



MS. RACHEL CAROLYN TOWNSEND

July 20, 1953 - April 27, 2026

Funeral services for Ms. Rachel Carolyn Townsend will be held at 10 AM Friday, May 1, 2026, at Deemer Church of Jesus Name with Rev. Derrick Townsend, Dale Townsend and Rev. David Richardson officiating. Interment will be in Oak Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 5-8 PM Thursday, April 30, 2026, at Deemer Church of Jesus Name. John E. Stephens Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Ms. Townsend, 72, passed away on Monday, April 27, 2026, at Baptist Anderson Hospital in Meridian, MS. She was a member of Deemer Church of Jesus Name and enjoyed spending time with her family, cooking and vacationing.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Franklin Townsend; parents, Rachel Rogers and Ruby Rogers Divine; sons, Waylon and Waverlon Townsend; sister, Faye Duncan; brothers, Buck, Joe, Clayton, Billy Ray, Shorty Jenkins, Ricky Rogers.

Survivors include sons, Dale Townsend (LaDonna) of Collins, Rev. Derrick Townsend (Chrissy) of Clinton, Luke Townsend of Philadelphia; sisters, Judy Bain of Summit, Lisa Rogers Williamson of Philadelphia, Virginia Cobert of Baltimore, MD; brothers, Rev. J. W. Jenkins and Robert Rogers of Philadelphia; adopted great nephew, Dylan Duncan; 12 grandchildren, 3

great-grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Ethan Townsend, Kyle Townsend, Daniel Day, Dylan Duncan, James Bowlin, Dawson Malone.

Cemetery Details

Oak Grove

Philadelphia, MS 39350

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **30**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

DEEMER CHURCH OF JESUS NAME
16240 ROAD 505
PHILADELPHIA, MS 39350

Funeral

MAY **1**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Erwin Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of MS. RACHEL CAROLYN TOWNSEND.* ”



The Erwin Family - April 29 at 04:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of MS. RACHEL CAROLYN TOWNSEND.* ”



April 29 at 01:16 PM



“ *What a Wonderful Lady I was privileged to call Momma.* ”



Derrick Townsend - April 29 at 11:53 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences. You are in my thoughts and prayers.* ”



CarolAnn Edwards - April 29 at 09:34 AM

TS

“ *She was definitely one of the sweetest lady I've known,heart big as gold.* ”

Tammy Stevens - April 28 at 05:09 PM

WS

“ *Dale we are keeping you all in our Hearts and Prayers.* ”



Wally Stokes - April 28 at 03:45 PM