



## Rayanna Murphy Redderson

January 2, 1938 - April 12, 2025

Rayanna Murphy Redderson passed away surrounded by her family after a short illness on April 12, 2025 in Greenville, South Carolina.

Rayanna was born on January 2, 1938 in Atlanta, Georgia, to Harry Ray and Vera Ivey Murphy and she was their only child.

After graduating from Roosevelt High School, Rayanna attended Auburn University where she majored in Education. Rayanna met her husband, Roy, while attending Auburn. They soon married and after graduating, embarked on a ten year journey with the US Navy which took them to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, California, Japan, North Carolina, and Rhode Island.

After Roy's military career, the Redderson family moved to Statesboro, Georgia, where Rayanna taught elementary school and earned her Master's in Education from Georgia Southern University.

Upon retirement, Roy and Rayanna moved to Lake Glenville in Cullowhee, North Carolina, where they built their house and lived for thirteen years. They later moved to Greenville, South Carolina, to be closer to family.

Wherever she lived, Rayanna was always active in church and was a member of Earle Street Baptist Church in Greenville. She was also a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, Chapter R.

Rayanna is predeceased by her parents, her husband Roy Henry Redderson, a son, Gary Alan Redderson and is survived by a son Michael Ivey Redderson (Bivian), a son Jeffery Patrick Redderson (Linda), four grandchildren Wes Redderson, Michele Clements, Ivey Redderson, Anna Redderson and four

great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m. Wednesday at Earle Street Baptist Church. The family will receive friends following the service from 2:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the church.

A private burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Atlanta, GA.

Memorials may be made to Earle Street Baptist Church, 225 W. Earle St., Greenville, SC 29609, or Samaritans Purse, [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org).

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.thehowzemortuary.com](http://www.thehowzemortuary.com).

The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is in charge of the arrangements. (864) 834-8051

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

1173 Cascade Circle  
Atlanta, GA 30311

# Previous Events

## Service

APR 16. 1:00 PM (ET)

Earle Street Baptist Church  
225 W. Earle Street  
Greenville, SC 29609

## Visitation

APR 16. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JM

“ Just now opening email (could not get into email earlier) and getting such sad news. My dear friend Rayanna and I met when she sat by me for her first time visiting Greenmeadow Baptist Church in North Kingstown, R.I. We became good friends for the remainder of their stay in RI. After the family moved to Statesboro, Ga. we visited them once there and once in Cullowhee. Had a nice long letter from her in the spring. Tried to call her so many times before that and since, somehow could not connect. I finally did write to her. I am so saddened by this and will miss her dearly. The angels in heaven are rejoicing of her coming home. Now I will send a donation to Samaritan's Purse in her memory. Michael and Jeff, I would appreciate a call from both or either of you when you can. 401-884-4877. (landline) Jonell Mehr, North Kingstown, R.I.

Jonell Mehr - April 15, 2025 at 11:55 PM

BW

“ Rayanna was a dear friend and PEO sister. We spent many hours traveling together to meetings. During those times we shared our deep feelings and concerns with one another. I will miss her terribly, but know she is home with her Savior. Barb Weiner

Barbara Weiner - April 15, 2025 at 09:50 AM

AF

“ Alejandra Lenis & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rayanna Murphy Redderson.



Alejandra Lenis & Family - April 15, 2025 at 12:26 AM

CR

“ Carl and Pat Redderson purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rayanna Murphy Redderson.



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**Carl and Pat Redderson** - April 14, 2025 at 10:14 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rayanna Murphy Redderson.

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April 14, 2025 at 03:25 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Rayanna Murphy Redderson.



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April 14, 2025 at 03:25 PM

JM

“ Judy, Wesley, Michele purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Rayanna Murphy Redderson.



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**Judy, Wesley, Michele** - April 14, 2025 at 12:00 PM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of *Rayanna Murphy Redderson*.



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April 13, 2025 at 06:19 PM