



Mrs. Mae F. Riggs

March 21, 1964 - July 29, 2025

Statesboro, Georgia

Mae Fonda Deloach-Riggs was born in 1964 in Statesboro, Georgia. She graduated from Statesboro High School class of 1982 and went on to earn her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Human Resources from Georgia Southern University.

After marrying her lifelong partner, Tony Riggs, the two moved to Texas, where she worked at South Texas Medical. They later relocated to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where she was employed by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services and worked near the site of the Oklahoma City bombing — a testament to her strength and resilience during difficult times.

Eventually, she and her husband returned home to Statesboro to be closer to family. There, she built a life rooted in service, love, and community. She became the proud mother of two beautiful children, Joshua and Nicole Riggs. Over the years, she held many impactful roles — working with DFCS, serving as a parent-teacher liaison in the school system, acting as a mediator with the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit, and working in an office at Georgia Southern University. She co-owned the Family Violence Prevention Program and played a key role alongside her husband in the ministry of Joshua One Eight.

At a very young age, she gave her life to Christ at her home church, Ada Bell Church of God, fellowshiped for a time at Elm Street Church of God, where she served as treasurer, and most recently was a devoted member of Believers Church.

Above all, she loved spending time with her family, playing games, and uplifting others through her words, presence, and unwavering compassion. She touched countless lives and was always ready to listen, encourage, and serve.

Her life was a beautiful reflection of faith, strength, and love. She will be deeply missed by all who had the honor of knowing her. Though she was first diagnosed with Lupus, she bravely battled Lymphangiomyomatosis, a rare lung disease, for 23 years before the Lord called her home.

She leaves to cherish memories her devoted husband, Tony Riggs, Statesboro, GA, her children, Joshua Riggs and Nicole Riggs, Statesboro, GA; her mother, Eldora Scott-DeLoach, her father which precedes her in death, William DeLoach, Sr., brothers, Larry DeLoach, and Chris DeLoach (Lisa) both of Statesboro, GA, William Jr. DeLoach (Danice) (Rosamond, CA), and Ronald "Fred" Brown, Register, GA; sisters, Julie DeLoach-Smith (David), Statesboro, GA her, mother-in-law, Martha Riggs (Floyd Sr.- Deceased) a brother-in-law, Craig Riggs (Connie), Floyd "Teddy" Jr Riggs, and Fulton Pryor; a sisters in law, Karen Riggs Jones (John), and Vickie Rhett, a host of other relatives and friends.

There will be no scheduled visitation.

Mrs. Riggs will lie in repose on the day of service at the church for viewing. There will be no viewing after the eulogy.

The funeral service for Mrs. Mae F. Deloach Riggs, will be held at 2 P.M., Sunday, August 3, 2025 at Believers Church of Statesboro, Pastor Scott Moore, Rev. Joyce Smith, Presiding and the Rev. Alexander Smith, Jr., Officiating. Burial will be held at the Eastside Cemetery.

Final rites have been entrusted to Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Previous Events

Lie In State

AUG 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

Believers Church of Statesboro
6495 Harville Road
Statesboro , GA 30458

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Funeral Service

AUG 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

Believers Church of Statesboro
6495 Harville Road
Statesboro , GA 30458

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Burial

AUG 3 (ET)

Eastside Cemetery
1502 Northside Dr E
Statesboro, GA 30458

Tribute Wall

GL

“ *Deepest heart felt sympathy to Tony and families of Mae.* 🌟❤️🙏



Gwen Littles - August 05, 2025 at 11:03 AM

NH

“ *RIP beautiful soul*



Nita Houston Huff - August 04, 2025 at 05:15 PM

JS

“ *Deepest condolences to the family. My God strengthen you during this most difficult time*
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Randy & Judy Smith



Judy Smith - August 03, 2025 at 05:37 PM

WA

“ *Mae and I worked together at Stilson Elementary School. She always had kind words and a servant heart. I pray that her family will find comfort knowing that she is completely healed.*

Wanda Akins - August 03, 2025 at 02:24 PM

SM

“ *Rest easy cousin. We love you. I will always cherish our memories.
Love Linda and family*

Selinda Maxfield - August 03, 2025 at 12:41 PM

C8

“ *Class of 1980 sending our condolences to the
family*



class of 80 - August 03, 2025 at 08:47 AM

LW

“ *Lucia Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Mae F. Riggs*



Lucia wallace - August 03, 2025 at 01:25 AM

LB

“ *I've known Mae,all my life matter of fact ,I've known the William “Jr “
Deloach ,Sr family .However what I didn't know until I read her
obituary that we share a brother,that her daddy was his daddy,now
when William Deloach passed 1-24-1994 my brother wasn't on his
obituary as his"son"..My brother was mentioned then but now you're
convinced he's your brother*

Linder Brown - August 03, 2025 at 01:12 AM

JH

“ Jennifer H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.

Jennifer H. - August 02, 2025 at 03:46 PM

FP

“ From Samantha Chang Proctor purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.



