



Nadene Holley

March 19, 1934 - January 1, 2024

Nadene Cartwright Holley, 89, of Searcy passed away on Monday, January 1, 2024. She was born March 19, 1934, in Optimus, Arkansas to the late Hulbert and Ada Cartwright.

Nadene was known for loving to take care of others. She had four passions, her love for the Lord, her love for her family, her love of nursing and her love to serve others through hospitality. Nadene served as a nurse for over 60 years and held nursing license in four different states due to her and Ray's time in the military and moving to different duty stations. Nadene loved her family fiercely. She was loved deeply by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren and was the glue that held the family together. Nadene's gift of hospitality was well known by the revolving door of cooking and baking and visiting with anyone who was need. Her mission was to show Christ to everyone she met. She was a very active member of Valley Baptist Church in Searcy for 30 years where she constantly served others in ministry.

Nadene leaves behind her loving husband of 69 years, Charles Ray Holley, son Tim Holley (Judy) of Cartersville, Ga, four grandsons, Chris Rutledge (Rhonda) of Fort Worth, Tx, Spencer Scoggin of Batesville, Ar, Tyler Holley of Cartersville, Ga and Matthew (Emily) Holley of Cartersville, Ga. Her 6 great-grandchildren, Autumn, Rachel, Trinity, Holly, Rayann, and David along with

two great-great-grandchildren Dallas and Adrian. She is proceeded in death by her daughter, Linda Rae Holley.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 5, 2024, at 2:00pm at Valley Baptist Church, Searcy Ar. with Bro. James Hays officiating. Visitation will be from 1:00pm-2:00pm at the church prior to the service. Interment will be at Egener Cemetery, Southside, Ark. Funeral services will be livestreamed at <https://valleybaptistchurch.com/livestream>

In lieu of flowers, the family ask that donations to Gideons International (www.gideons.org) for purchase of Bibles to spread the Gospel.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (cst)

Valley Baptist Church
3328 W. Beebe-Capps
3328 W. Hwy 36
Searcy, AR 72143

Memorial Service

JAN 5. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (cst)

Valley Baptist Church
3328 W. Beebe-Capps
3328 W. Hwy 36
Searcy, AR 72143

Burial

JAN 5. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (cst)

Egner Cemetery
Hwy 14
Batesville, AR 72501

Tribute Wall

JA

“ *My thoughts are with Mrs Holley's beautiful family. I worked with this sweet lady and her precious daughter-in-law, Judy at General Dynamics in Camden. Mrs Holley was a beautiful soul.*

Joy Hutcheson, Camden AR - June 26, 2025 at 04:45 PM

TT

“ *I'm sorry for the passing of Mrs. Nadine. She was so sweet, sassy and kind. She made me feel like I was around my own family. She was amazing always listening to what I had to say or cry about then give me advice or a hug even when I'm sure she would have loved to kick me in the rear. My thoughts and prayers are with her husband and family.*

Tabitha Taylor - January 08, 2024 at 11:30 AM

GH

Ray, we just found out about Nadine. We are sorry, You have our prayers. Tod Glenda Horner

Glenda Horner - February 23, 2024 at 08:00 PM

NC

“ *Nancy Crouch lit a candle in memory of Nadene Holley*



Nancy Crouch - January 05, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nadene Holley.*



January 05, 2024 at 11:57 AM



“ *Loretta and Mike Kinsella planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nadene Holley.*

Loretta and Mike Kinsella - January 04, 2024 at 10:45 PM



“ *Loretta and Mike Kinsella purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Nadene Holley.*



Loretta and Mike Kinsella - January 04, 2024 at 10:45 PM



“ *Mrs. Nadine and Ray opened their arms to us when we first came to Calvary in October of 1985! What a blessing your family has been to ours, all these years. I am so sorry for Mrs. Nadine's passing, but I know she went to the place that God is preparing for those who love Him. I Praise God for her life lived for The Lord Jesus! Don Phillips Calvary Baptist East Camden*

Don Phillips - January 04, 2024 at 01:17 PM

CP

“ *Nadine was one of a kind. She was always loving and kind to me. Enjoyed her in the JOY group where everyone loved her Dumplings. She knew I loved to cook for people and sent me a birthday card, and it had her special dumpling recipe in it. She said now it's your turn to take over. I've made them many times for folks carrying on her loving tradition although I don't think they're as good as hers. She will always be one of my favorite people. She told me of her very poor childhood and having to learn to cook when she was very very young. Nadine has a wonderful testimony in so many ways. Rest in Peace sweet lady. Prayers and condolences to her family. She will be missed.*

Carla P. - January 04, 2024 at 11:42 AM

NR

“ *Prayers for Tim, Mr. Ray and the rest of the family. Mrs. Holley was such an inspiration to me during my youth days at Calvary Baptist in East Camden. We always loved going to her house as she was always the most wonderful host. I remember her smile and jokes and laughter. She was a great role model for me as a nurse! She will be greatly missed. Nina Franklin Roy*

Nina Roy - January 03, 2024 at 08:50 PM

BD

“ *Ray so sorry for your and our loss. She will be missed so much. We loved her.*

Bridget and David - January 03, 2024 at 07:33 PM

SW

“ Had the honor of being one in many that loved this special lady ! I loved going to see her on my lunch break when I worked at LOF ! We talked about everything! Praying for her husband & family ! God has gained another angel ! ❤️

sherry Waller - January 03, 2024 at 07:24 PM

PH

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Priscilla &Mike Henderson - January 03, 2024 at 06:23 PM

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Priscilla &Mike Henderson - January 03, 2024 at 06:26 PM

MS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I have such fond memories of Mrs. Holley from years past. I still use her beef stew recipe she shared with me through Judy.
God bless you all.

Mary Schneider - January 03, 2024 at 05:18 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Nadene Holley.*



January 03, 2024 at 05:16 PM



“ *It was a blessing to know Nadene and Ray. I am so sorry for your loss. She is in heaven walking on streets of gold. I know she is BBC already missed beyond measure.*

Gwen ANDerson - January 03, 2024 at 04:25 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nadene Holley.*



January 03, 2024 at 11:30 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Nadene Holley.*



January 03, 2024 at 11:01 AM

TW

“ *I worked with Nadene at LOF.....such a wonderful kind lady!*



Tammy Williams - January 02, 2024 at 06:25 PM

LF

“ *One of my favorite memories of Nadene is taking an aerobics class with her when I was in high school. Oh, how we laughed!*

Lora Fife - January 02, 2024 at 03:15 PM

LF

“ *Lora Fife purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nadene Holley.*



Lora Fife - January 02, 2024 at 03:05 PM