

Mrs. Thelma Eleanor Ross



Thelma Elanor Ross graduated from the Fort Valley Normal and Industrial School in 1928 and the Fort Valley State College in 1933. She later studied at Atlanta University.

Beginning as a second-grade teacher, she also taught junior high mathematics and high school geography. Mrs. Ross was teaching seventh-grade math at the Houston County Training Center upon her retirement in August 1966.

Mrs. Ross took a personal interest in each of her students. She provided personal hygiene items for less fortunate students, but always did so in a discreet manner. Mrs. Ross is remembered as being a very strict, but loving, caring and motivational teacher.

In 1969, she was honored as Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Ross was also an active community servant, twice receiving awards from the Houston County Department of Family and Children Services. In 2003, she was recognized with an award by the Houston County Training School Joint Reunion Classes of 1958 through 1961 for her exceptional contribution to excellence in education and for her community service. These are just a few of the awards she received over the years.

Mrs. Ross taught for 21 years in Houston County. She now resides in Perry, Georgia.