



Imogene Vannett Arnold

March 16, 1927 - May 17, 2024

Imogene Vannett Arnold was born on March 16, 1927 in Kensett, AR to Ike and Luvenia Arnold. She was the last of eleven children. Albert, Vernelia, Marietta, Basil, Aubrey, Wilce, Massalee, R.L., Ike and Thurman.

At the age of 12 years old she accepted Christ as her personal savior under the leadership of Rev. Brewer. She remained faithful to Centennial Missionary Baptist Church for 84 years until the time of her death. She'd often say, "I was born at Centennial, and I'll die at Centennial." She served as Sunday school teacher, missionary president, on the hospitality ministry, youth director and the music department. She was the organist upon the purchase of the church's first organ. She traveled nationally and internationally with the National Baptist Convention.

She began her education at Kensett Elementary through the 8th grade. There after attended Arkansas Baptist High School and College where she received her associate degree in education. Later to receive her bachelor's degree at Bishop College in Marshall, Texas.

While attending Arkansas Baptist College, she was a member of the Buffalo Girls Basketball Team.

She began her professional career in 1952 at Kensett (Eastside) upon integration she taught at Kensett Elementary School as a 3rd and 4th grade Math teacher. Later to retire after 35 years of teaching. She continued to educate and touch many lives through the years.

Her love for the community soared through many decades. She was a faithful

member of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary and the White County Retired Teachers Association as well as the Kensett Housing Authority, where she served as a board member.

She received a host of accolades, rewards, and acknowledgements. She attended the presidential inauguration in 1993 of President William Jefferson Clinton. She was a die-hard Razorback Fan in the 1900's.

Lastly, she leaves to cherish a host of nieces and nephews along with the extended families of the Whitney's, Crow's, Allen's and Goodlow's. Not to mention her boys who she loved dearly and took care of her diligently on Sundays; Keith, Charles, Terry, Smitty and Earl too.

Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy.

Cemetery Details

White County Memorial Gardens

Eastline Road and Park Avenue
Searcy, AR 72143

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)
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Funeral Service

MAY **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Centennial Baptist Church
Kensett, AR

Tribute Wall



“ *Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Imogene Vannett Arnold*



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - May 24, 2024 at 04:26 PM

RW

“ *Rose A Whitelow lit a candle in memory of Imogene Vannett Arnold*



Rose A Whitelow - May 26, 2024 at 12:59 AM

WS

“ *Praying for the family of Ms. Arnold. She will be deeply missed.*

Willie Strong - May 24, 2024 at 08:53 PM

RF

“ *We loved Miss Imogene. Her guidance and leadership as a commissioner for over 25 years at the Kensett Housing Authority will be sorely missed. Miss Imogene cared deeply for this community and served it well. God bless you.*

Rex Fields - May 24, 2024 at 03:38 PM

VF

“ Vernon Miller family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Imogene Vannett Arnold.



Vernon Miller family - May 23, 2024 at 01:09 PM

RR

“ I remember one time in her math class another girl & I was cheating on a math test & she caught us & took us both to the principals office. We both were so scared , the other girl to the point of crying, when Mrs. Arnold Sat is down in the office and gave us opportunity to confess and we did. She then proceeded to tell us how wrong cheating was and why. I've never forgotten that day & what she said, infact I do not cheat to this day because of the wisdom she instilled in me and my friend that day. She was amazing and kind. I loved her then and forever. She will be missed.

Robyn (Harden) Redding - May 23, 2024 at 09:49 AM

AD

“ Addie lit a candle in memory of Imogene Vannett Arnold



Addie - May 22, 2024 at 06:32 PM