



## Florence Reedy Manning

May 9, 1942 - July 6, 2017

FLORENCE REEDY MANNING, AGE 75

And a resident of Franklinton, died on Thursday, July 6, 2017 at Lakeview Regional Medical Center in Covington.

Mrs. Manning was born on May 9, 1942 and was a lifelong resident of Franklinton. She is remembered by many as a “second mama” while co-owner and operator of Family Recreation Center, the “skating rink.” She also co-owned and operated Manning Enterprises with her husband, Buddy. “Miss Florence,” as she was affectionately known, served several terms as Alderwoman for the Town of Franklinton, and was greatly instrumental in the plans and construction of the current Fire Department, as well as spearheading numerous community beautification and upkeep projects. She served in several civic and community organizations including the Home and Garden Club, Friends of the Library, Varnado Store Museum and the Farmers’ Market, among others. She was involved in many Bible study and Sunday School activities at First Baptist Church, and enjoyed reading, painting, gardening and caring for her treasured pets in her spare time. Miss Florence was well-known as an active and energetic community member who could always be counted on to assist whenever and wherever she was needed to serve the town she loved. Most importantly, she was a constant and devoted companion to her beloved husband, and a kind and loving mother,

grandmother and friend.

She is survived by her husband of fifty-seven years: Percy Cliff "Buddy" Manning, Jr.

4 Sons and Daughters-in-law: Chad and Terri Manning,  
Dan and Chelsea Manning,  
Matt and Kerri Manning, all of Franklinton,  
Ben and Penny Manning of Athens, GA.

12 Grandchildren: Brandon Manning and wife Ashley of Franklinton,  
Kasey Manning of Franklinton,  
Danielle Manning Kline and husband Dennis of League City TX,  
Micki Manning of Pagosa Springs, CO,  
Toby Manning and wife Brittany of Burnet, TX,  
Dalton, Colt and Trinity Manning of Franklinton,  
Blake Manning and fiancé Mary Bryan of Athens GA,  
Elliott, Emily and Jacob Simms of Franklinton,

4 Great-grandchildren: Nicole, Devin, Kenzie and Layla Manning.

Brother and Sister in law: Adrian and Carolyn Reedy of Dallas, TX.

Sister-in-law: Betty Schilling of Franklinton

And numerous extended family members and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents Frank and Peggy Green Reedy,  
brother, Frank Reedy, Jr., parents-in-law Percy and Regina Manning, and  
sister-in-law, Paula Richardson Reedy.

Mrs. Florence devoted her life to service of others, and wanted to continue that legacy after her death. In fulfillment of her final wishes, her earthly body was donated to LSU Medical School Health Sciences Center in New Orleans. A family service and interment will follow at a later time. She would be honored to know of the many warm memories and expressions of caring shown by those whose lives she touched. Her families wish is to extend heartfelt gratitude for the outpouring of love, support and prayers from the community that has been extended during this time.

Obituaries can be viewed online at [www.crainfh.com](http://www.crainfh.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ I remember as a child going to the skating rink every weekend.



bridgett gill - July 13, 2017 at 04:44 PM

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“ The Board of Control and Staff of the Washington Parish Library will always remember the time, consideration and effort made by Mrs. Florence to tend to the needs of the library in Franklinton. She was a great voice for the people of Washington Parish and will be greatly missed.

Al Barron - July 10, 2017 at 09:35 AM

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“ I Will always remember this sweet friend from high school days. Florence gave so much to her community. My prayers are with her family.

Kaye Jean Miller Doss - July 09, 2017 at 05:04 PM

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“ Lib Stafford Scheuermann lit a candle in memory of Florence Reedy Manning



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