



Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman

June 9, 1932 - July 27, 2025

Dora Summerour Freeman, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family, on July 27, 2025 at the age of 93.

Born on June 9, 1932, she was married for 54 years to her husband Sam W. Freeman Jr. until his death in 2009. Together they built a life grounded in love, faith, and community. Residents of Roswell for more than 50 years, they were pillars of First Baptist Roswell. Dora taught the ladies Sunday School Friendship class for decades, and served on numerous committees and as a deacon. Her faithful presence, selfless service, and unwavering support touched the lives of the church ministers and staff, as well as fellow members.

A life long educator, Dora was a graduate of both Bessie Tift College and Georgia State University. She spent her professional years teaching at schools in Newnan (GA), Anniston (AL), Owensboro (KY), and Daytona Beach (FL) before moving to Roswell. There she taught math at North Roswell Elementary and Crabapple Middle schools to many Roswell children. She enjoyed keeping in contact with both her students and colleagues in her retirement years.

Dora was preceded in death by her husband Sam Jr., her mother Irma Cochran Locke, and her brother Thomas Jefferson Summerour. She is

survived by her children Samuel Walker Freeman, III (Lisa Holmes, fiancé) of Woodstock, Carol Freeman Ake (Tim) of Woodstock and Bob Freeman (Grace) of Dunwoody as well as her siblings Jimmy Locke (Sue), Ellen Lovvorn (Harry), and Judy Hartley (Harold). She is also survived by 11 grandchildren Lauren Freeman Whittaker (Pace), Stephen Ake (Emily), Colin Ake (Nikki), Samuel Walker Freeman IV (Emily), Bryan Ake (Toni), James Freeman, Melissa Ake (Robert Henry), Beth Anne Ake Teal (John-Michael), Powell Freeman (Kathryn), Amanda Ake Besserman (Brad), and Lewis Freeman. In addition, she is survived by 11 great-grandchildren Merritt and Lilah Whittaker, Jonathan Ake, Owen, Lealynn, and Hudson Ake, Samuel Walker Freeman V, Calvin and Kelsey Ake, Lucas Henry, and Edward Teal. She dearly loved them all.

We would like to express our thanks for the church family of First Baptist Roswell who has provided a caring community for decades, especially in recent years. Also, our family is grateful for Judy, Anne, Sheri, and Maggie who have offered comfort and care to Mom in her last 3 1/2 years.

Graveside services will be at Oak Hill Cemetery in Newnan, Georgia at 10:00 am on Saturday, August 2, 2025, with a memorial service to follow at 3:00 pm at First Baptist Church in Roswell, Georgia. Visitation with the family will be from 5:00-8:00 pm on Friday, August 1, at Northside Chapel in Roswell, Georgia. In lieu of flowers the family requests gifts be given in her memory to First Baptist Roswell, 710 Mimosa Boulevard, Roswell, GA 30075.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

97 Jefferson St.
Newnan, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Graveside

AUG 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

Oak Hill Cemetery
97 Jefferson St.
Newnan, GA

Memorial Service

AUG 2. 3:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Roswell
710 Mimosa Blvd
Roswell, GA 30075

Tribute Wall

JG

“ Wow, what a great lady! I first met Dora when I moved to Brickleberry community in 2014. What a privilege to enjoy the fellowship that was shared thru the years with Dora, community and church! We would go out for dinner on Fridays until 'Covid' hit our nation and we went to different homes after dinner for desert and fellowship!! One evening it was Dora's time to share a desert and she asked me, Jim, what do you think we're having for desert and I said 'Banana Pudding'. YES, it was and I think I had two helping's, ha-ha! Also I talked with her often when she was 'walking " twice" a DAY around the three cul-de-sacs! YES, Dora was a person who really lived her 'Faith' as the Lord challenges us, "Love your neighbor' as yourself !! We will miss this 'faithful' servant of our God! May our Lord bless her family as they share the beautiful memories she left for them!

James (Jim) Gilbert - August 02, 2025 at 10:51 AM

JA

“ Janet planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.

Janet - July 31, 2025 at 05:03 PM

JA

“ Janet purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.



Janet - July 31, 2025 at 05:03 PM

AH

“ *Angela & Scott Williams and Greg Hartley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.*



Angela & Scott Williams and Greg Hartley - July 31, 2025 at 08:01 AM

NL

“ *Nate, Jen, Lathem, & Knox Luckey purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.*



Nate, Jen, Lathem, & Knox Luckey - July 30, 2025 at 08:38 PM

TC

“ *Teresa Clark purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.*



Teresa Clark - July 30, 2025 at 01:06 PM

YF

“ *Your pharmacy family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.*



Your pharmacy family - July 30, 2025 at 12:18 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.

July 29, 2025 at 11:26 PM



“ Summerours and Frosts purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.



Summerours and Frosts - July 29, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.

July 29, 2025 at 10:48 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.



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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dora Summerour Freeman.



July 29, 2025 at 07:37 AM



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