



## Gladys P. Ragan

June 25, 1926 - August 23, 2024

Gladys P. Ragan has gone home to be with Jesus in her long-awaited heavenly home with her husband and a host of relatives. She died on Friday, August 23, 2024, at 98 years of age.

She was born on June 25, 1926, in Narvel, Kentucky, a daughter of the late Omer and Esther (Neal) Owens.

On January 19, 1941, Gladys married the love of her life, Oscar Ragan, in Pickett County, Tennessee. They enjoyed 54 years of marriage until he passed away on May 31, 1995. Gladys was a member of Whittier Lane Baptist Church for over 60 years, where she taught third-grade Sunday School for 25 years. She was musically talented, sang in the choir, and taught herself to play the organ and guitar.

In her early years, Gladys was employed at Firestone in Noblesville and Hammond Nursing Home in New Castle. She was a cook at Wilbur Wright Elementary School for many years, where she found joy in feeding the children. Gladys loved caring for others and served as a nursing aide at Heritage House Nursing Home until she left to become a private-duty caretaker. She and her husband lived above Couden-Hostetler Funeral Home for several years, and she assisted during visitations and funerals. Gladys loved nothing more than attending family reunions, being at her

grandchildren's sporting events, reminiscing and sharing memories with family and loved ones, and talking about the good ole days.

Those left to cherish Gladys's memory include her son, Michael (Bobi) Ragan of New Castle; her daughter, Connie P. Martin of Muncie; her daughter-in-law, Donna Ragan, of New Castle; five grandchildren, Michael (Kim) Ragan of New Castle, Nikki Ragan-Hines of Pendleton, Ryan (Melissa) Ragan of New Palestine, Ross (Tasha) Ragan of New Castle, and Morgan (Courtney) Ragan of Greenwood; nine great-grandchildren, Hunter Ragan, Austin Ragan, Evan Dutrow, Brendan Ragan, Caiden Ragan, Haylee Ragan, twins, Jayden and Jackson Ragan, and Colton Ragan; two brothers, Nelson (Lana) Owens of Burkesville, KY and Lloyd (Debbie) Owens of Crawfordsville, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her parents, Gladys was preceded in death by her husband, Oscar Ragan; an infant daughter, Mabel Ragan; a son, Ronald Ragan; two brothers, Irvin and Hack Owens; and five sisters, Bonnie, Nell, Gay, Helen, and Jeannette.

Visitation will be held at Sproles Family Funeral Home in New Castle on Thursday, August 29, 2024, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, August 31, 2024, at Davis Chapel in Alpha, Kentucky, with Bro. Kenny Neal officiating. Burial will follow in Davis Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call from 11:00 am until the time of service on Saturday at Davis Chapel.

You may offer the family a personal condolence at [www.sprolesfamilycares.com](http://www.sprolesfamilycares.com).

The Sproles family and staff are honored to serve the family of Gladys P. Ragan.

# Cemetery Details

## Davis Chapel Cemetery

98-2 county road 1012  
Alpha, KY 42603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Sproles Family Funeral Home  
2400 S Memorial Dr.  
New Castle, IN 47362

## Visitation

AUG **31**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Davis Chapel  
98-2 county road 1012  
Alpha, KY 42603

## Funeral

AUG **31**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Davis Chapel  
98-2 county road 1012  
Alpha, KY 42603



# Tribute Wall

LP

“ *Loujean Pendergraft lit a candle in memory of Gladys Ragan*



Loujean Pendergraft - August 27, 2024 at 05:55 AM

SR

“ *Gladys was always a ray of sunshine when I would see her. A true testament of a godly woman.*

Shelly Rillaerts - August 26, 2024 at 05:50 PM

RG

“ *I am so sorry to lose a dear cousin, actually my dad's cousin. Gladys and her siblings were delightful to know, and she filled in so much family history. I know how much she enjoyed those reunions, she had urged me to attend a few. Her memory will be a forever blessing.*

*Rose (Owens) Gorham*

Rose M Gorham - August 26, 2024 at 12:19 AM

DO

*Thank you for the cards you sent Gladys she enjoyed receiving them*

Donna - August 28, 2024 at 05:03 PM

RD

“ *So sorry to hear of your Mother Mike. She's made it HOME!!! Our prayers and thoughts are with you and Bobbi 🙏🙏🙏 love you all.*

Ricky Davis - August 25, 2024 at 08:50 PM

RR

“ My wonderful Aunt came to be with my sisters and I when mom died. I'll never forget her comforting words and hugs. I loved her so much. I always looked forward to seeing her at our family reunions. She always had the best stories to tell us about mom, and the rest of the Owen's family.

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**Rhonda Reynolds** - August 25, 2024 at 12:19 AM

CS

Loved seeing Gladys at Whittier Lane Baptist She was always so happy and glad to see me, Connie Sampley

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**Connie Sampley** - August 25, 2024 at 08:12 PM

MS

“ We Love and miss you. We will cherish the memories of going to your and Uncle Oscar's house as kids to you being there for AJ. Prayers for the family. The Smiths.

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**Michael Smith** - August 24, 2024 at 01:56 PM