



Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found that peace at the close of the day
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered *Joy*
A friendship shared,
a laugh, a kiss Ah, yes, these things I too will miss
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life has been full, I've savored much
Good friends, good times, *a loved one's touch*
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief
Lift up your heart and share with me
God wanted me now, He set me FREE!



Acknowledgement

Our family wishes to express our sincere gratitude to all of you for your prayers, presence, love, phone calls, and all other expressions of support and comfort that you have shown during our time of bereavement. Your kindness and thoughtfulness will never be forgotten.

Arrangements Entrusted to:
Nabors Family Funeral Home
Lillie Nabors, L.F.D.E.
470 W. 172nd St
Thornton, Illinois 60476
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*Expect Great Service...
and Receive Greater.*



Celebrating
THE LIFE OF

Ruby
JEAN
HATCHETT

SUNRISE: FEBRUARY 14, 1934 | SUNSET: NOVEMBER 4, 2025



Ruby Hatchett

Ruby Jean (Dozier) Hatchett was born on February 14, 1934, to the union of Reverend Tanner Jr. and Lillie B. Dozier in Cotton Plant, Arkansas. She was the fifth of seven children.

Ruby confessed her faith in Christ at an early age and was baptized at Rock Chapel AME Church in Cotton Plant, Arkansas. She graduated from Cotton Plant Vocational High School in 1952.

On December 13, 1953, Ruby married the love of her life, Watius Hatchett Sr. To this union, six children were born. In 1956, she moved to Chicago, Illinois, where she built a life grounded in faith, family, and service.

Ruby became a devoted member of St. Stephen's AME Church, where she continued to grow in her walk with the Lord. She was a prayer warrior, and lord knows that she could quote the scripture.

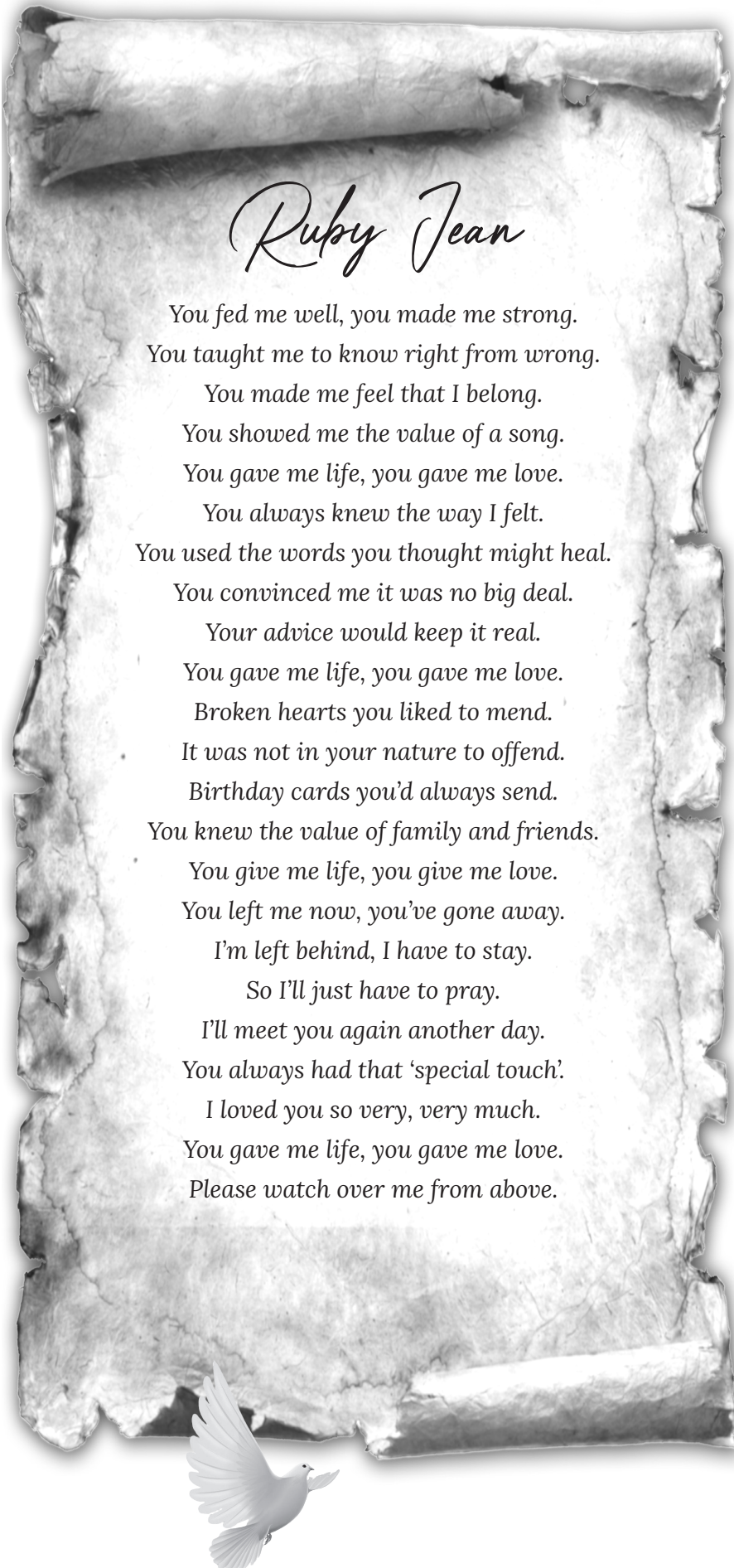
Ruby went on to earn an Associate's Degree in Medical Administration from Loop College (now known as Harold Washington College). She dedicated 20 years of her professional life to Mount Sinai Hospital and spent an additional 15 years at Bethany Hospital before retiring in 2000. She was admired for her strong work ethic, compassion, and willingness to help anyone in need.

