



## Ruth M. Gibbs, of Townsend

August 23, 1937 - February 12, 2025

Townsend – Ruth M. (Harmer) Gibbs, 87, passed away peacefully at home on February 12, 2025.

Ruth was born in Lowell on August 23, 1937, a daughter of the late Joseph and Clementine Kenney. For over 15 years, Ruth was the proud owner and operator of the Country Craft Barn in Townsend. She was extremely artistic and enjoyed teaching others by offering craft classes at her business. She was always a friendly face within her community, in which she was very involved. She volunteered at the Senior Center and helped with accounting.

Ruth is survived by her husband of 58 years, George Gibbs of Townsend; her children, John Gibbs of Pepperell, Kathleen Thorpe of Pepperell, and Brenda Martines of Townsend; grandchildren, Timothy Thorpe, Nathan, Nicholas, and Kayla Rose Gibbs, Devin and Keifer Martines; and one great grandson, Michael.

She was predeceased by her son Daniel Gibbs; two grandsons, Shawn Thorpe and Bryan Thorpe, her son in law, Dennis Martines, and two brothers David and William “Billy” Harmer.

Ruth’s funeral and burial will be held privately. Anderson Funeral Home, 250 Main St., Townsend, is assisting the family.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 1120 Framingham, MA 01701 or at [cancer.org](https://www.cancer.org)

# Tribute Wall

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“ I did not know Mrs. Gibbs but i had a high school friendship with her son, John. Any mother raising such a nice and hardworking guy had to be a wonderful mom. My condolences to the Gibbs family. -Sam Gregg

Sam Gregg - July 23, 2025 at 08:08 AM

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“ So sad to hear of Ruth's passing. She made the head pieces for my bridesmaids and maid of honor. She made beautiful arrangements, very sweet beautiful person.

Denice Shattuck - February 16, 2025 at 05:02 PM

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“ To the Gibbs families I was sad to hear of Ruth passing. I went to her crafts classes on Friday nights with the Townsend fire auxiliary and would stop in to her shop to visit her. Enjoyed the visits. She was a wonderful woman and friend. Cecile Brown Franco



Cecile Franco - February 15, 2025 at 11:33 PM