



## Imogene S. Rathbone

July 17, 1935 - February 21, 2025

Imogene S. Rathbone, age 89 of Newport, TN, devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, entered her heavenly home on Friday, February 21, 2025. She passed peacefully with her children and grandchildren by her side.

Imogene was born in Del Rio, TN on July 17, 1935 to William "Floyd" and Sallie Presnell Strange. She was a member of Wilsonville Baptist Church for many years. She retired from Detroit Gasket in 1995. She loved to sew, cook, and spend time gardening although her happiest times were spent with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Imogene was preceded in death by her loving husband of 69 years, Lee Otis Rathbone; parents William "Floyd" and Sallie Presnell Strange; siblings Dorothy Strange, Alice (Rye) Parks, Gladys (Hubert) Willis, Bernice (Eddie) Miller, Junior (Zee) Strange, Ted (Francis) Strange, Robert Strange, Wilma (Robert) Sprouse; brother-in-law Everett Pack; and infant son of Ronnie and June Rathbone.

She is survived by her children Ronnie and June Rathbone of Atlanta, Brian and Pam Rathbone of Newport, and Russell and Staci Rathbone of Newport; grandchildren Anthony (Emily) Rathbone, Breann (Robert) Fisher, Nicholas Niver, Jacob (Carrie) Rathbone, Zebadiah Rathbone, Abigail (Dusty) Carter, and Gabriel Rathbone; great-grandchildren Keilee, Jackson, and Andrew Rathbone, Jayden, Taylor, and Kamdyn Shearer, Caden and Sierra Fisher, Maxwell and Brooks Niver, and Emmie and Levi Rathbone; great-great grandchild Delila Shearer; sister Irene (Wimpy) Pack; sisters-in-law Dora

Brown and Lawanda Strange; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m, Tuesday, February 25, 2025 with funeral services following at 7 p.m. in Manes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dennis Strange officiating.

Burial will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 26, 2025 in Resthaven Memorial Gardens.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at [www.manesfuneralhome.com](http://www.manesfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

FEB **25**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Chapel  
363 East Main Street  
Newport, TN 37821

## Funeral service

FEB **25**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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363 East Main Street  
Newport, TN 37821

## Burial

FEB **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Resthaven Memorial Gardens  
Dandridge, TN 37725

# Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Imogene S. Rathbone*

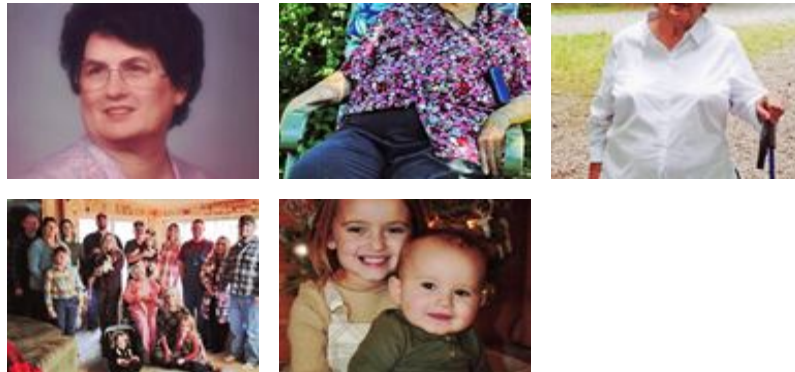


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**Manes Funeral Home, Inc.** - February 25, 2025 at 09:53 AM



“ *79 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Manes Funeral Home, Inc.** - February 25, 2025 at 09:37 AM



“ *Ron so sorry to hear. I tried to call but the number no longer worked. Maybe we can catch up someday. Mickey Gibson*

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**Mickey Gibson** - February 24, 2025 at 06:53 PM

JO

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy*  
*Doug and Joyce Shoemaker*

**Joyce** - February 24, 2025 at 02:12 PM

AE

“ *Ronnie and family I'm sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I remember her as a sweet soft spoken woman with a big smile. May God be with you during these next days as you lay her to rest. Love you all*



**Angie Epley** - February 23, 2025 at 02:00 PM

MT

“ *To all the family I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your beautiful mother.. praying for all of you.*  
*Mary Austin-Taylor*

**mary Taylor** - February 23, 2025 at 09:15 AM

GW

“ *My sincere condolences, I loved Aunt Imogene, she had a heart of gold.*



**Glenda Willis** - February 22, 2025 at 08:46 PM

JF

“ *To all the Rathbone family, we are very sorry for your loss. We will be praying for all of you during this time. May God comfort you all.*  
*We love you, James and Gail Frisbee*

**James and Gail Frisbee** - February 22, 2025 at 04:22 PM

JF

“ James and Gail Frisbee lit a candle in memory of Imogene Rathbone



James and Gail Frisbee - February 22, 2025 at 04:16 PM

KR

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Keilee Rathbone - February 22, 2025 at 03:36 PM

CV

“ Pam and Brian, Please accept my deepest condolences. Cindy

Cynthia Valentine - February 22, 2025 at 02:44 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Imogene S. Rathbone.



February 22, 2025 at 01:52 PM

SO

“ Brian, Ronnie, Russell and all the family: I am so sorry to read that your precious mother has passed away. Imogene use to baby sit Andy when I worked at Bush Brothers. He loved going to see Imogene and Otis. They were so good to the children. Imogene was sure a wonderful Christian lady. She always had a smile, and she loved her family and her Lord. Heaven just gained another Angel 🙏. I am praying for this family, and asking God to give you comfort and strength in the days ahead. I'm so sorry. 💔



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Susie O'Dell - February 22, 2025 at 12:25 PM