



# Rose Hayes Benton

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**M**emorial Service for Mrs. Rose Benton, 78, of Kellyton, will be Friday, August 9, 2024, at 11:30 am at the Chapel of Radney Funeral Home. Mr. Sammy Teel will officiate. The family will receive friends on Friday, August 9, 2024, from 9:30 am to 11:30 am at Radney Funeral Home.

Rose Benton, a beacon of love and wisdom, passed away surrounded by the warmth of her family, leaving behind a legacy of education, music, and unwavering spirit. She was a cherished member of her community and an inspiration to all who knew her.

Born into the loving arms of Denver Thaxton Hayes and Gladys Hodge Hayes, Rose developed a passion for music and learning that would define her life's work. Her educational journey culminated in a bachelor's degree in music from Judson College and a bachelor's degree in education from Auburn University at Montgomery. These accomplishments set the stage for a remarkable career that would touch the lives of countless students.

Rose dedicated over 30 years to educating young minds in the Coosa County and Alexander City school systems. Her commitment to education was not just a profession but a calling, as she nurtured the potential of every child who entered her classroom. Beyond the school walls, she was actively involved in various educational associations, advocating for the importance of lifelong learning and the arts.

Her love for her family shone brightly, especially in her role as a mother and grandmother. Rose is survived by her loving son, Brent Hayes Benton, and his wife, Leigh Ellen, of Alexander City, AL. Her grandchildren, Kennedy Elizabeth Benton, and Denver Curtis Benton were the apples of her eye, and she cherished every moment spent with them. Her adoration for her grandchildren was matched only by her love of the outdoors, where she found peace and rejuvenation.

Rose's life was a testament to the enduring power of love and wisdom. Her spirited



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nature was contagious, and she left an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing her. She was preceded in death by her father, Denver Thaxton Hayes, her mother, Gladys Hodge Hayes, and her beloved husband, James Curtis Benton. The love they shared continues to resonate in the memories of those who were part of Rose's journey.

The world has lost a truly loving and spirited soul, a wise guide who led by example and with grace. Rose Benton's melody will continue to resonate in the hearts of her loved ones and the community she so faithfully served. Her legacy is one of joy, learning, and the boundless love she gave to her family and students. She will be deeply missed, but her spirit will remain a guiding light for generations to come. The family requests no flowers or food contributions but will accept memorial contributions to the Kellyton Volunteer Fire Department, 377 Firehouse Road, Kellyton, AL, 35089.



## Tribute Wall

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JL

**Johnette Lamborne** posted:

Q: What will you miss most about Rose? A: I will miss her laughter the most! Our conversations that sometimes lasted for hours. Rose was the most caring person I've ever met and she always seemed to know what to say. Sometimes the things she did say would have you belly laughing till you were crying and telling her to stop! I'll miss that the most!! I'll cherish our friendship forever!! 🌹  
🌹 Until we see each again, I'll always remember how you made me smile!! Johnette

August 8 at 7:00 PM

LB

**Linda Guy Brewer** posted:

Rose was a special lady! She always said how she loved how my dad and mom would go down Tallapoosa River to visit with Curtis and her. When I was hired to teach at JP, she was so very helpful in helping me feel welcome. Always made learning fun for her 1st graders. Occasionally Elvis (Curtis) would call and her class would be so amused. A precious lady.

August 8 at 7:00 PM

WA

**Wendy Futral Anderson** posted:

My Mom (Virginia Futral) and I (Wendy F Anderson) send our deepest sympathies. Mom loved Rose and she loved Mom. My Mom was the only substitute she would allow to teach her class. She would take a week off and Mom taught the students all about the farm and honeybees. She came to my Dad's funeral in June. We love Mrs Benton! I always think of her when I hear a piano. No program at Kellyton would have happened without her.

August 8 at 7:00 PM

JS

**Jimmy Sanford** posted:

Thoughts and Prayers for the family and friends.

August 8 at 7:00 PM

SA

**Sandra** posted:

I will miss you sweet Rose. I thank the good Lord for such a thoughtful and kind spirited friend. May you rest well!

August 6 at 7:00 PM



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LH

**Linda Hardman** posted:

I grew up in Kellyton Baptist Church with Rose playing the music. She was a sweet lady. Sorry for your loss.

August 6 at 7:00 PM

LH

**Linda Hardman** lit a candle in honor of Rose.

August 6 at 7:00 PM



GH

**Glenda Howell** lit a candle in honor of Rose.

August 6 at 7:00 PM



AS

**Annette Spivey** lit a candle in honor of Rose.

So very sorry to hear about Rose. Her golf cart visits on McClellan Rd and her talks will definitely be missed 😞 Prayers for you Brent and the grands 🙏

August 5 at 7:00 PM



MP

**Marcalyn Price** posted:

Your sweet mother taught me piano during my first year at the brand new Jim Pearson School. She taught me for several years, and I loved her. She was a very kind and gentle piano teacher. I am now 68 years old and think of her often with fondness. So very sorry for your loss. I know you will miss your mother greatly. Praying for all of you during this time. Love, Marcalyn Goodman Price

August 5 at 7:00 PM

JR

**Jimmy E. Roberson** posted:

Knew Rose all my life. Brent I am so sorry for your loss. God bless you all.

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KT

**Kimberly Thornton** posted:

Q: What was one of your favorite qualities of Rose? A: I always loved it when she would be at the school she was a kind and favorite of mine. She will be missed by many.

August 5 at 7:00 PM

JF

**Joe & Susan Neighbors Family** lit a candle in honor of Rose.



August 5 at 7:00 PM

CL

**Connie Lashley** lit a candle in honor of Rose.



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CG

**Christine Gregg** posted:

I am so very sorry to hear about Rose. I was at her house one day last week but she wasn't there. I figured she had gone shopping. Rose was one of a kind. She was a beautiful person inside and out. She made me laugh lots of times with her unique humor. I remember when she was pianist at Kellyton Baptist, we went to Cacc together and I thoroughly enjoyed her friendship. My prayer for her family. Christine Gregg

August 5 at 7:00 PM

CL

**Connie Lashley** posted:

We sure are going to miss you Rose!!!

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JM

**Jessie Maxwell** posted:

An amazing woman with a heart of gold with a sweet spirit

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DM

**Dianne Moore** posted:

Brent, I'm so sorry to hear about your Mother. I've known her since HS. She played at our wedding , and her Mom did the flowers. She asked me to paint her a single rose. I did , and she would text me about how much she enjoyed it. She will be missed by so many people. Dianne H. Moore.

August 5 at 7:00 PM

DT

**Darlene Touart** posted:

Q: What will you never forget about Rose? A: I had the privilege of working with Rose for many years at Kellyton School. I will always remember her dedication to her students and how she wanted each one to have a the best learning experience in her classroom. Rose loved her students, her school, her church and her community. She was a precious friend. Tell meDarlene Touart

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Rose by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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