From Samantha Chang Proctor - August 02, 2025 at 10:52 AM

C1

“ Chris and Family,
We send our condolences. We pray that God will give you'll peace in the days ahead.

Statesboro High Class of 1979



Class of 1979 - August 02, 2025 at 10:26 AM

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“ Community Lighthouse Ministry (CA) purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.



Community Lighthouse Ministry (CA) - August 02, 2025 at 02:43 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.*



August 02, 2025 at 12:01 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.

August 02, 2025 at 12:01 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.

August 01, 2025 at 07:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.*



August 01, 2025 at 07:06 PM

TP

“ Praying for love and light for the friends and family. I remember her smile and her kindness towards me. Rest well.



Theresa Payton - August 01, 2025 at 11:09 AM

DF

“ My condolences to the family.



Delphia Florence - August 01, 2025 at 05:01 AM



“ Mae ...was one of the best people to know. One of the best I have ever met. She was so positive, kind hearted. She never had a cross word for any one. If she was in pain you would never know it. People like Mae don't come along often, but when they do cherish them honor them and be thankful for the time you have been in her presence. People like Mae are needed in this world. A kind smile a listening ear and a large heart. I will miss her greatly I know her family will even more than myself. I will pray for us all. A great woman was among us. Remember her kindness remember her grace and what she stood for. That is the best way I know to honor her memory. Peace and Love to you all.

Guy Maxfield - July 31, 2025 at 08:02 PM

DD

“ I worked with Mae when I was counselor at Brooklet Elementary. I remember bringing her a vegetable soup after a big surgery, that I later realized had way too much salt for her needs. Mae did not care at all. She was always cheery and a light. Only when we discussed a child in distress did she not smile. Her love for all children reminded me of a female shepherd, a woman filled with God's love and was always optimistic about improving the life of a child. I loved this wonderful ladder. She endured mightily since then but I am so glad her children got time with her. God bless you all. Christ be with her loved ones.

Debbie Davis - July 31, 2025 at 06:38 PM

AP

“ **ARNOLD PERKINS** lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs



ARNOLD PERKINS - July 31, 2025 at 03:58 PM

BC

“ **Believers Church** purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs.



Believers Church - July 31, 2025 at 02:21 PM

BG

“ *Betty & Abner Graham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs*



Betty & Abner Graham - July 31, 2025 at 02:17 PM

KL

“ *Mae was one of the strongest people I've ever known. Her kindness never wavered, and neither did her faith. Through every season, she stood firm in her trust in God. I could always count on her for wisdom rooted in truth and grace. her warm presence, gentle spirit, and beautiful smile will be deeply missed. Take your rest now, sweet friend- you've finished your race well.*

Tony, Josh, and Nicole, you all took great care of Mae. I pray that God will continue to comfort you all during this difficult season.

Kellie Lloyd - July 31, 2025 at 12:16 PM

KM

“ We are so blessed to have been neighbors with such a beautiful soul. Mae will be missed, but her memory will forever live in our hearts. I had the pleasure of introducing my 4 week old grandson, Warner to her. She sang to him, talked so sweetly to him, and prayed over him. She had such a huge smile on her face. I think all of our souls were blessed that day. I'm glad I got video and pictures. I will make sure that he will grow up knowing that, although he wasn't her bio grandson, she said that she could feel what the love for a grandchild felt like, because she loved Warner. Mae, your deep love of our Lord is such an inspiration to me. You will forever be the example of a true Christian that I strive to be daily. Thank you for that. We love you & your family!
~Billy & Kim Morgan



Kim Morgan - July 31, 2025 at 08:22 AM

JJ

“ Josiebelle Joyce lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs



Josiebelle Joyce - July 30, 2025 at 08:38 PM

DD

“ *Danlyn Brown Devine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs*



Danlyn Brown Devine - July 30, 2025 at 07:33 PM

KL

“ *Karen Lovett sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs*



Karen Lovett - July 30, 2025 at 04:33 PM

DD

“ *Danlyn Brown Devine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mae F. Riggs*



Danlyn Brown Devine - July 30, 2025 at 12:05 PM

JE

My condolences to the family

James Easterling - July 31, 2025 at 12:13 PM

MO

“ I loved Mae and worked with her briefly at the old Brooklet Elementary School. She was very compassionate about helping others and was such a sweet spirit! Prayers for her family as she will be missed by many!



Mary Cecelia Oliver - July 30, 2025 at 10:04 AM

CC

“ To the Family and Friends of Mae DeLoach Riggs,

On behalf of the Statesboro High School Class of 1982, we extend our deepest and most heartfelt condolences on the passing of our beloved classmate, Mae DeLoach Riggs.

Mae was a cherished member of our class whose warm spirit, kindness, and strength left a lasting impression on all who knew her. Her memory will forever hold a special place in our hearts.

During this difficult time, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with each of you. May you find comfort in the love that surrounds you, the memories you shared, and the peace that only time and faith can bring.

*With sympathy and love,
The Statesboro High School Class of 1982*

Charlene Conley - July 29, 2025 at 08:41 PM