Ruby Jean's passion was cooking, caring for her family, and blessing others with her kindness and generosity. She also enjoyed reading books, traveling, and experiencing the beauty of life. Her warm heart and nurturing spirit left a lasting impression on everyone she met.

Ruby made a peaceful transition from this life to glory on November 4, 2025, at the age of 91. She was preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband, Watius Hatchett Sr.; two sons, Anthony and Michael Hatchett Sr.; one great-grandchild, A'laysia Betts; four sisters, Dorothy Lawson, Margie Jacocks, Geraldine Riddle, and Tanner Mae Murray; and two brothers, O.J. Dozier and Vernon Dozier Sr.

She leaves to cherish her memory two loving daughters, Marilyn (Anthony) Miles of Gary, IN, and Valerie (Glen) McKee of Chicago, IL; two devoted sons, Derrick (Robin) Hatchett of North Port, FL, and Watius (Jacqualyn) Hatchett Jr. of Waukegan, IL; daughter-in-law Glenda Hatchett; 14 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; two bonus sons, Bennie Walker and William Taylor; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Ruby Jean's legacy of love, faith, and service will continue to shine through all who were blessed to know and love her.



Ruby Jean

You fed me well, you made me strong.
You taught me to know right from wrong.
You made me feel that I belong.
You showed me the value of a song.
You gave me life, you gave me love.
You always knew the way I felt.
You used the words you thought might heal.
You convinced me it was no big deal.
Your advice would keep it real.
You gave me life, you gave me love.
Broken hearts you liked to mend.
It was not in your nature to offend.
Birthday cards you'd always send.
You knew the value of family and friends.
You give me life, you give me love.
You left me now, you've gone away.
I'm left behind, I have to stay.
So I'll just have to pray.
I'll meet you again another day.
You always had that 'special touch'.
I loved you so very, very much.
You gave me life, you gave me love.
Please watch over me from above.

Friday, November 14, 2025
Visitation: 10:00am - 11:00am
Service: 11:00am - 12:00pm
Nabors Funeral Home
470 W. 172nd Street
Thorton, IL 60476

Order of Service

Organ prelude	Organist
Processional	Family
Scripture	Minister
Selection/Solo	Michael Fulton
Acknowledgements	
Remarks	Two minutes please
Obituary	Symphoni Henry
Poem	Carol Underwood
Eulogy	Elder Bernard Verner
Recessional	Family

Pallbearers

Taiwan Mckee, Corey Mckee, Romell Betts Sr.
Derrick Hatchett Jr., Julian Hatchett, Michael Hatchett Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Anton Hatchett, Stevland Hatchett, Maylan Hatchett
Devohn Hatchett, Glen Mckee, Marcus Hatchett

Interment

Mount Glenwood Cemetery
18301 S. Glenwood Thornton Rd.