



Jerry Lynn Gardner

April 11, 1953 - August 8, 2025

Jerry Lynn Gardner, 72, of Searcy, passed away peacefully on August 8, 2025. She was born on April 11, 1953, in Mendenhall, Mississippi, to the late L.V. Gardner and Minnie Gardner (Griffin). She accepted Christ at an early age and was a member at Bethlehem Baptist Church for many years.

Jerry graduated from Searcy High School. She was employed in sales at Sears and Roebuck for over 20 years until the company closed. She later joined the human resources department at Walmart Distribution Center for 25 years, retiring when her health declined.

Jerry enjoyed many hobbies, including shopping, working word finds, solving crossword puzzles, savoring good food, listening to music, spending time with her family, and watching western movies. She was a self-proclaimed “shopaholic” and a giver at heart—shopping not only for herself but also to bless others. Earlier in life, she was faithful in her community, often checking on the elderly and helping anyone in need.

She loved all of her nieces and nephews as if they were her own children and was known for her funny sense of humor and her ability to always speak her mind.

Jerry’s favorite scripture was Proverbs 3:5–6 (NIV): “Trust in the Lord with all

your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.”

She is survived by her siblings: Minnie Johnson (Joe) of Fort Worth, Texas; Willie Jean Gardner of Searcy, Arkansas; Maxine Levels (Marvin) of Fort Worth, Texas; Bobbie Gardner of Searcy, Arkansas; Ernestine Tyler of Dallas, Texas; Beverly Williams (Wallace) of Mesquite, Texas; Butch Gardner (Sheila) of Searcy, Arkansas; Charles Gardner (Melissa) of Searcy, Arkansas; Dwayne Gardner (Felecia) of Palestine, Texas; and Paula Gardner of Little Rock, Arkansas, as well as a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and extended family members that will miss her dearly.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her brother, Larry Gardner, Sr; brother-in-law, Joe Johnson, and brother-in-law, Marvin Levels.

Jerry's generous heart and sense of humor left a lasting imprint on everyone she met. She will be missed deeply and remembered with love and laughter.

Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, August 16, 2025, at 2:00pm, at Powell Funeral Home in Searcy. Visitation will precede the service, beginning at 1:00pm. Interment will follow at White County Memorial Gardens in Searcy.

Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. www.powellfuneralhome.net

Cemetery Details

White County Memorial Gardens

Eastline Road
Searcy, AR 72143

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 16. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)
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Funeral Service

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Interment

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Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Jerry Lynn Gardner



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - August 16, 2025 at 09:43 AM

G.

“ I would like to offer my condolences to the Gardner Family on the passing of Jerry Lynn. May God continue to bless and keep you.
Gwen Turner

G.Turner - August 16, 2025 at 04:44 PM

AW

“ Art and Rose Mary Wash planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Lynn Gardner.

Art and Rose Mary Wash - August 15, 2025 at 03:12 PM

AW

“ Art and Rose Mary Wash purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry Lynn Gardner.



Art and Rose Mary Wash - August 15, 2025 at 03:12 PM

DM

“ Daphne McBeth planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Lynn Gardner.

Daphne McBeth - August 15, 2025 at 10:08 AM

DM

“ Daphne McBeth purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry Lynn Gardner.



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PS

“ Pastor Melvin C. & Angela Shead Sr purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry Lynn Gardner.



Pastor Melvin C. & Angela Shead Sr - August 14, 2025 at 10:50 PM

BE

“ Beth E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Lynn Gardner.

Beth E. - August 14, 2025 at 07:43 PM

JB

“ James I. Baker lit a candle in memory of Jerry Lynn Gardner



James I. Baker - August 14, 2025 at 02:51 PM

MG

“ I am deeply saddened in the passing of Jerry Lynn. She definitely had a giving spirit. I am grateful to be a part of such a loving family. May God continue yp give you strength. Love you all!



Melinda Gardner - August 13, 2025 at 11:53 PM

MG

May God continue to give each of you strength.

Melinda Gardner - August 13, 2025 at 11:55 PM

MF

“ MT.OLIVE Church Family. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jerry Lynn Gardner.



MT.OLIVE Church Family. - August 13, 2025 at 09:30 AM

GT

“ To the Gardner family, My condolences to all of you'll on Jerry's passing. I worked with Jerry at Walmart for many years,



Gerald Trammell - August 12, 2025 at 09:30 PM

AB

“ Addie Banks lit a candle in memory of Jerry Lynn Gardner



Addie Banks - August 12, 2025 at 08:39 PM

BF

“ BHECH Family purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Jerry Lynn Gardner.



BHECH Family - August 12, 2025 at 10:31 AM