



Verna Johnson Russ

June 24, 1938 - September 5, 2025

Verna Johnson Russ, age 87 of Oxford, died Friday, September 5, 2025. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Russ; son, Andrew Vernon Russ; parents, Hallie & Beulah Burrow Johnson. She leaves to cherish her memories her daughter, Marilyn Longo; grandchildren, Chrissy & Speedy Gonzalez, Andrea Russ; great-grandchildren, Trinity (Robbie) Thibodoux, Kaylenn Gonzalez, Ireland Gonzalez, Eli Ertel, Luke Ertel, Isaac Ertel; brother & sister-in-law, Ervin & Linda Johnson; sister & brother-in-law, Phyllis & Larry Ertel. Verna was a generous & loving wife, mother, grandmother, who was devoted to her church. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Rockdale Community Church via their website, <http://rockdalecommunitychurch.org>, or mail, 2455 Old Salem Rd SE, Conyers GA, 30013.

Memorial service will be held Friday, September 12, 2025, at 1:00 PM at Rockdale Community Church with Pastor Butch Rumble officiating. The family will receive friends Thursday, September 11, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the funeral home. Condolences may be submitted online at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **11.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Service

SEP **12.** 1:00 PM (ET)

Rockdale Community Church
2455 Old Salem Road SE
Conyers, GA 30013

Tribute Wall

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“ I love you my dear precious friend. I will miss you greatly. We had so many good times together I will never forget. I praise God you are now happy with Jesus. I am praying for God's comfort for the family during this time.

Katrina Barnes - September 10, 2025 at 09:30 AM

JS

“ I am so sorry for your loss Marilyn. Thinking of you and your family during this difficult time !
Jamie Smith



Jamie Smith - September 10, 2025 at 08:57 AM

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“ Verna was a much loved part of the "Summer Sisters", a group of women that studied the Bible each summer for several years. Her quiet and calm spirit was always an inspiration. Our last gathering was April 2, 2025. We will miss our 'Sister' but praise Our Lord she is 'home'. Shirley Exum

Shirley Exum - September 10, 2025 at 08:28 AM



“ 48 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scot Ward Funeral Services - September 09, 2025 at 02:36 PM

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“ Verna and I worked together at Newton Medical many years go. First in Outpatient Department then with the Mobile Clinic. We became friends sharing not only work, but our life stories. Verna's strong faith supported mine. She loved her family and was a good friend.” We'll done good and faithful servent. “

Dorothy Robinson

Sorothy Robinson - September 08, 2025 at 03:29 PM

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“ Verna and I have been friends and spiritual sisters for decades. We have shared so many joys and sorrows always upheld by the Lord’s compassion and grace. We have laughed, cried, walked and studied together.

During our precious friendship, I learned of her deep commitment to family, friends and the Lord. She kept in touch with cousins for annual visits and with lifelong friends over many years. She touched many lives including high school students as a girl’s high school basketball coach in NC, as an educator in various roles and then in her 40s went to nursing school to become a nurse. She served as a nurse at Newton Medical Center, Riverside Health and Rehab Center and at several hospices in the area. She was a long term student involved in BSF and other Bible study groups as a life long learner.

Though I am saddened by her passing, I celebrate her life well lived and her current and forever presence with the Lord she loved and served.

Gena M Overstreet - September 08, 2025 at 01:30 PM