



Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton

May 21, 1932 - August 21, 2025

Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton, 93, of rural Tunnel Hill, Illinois passed away on Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 6:20 pm at her home.

Roma was born May 21, 1932 in Ozark the daughter of Dewey and Opal (McCuan) Ross. She married Charles Deaton on July 5, 1952 in Piggot, Arkansas and together they shared over 60 years of marriage until his passing on June 15, 2013.

Roma was a 1950 graduate of Vienna High School serving as the Vice President of her graduating class. She was a longtime member of the Reynoldsburg Church and she had a servant's heart. She was an excellent cook, growing her own vegetable garden. Roma treasured most the time spent with her family.

Survivors include her children; Debra Banks, Chuck (Donna) Deaton, Jennifer Deaton all of Tunnel Hill, Sheila (Gerald) Ford of Ozark. Six grandchildren; Rachel (Adam) Anderson, Ashley (Luke) Schultz, Melissa Miller, Josh (Aerial) Ford, Chase Deaton, Emily (Tucker) McCormick. Ten great grandchildren; Bowen, Landry, Cale, Madison, Melaina, Mason, Nolan, Daxton, Roman and Rhett.

In addition to her parents and husband, Roma is preceded in death by her

Brother - C.D. Ross, Sister - Florence Simmons and Son-in-law Leland Banks.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, August 23, 2025 at 11 am at Reynoldsburg Cemetery, 1065 Reynoldsburg Road, Ozark, IL 62972. Brother David Nelson, Brother Greg Wooten and Brother Gary Graves officiating. Those attending the graveside are invited to gather at the cemetery at 10:45 am Saturday.

Memorials may be made to Reynoldsburg Cemetery, %Bob Harper, 30 Harpertown Lane, Tunnel Hill, IL 62972 and Hospice of Southern Illinois, 204 Halfway Road, Marion, IL 62959.

Cemetery Details

Reynoldsburg Cemetery

1065 Reynoldsburg Road
Ozark, IL 62972

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

Reynoldsburg Cemetery
1065 Reynoldsburg Road
Ozark, IL 62972

Tribute Wall

RJ

“ *Randy(Rabbit) Jackson lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Randy(Rabbit) Jackson - August 29, 2025 at 03:28 AM

JH

“ *Jerry Hawkin lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Jerry Hawkin - August 24, 2025 at 08:16 PM

JC

“ *Jacque Craig lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Jacque Craig - August 23, 2025 at 05:04 PM

BR

“ *Bill And Debbie Rigsby lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Bill and Debbie Rigsby - August 23, 2025 at 04:57 PM

PB

“ *Patsy Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Patsy Blankenship - August 23, 2025 at 11:43 AM

LT

“ *Larry Trover lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



larry trover - August 23, 2025 at 10:54 AM

FH

“ *Frederick And Betty Heaton lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Frederick and Betty Heaton - August 23, 2025 at 10:46 AM

MH

“ *Martha Henshaw-Crane lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Martha Henshaw-Crane - August 23, 2025 at 10:01 AM

JB

“ *Jerry Bush lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Jerry Bush - August 23, 2025 at 09:49 AM

LB

“ *Linda Simmons Biethman lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Linda Simmons Biethman - August 23, 2025 at 08:26 AM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Barbara jeffress - August 23, 2025 at 07:43 AM

TR

“ *Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Teresa Richerson - August 23, 2025 at 07:17 AM

JW

“ Jane(Ross) And Clearon Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton



Jane(Ross) and Clearon Wright - August 22, 2025 at 11:41 PM

BR

“ Bill And Debbie Rigsby lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton



Bill and Debbie Rigsby - August 22, 2025 at 11:37 PM

VJ

“ Chuck, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. You have my deepest condolences.

Vickie Johnson - August 22, 2025 at 10:24 PM

MT

“ Melba Tanner lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton



Melba Tanner - August 22, 2025 at 09:07 PM

KS

“ *Karon Tanner Scates lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Karon Tanner Scates - August 22, 2025 at 08:27 PM

KS

Roma, was the best, her and Charlie were the greatest neighbors ever and so good to mom, dad and us kids. Roma you will be missed. Prayers got you Debbie, Chuck, Shelia and Jennifer

Karon Tanner Scates - August 22, 2025 at 08:32 PM

JS

“ *John Slack lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



John Slack - August 22, 2025 at 07:27 PM

JS

Mrs. Deaton was a lovely and kind lady who always wore a friendly smile. Prayers for her family and loved ones. 🙏🙏🙏🙏

John Slack - August 22, 2025 at 07:32 PM

CH

“ *Cheryl Harris lit a candle in memory of Roma Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Cheryl Harris - August 22, 2025 at 06:44 PM

BT

“ *Becky Turley lit a candle in memory of Roma
Jean (Ross) Deaton*



Becky Turley - August 22, 2025 at 03:56 PM