



# ELIZABETH PERDUE TALTON

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**M**ary Elizabeth Perdue Talton, ninety-nine, of Kathleen, passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 26, 2024. A visitation will be held from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. on Friday, October 4, 2024, in the Family Life Center of the Perry Methodist Church. A graveside service will follow for family members. Reverend Jim Perdue will officiate.

Elizabeth was born July 24, 1925, in Bonaire, the eighth child of the late George Ervin Perdue and the late Alma Renfroe Perdue. She graduated Salutatorian from Bonaire High School where she lettered in basketball. After high school, Elizabeth pursued a business degree from Georgia Alabama Business College in Macon and accepted a position as secretary at Robins Air Force Base. Her career there was brief because she met and married Richard Campbell Talton, a farmer, of Kathleen, and they lived happily together for sixty-nine years, raising their daughters on the family farm.

She found time and wanted to share the business side of farming with Richard and quickly became his trusted bookkeeper. Together, over the years, they received many awards from the farming industry as a result of their partnership and hard work.

Elizabeth enjoyed being a homemaker and was a devoted wife, a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was guided by her ever-present faith and was a devout member of The Perry Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school and served in many leadership roles.

She was a gracious hostess who enjoyed entertaining her family and friends in her home. She always wanted guests to feel comfortable, valued, and happy from sharing a delicious meal or party refreshments.

As a young married lady, Elizabeth and her young friends—many sharing an enduring friendship, lasting over sixty years—formed the Sorrell Club, a civic and service club that funded many



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community projects in the thriving, small city of Perry.

Mary Elizabeth Perdue Talton was a strong, generous, kind, and compassionate woman grounded by a sense of humor that endeared her to all. She cherished her family and always felt they were her “precious treasures.”

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Richard Campbell Talton; her son-in-law, Jim Goodwin; her grandson, Richard Westcott Goodwin; her eight brothers and sisters, Rosamond Perdue Saunders (Clay), George Ervin Perdue, Jr. (Ophie), Edna Perdue, David Alfred Perdue, Sr. (Gervaise), Phillip Woodson Perdue (Barbara), Sara Margaret Perdue, John Perdue (Mary), Lemuel Hollis Perdue; her in-laws, Abner Redding Talton, Sr. and Estelle Andrew Talton; her brothers- and sisters-in-law Abner Redding Talton, Jr (Margaret), Henry Andrew Talton, Sr (Lucy), Benjamin Cullen Talton (Betty).

Left to cherish the memories they made with Elizabeth are her three daughters and her sons-in-law Joye Talton Goodwin, Jean and Jim Floyd, RichieLynn and Ed Chapman; her grandchildren, Angela Elizabeth Goodwin, Ashley and Art McSwain, Jamie Elizabeth and Nick Ayers, Emily and John Dennis Wetherington, Katie Elizabeth Chapman and Jason Rigsby; her great-grandchildren, Katherine Elizabeth McSwain, Molly James McSwain, James Talton Ayers, Mary Floyd Ayers, Charles West Ayers, John Henry Wetherington, and Elizabeth Jane Wetherington; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces, and great-great-nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorials be made to The Perry Methodist Church, Post Office Box 73, Perry, Georgia 31069, or The Westfield School, 2005 U.S. Highway 41, Perry, Georgia 31069.

The family extends a special appreciation to Mrs. Betty Nottingham, Ms. Vickie Peacock, Ms. Chakeyla Battle, and Summerhill.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at [www.watsonhunt.com](http://www.watsonhunt.com). Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



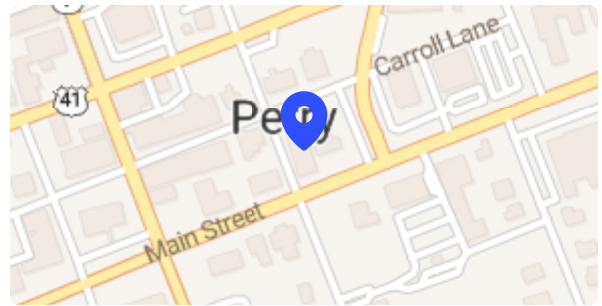
# Events

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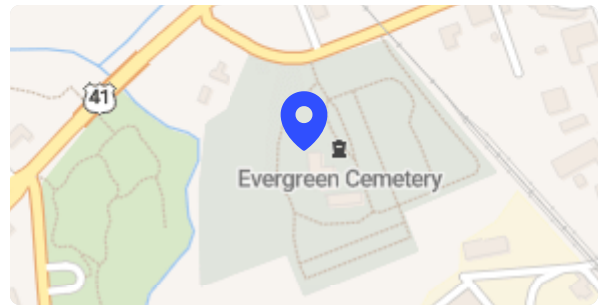
## Visitation

- Friday, October 4, 2024**
- 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM ET
- Perry Methodist Church**  
1002 Carroll Street, Perry GA 31069
- In the FAMILY LIFE CENTER



## Cemetery Details

- Evergreen Cemetery**  
720 Main Street, Perry GA 31069





## Tribute Wall

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NA

**Narayana** sent a Love's Embrace Roses – Purple to the TALTON family.

October 3 at 6:33 AM



NA

**Narayana** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ELIZABETH.

October 3 at 6:33 AM



DO

**Dr. Samuel Ofori** sent a Simply Lily to the TALTON family.

October 3 at 6:24 AM



DO

**Dr. Samuel Ofori** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ELIZABETH.

October 3 at 6:24 AM



ES

**Elizabeth Scheibert** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Elizabeth's family during this time. I have many fond memories of the good times we shared with Elizabeth and Richard while Nash and Richard served on the Flint EMC Board.

October 2 at 6:34 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Pink & White Sympathy Standing Spray to the TALTON family.

October 2 at 4:32 AM





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BP

**Bonnie, David, David Iii & Blake Perdue** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of ELIZABETH.



October 2 at 4:32 AM

BP

**Blake Perdue** posted:

She was a wonderful and loving woman who I have many fond memories of from my childhood. We will miss her!

September 30 at 4:56 PM

DE

**Diane Elliott** posted:

Jean, so sorry for the loss of your dear mother. Diane McSwain Elliott

September 28 at 2:23 PM

SA

**Sandy Adkins** lit a candle in honor of ELIZABETH.

Hugs and prayers to all.....



September 28 at 7:30 AM

FW

**Faye Wilson** posted:

Prayers for all the family. She was the epitome of a classy southern lady. Thinking of all of you, Faye Wilson

September 28 at 7:15 AM

GB

**Gayle, Frank And Brandon Borah** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Gayle, Frank and Brandon Borah Byron, Ga 31008

September 28 at 5:55 AM



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**Andy Flowers** posted:

Talton Sisters and family, Mrs. Elizabeth was a true southern matriarch. Always looking as if she just left the beauty parlor and dressed to walk a runway while serving as a hostess of a social event. She raised three amazing daughters and she can be seen in each of you and those strong traits continue with your daughters. I pray your family takes comfort in all the wonderful memories you have of her.

September 27 at 5:52 PM



**Kathy Talton** posted:

Joye, Jean, Richielynn and families, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Aunt "Liz" was a true southern lady who welcomed me into the family when Wayne and I got married. I loved when we would go over to visit her and Uncle Richard, and hear the stories she had to share! I sure thought a lot of her and I know you all will miss her dearly!! Prayers for you all!!

September 27 at 3:24 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring ELIZABETH by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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