



Ruthe Elsie Goines

June 5, 1932 - November 13, 2025

Ruthe Elsie Goines, 93, of Whitehouse passed away peacefully in her home on Thursday, November 13, 2025. She was a cherished wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend who lived her life with no regrets. Born June 5, 1932 in Schuylkill County Pennsylvania to Talbert and Elsie Mae Klinger, Ruthe dedicated her life to her family. After graduating from Hegins Township High School (1950) Ruthe enlisted in the Air Force. Her first and only duty station was Washington D.C. It was there she met the love of her life, Murl Goines, and on June 30, 1952 they were married. Ruthe and Murl were married 55 years, when he passed. She lived the interesting and adventurous life of a military wife, traveling the world living in such places as Newfoundland, Spain, and England as well as many states in the U.S. Through all their travels she maintained her membership in the Lutheran Church and kept her kids in scouts while volunteering for many years as a scout leader. She encouraged her kids to be involved and supported them in all of their endeavors. Wherever they landed she found a way to get the family outdoors. She loved camping, fishing, and picnics. She was an avid bowler, bowling in many leagues with her husband. She loved playing the piano, sewing, knitting, and was extremely passionate about crocheting, working on projects up until she passed. Unlike many of her generation, she embraced technology and when she wasn't crocheting, she was exploring Pinterest or playing a game on her tablet. She loved word games, card games, and adventure games. Just as she did on the board game of scrabble she found it

tough to find a worthy opponent online. If one is inclined to find Solitaire Kingdom Supreme you will most likely see her name on the leaderboard for quite some time as she was ridiculously far ahead of her opponents when she passed. Her love of playing challenging games on her computer and tablet was most likely the reason for her sharp wit and solid mental status.

Ruthe was pre-deceased by her husband, Murl, and her son, Barry Murl Goines. She was the last living of her siblings and their spouses: brother Arlen Klinger and wife Connie, sister Allene Shadle and husband Kenneth, sister Treazure Eiffes and husband Lenwood, brother Larry Snyder and wife Barbara as well as brother and sister-in-laws: Vernon and Kathleen Goines, Johnnie Mae Morrow, Edith and Fred French, Mavis and Johnny Dalton, and John Richard and Judy Goines.

She is survived by her daughters Terry Lynn Hubany (husband Waymon) of Marietta, Georgia; Sandra Gayle Warner (husband Peter) of Winchester, Tennessee; Misty Lee Sumner (husband Lane) of Fort Davis, Texas; her daughter-in-law Susanne Goines of Denton, Texas; her grandchildren Bethany Sutton (husband Trae); Benita Tomlinson (husband Zach); Duncan Hubany; Joshua Hubany (wife Kimberly); Megan Babunovic; Amber Keheley (husband Luke); Dani Warner; Lauren Milton (husband Tedric-deceased), and eleven great-grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

Services for Ruthe Goines of Whitehouse are scheduled for 1:30 PM Saturday November 22, 2025 at Stewart Family Funeral Home (7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy. Tyler, Texas) with Pastor Zach Tomlinson presiding.

There will be a brief visitation (12:30-1:30) onsite and a short committal service at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery following the service. Family and friends are asked to join us in a celebration of her life at the Hampton Inn and Suites Tyler - South (8962 S. Broadway) following her interment. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to www.misfitshepherds.com in honor of Ruthe.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Interment

NOV **22**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery
7825 South Broadway Avenue
Tyler, TX 75703

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Eiffes Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ruthe Elsie Goines.*



The Eiffes Family - November 21, 2025 at 02:30 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ruthe Elsie Goines.*



November 20, 2025 at 10:41 PM

MS

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Misty L. Sumner - November 18, 2025 at 12:58 PM

DH

Aww, we found a photo similar to her on the motorcycle while going thru our mom's photo albums. She and Aunt Ruthe were in the Air Force together. That is when mom met our dad (Arlen). Our love and sympathy from the PA and FL Klinger cousins to the entire family. RIP Aunt Ruthe.

Deb Hummel - November 19, 2025 at 05:01 PM