



## Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker

January 19, 1932 - July 7, 2025

Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker of St. Charles, AR died July 7, 2025. She was born January 19, 1932 in Strayhorn, MS, to Jesse and Ora Lee Rowe; She was the youngest daughter of her siblings—Jack, Robert, Pete, Autrey Mae, Troy, and Sonny. Her younger years were spent on the family farm in Savage, MS and she graduated from Tate County Agricultural High School in Senatobia, MS. Evelyn married the love of her life, Thomas Earl Coker, on July 14, 1949 in DeSoto County, MS, by Baptist minister Reverend Brooks McMaster. They shared a lifetime of love, devotion, and dedication to the Lord, serving in various teaching, music, and leadership roles in their church. Together they raised four children, Cathy Palomo (David), Michael Coker (Glenda), Darrell Coker (Natalie), and Paul Coker (Stacey). She loved sharing stories about her grandchildren, Misty Derrick (Chris), Brandon Palomo (Allison), B. J. Palomo, Jereme Coker (Brittany), Tess Coker (Alex), Eden Jones (Cody), Anna Coker, and great grandchildren, Madelyn Derrick, Callen Palomo, and Michael Coker. Her last sibling, Sonny Rowe, joined Evelyn in heaven on July 9, 2025.

Evelyn was a beloved member of St. Charles Baptist Church, active in her community, an avid gardener, and was renowned for her delicious homemade pies.

The family appreciates the exceptional caregiving provided by Hospice

Homecare Little Rock, Glenda Coker Johnson, and Jamie Wilson.

A celebration of her life will be held Thursday, July 17, 2025, at St. Charles Baptist Church, 804 Broadway Ave., St. Charles, AR. Visitation 1:00 p.m.; Service 2:00 p.m.; Private Burial at Cedarcrest Memorial Gardens, Dewitt, AR; Memorials may be made to St. Charles Baptist Church, P.O. Box 241, St. Charles, AR 72140.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedarcrest Memorial Gardens

Hwy 1  
DeWitt, AR 72042

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St Charles Baptist Church  
804 Broadway Ave  
St Charles, AR 72140  
(870) 282-3298

## Celebration of Life

JUL 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Charles Baptist Church  
St. Charles, AR 72140

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ To the Coker family so sorry to hear about Mrs. Evelyn. She was one of the sweetest people we knew, always loved seeing her and Mr. Tom when we came back to visit at St. Charles church. Jerry has wonderful memories of her when he was growing up in St. Charles. She also made wonderful coconut and chocolate pies, when we were there for potluck. She will be missed by everyone, all of you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Jerry, Jan and Alyson Dawson - July 17, 2025 at 12:29 PM

TF

“ The Croft Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



The Croft Family - July 17, 2025 at 10:10 AM

TF

“ The Croft Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.

The Croft Family - July 17, 2025 at 10:10 AM

SC

“ Sunshine committee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



Sunshine committee - July 16, 2025 at 11:28 AM

FB

“ From Andy and Maria Bryant purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



From Andy and Maria Bryant - July 14, 2025 at 08:34 PM

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“ From Andy and Maria Bryant planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.

From Andy and Maria Bryant - July 14, 2025 at 08:34 PM

PD

“ Prentice And Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker



Prentice and Sue Davis - July 14, 2025 at 08:11 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



July 14, 2025 at 06:29 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.

July 14, 2025 at 06:29 AM



“ I'm so grateful for the fond memories I have of Ms. Evelyn and Mr. Tom. Our weekly encounters at Kroger were always a highlight, filled with warm conversations and Mr. Tom's gentle companionship. Ms. Evelyn's bright smile and generous hugs made every visit special, and her genuine interest in my life was a precious gift. She was a truly remarkable lady. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this challenging time, and I wish you strength and comfort in the days ahead God Bless.

Marilyn Rousseau - July 14, 2025 at 03:44 AM

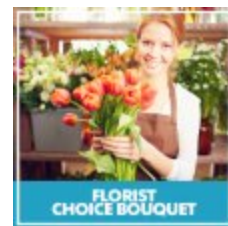


“ Oh Dear Miss Evelyn's Family and Friends: I am asking The Holy Spirit to pour His peace and contentment, comfort and joy, down over you all, like warm honey. I consider myself to be blessed by God, to have known Miss Evelyn, and, Brother Tom, as well! Daddy always commented that "The Biological" (what he called it!!) brought such good people to St. Charles. Thank you all, for sharing your family with mine. Blessings! Libbie Terry Dougan. Phil. 4:13

Libbie Terry Dougan - July 13, 2025 at 06:29 PM



“ Janelle and Michelle Martin purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



Janelle and Michelle Martin - July 13, 2025 at 05:21 AM

JM

“ Janelle and Michelle Martin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.

Janelle and Michelle Martin - July 13, 2025 at 05:21 AM

DD

“ Danny & Debrah (Fleming) Holley & David purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



Danny & Debrah (Fleming) Holley & David - July 12, 2025 at 01:37 PM

EL

“ To all the love of Ms. Evelyn's life...her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids. Ms. Evelyn was a sweet and lovely lady to all who knew her, or just in passing. Mr. Tom and Ms. Evelyn instilled all their sweet traits in their kids to pass on to future generations. Mr. Tom has been missed and now he is rejoicing in Heaven with the love of his life, and Mike is rejoicing with his mom!! My deepest sympathy to all the families!! My Prayers and love for all!!



Ester Poston Hageman, LPN - July 12, 2025 at 01:29 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.



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July 11, 2025 at 09:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Evelyn Maurice Rowe Coker.

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July 11, 2025 at 09:04 PM



“ To my classmate, Darrell, and the rest of the family I want to extend my deepest sympathy. May you find comfort in all your treasured memories of Mrs. Evelyn. Peace be with you.



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**Mary Joy-Richardson** - July 11, 2025 at 08:45 PM