Mattair lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard* ”



Jason Mattair - August 02, 2021 at 11:36 PM

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DC

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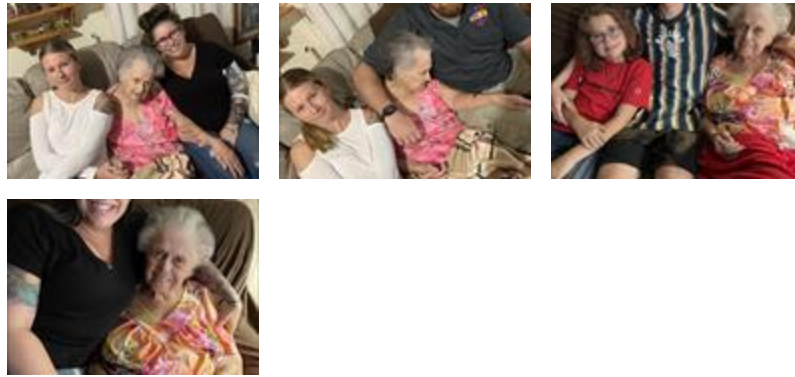


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**Debbie Cribbs** - August 02, 2021 at 10:19 PM

DC

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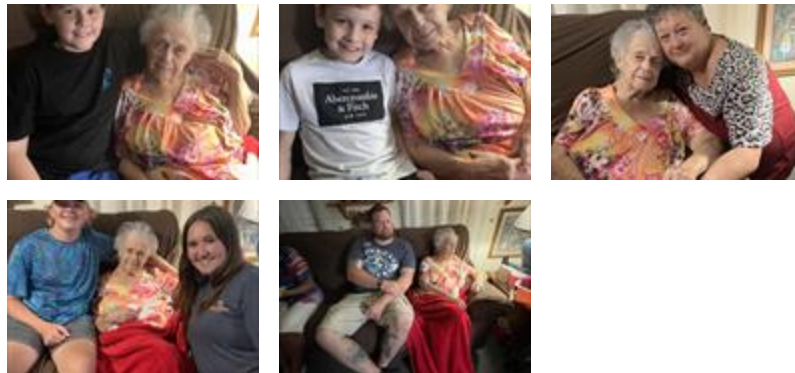


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**Debbie Cribbs** - August 02, 2021 at 10:18 PM

DC

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**Debbie Cribbs** - August 02, 2021 at 10:11 PM

BM

“ *Betty Messick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard*



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**Betty Messick** - August 02, 2021 at 10:07 PM

DH

“ *Dennis Hilliard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard*



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**Dennis Hilliard** - August 02, 2021 at 09:54 PM

DH

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**Dennis Hilliard** - August 02, 2021 at 09:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.*



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August 02, 2021 at 08:16 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Virginia Ruth Hilliard.*



August 02, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ *You will forever be my sunshine, love you mommy*

**Debbie Cribbs** - August 02, 2021 at 07:01 PM



*Remember love you always* ❤️

**Betty Messick** - August 02, 2021 at 07:32 PM



*Ma you were the best other mother, thank you for the years of your love and support... until we meet again I love you with my whole heart.  
Amy*

**Amy Hilliard** - August 02, 2021 at 07:53 PM



*Remember that one thing...*

**Dennis Hilliard** - August 02, 2021 at 09:58 PM