



## Verna Mae Floristine Franklin

October 28, 1936 - May 7, 2023

Verna Mae Floristine Franklin, born October 28, 1936 in Augusta, Arkansas, was the sixth child (all girls) born of the late Augustus Naaman and Ruth Julia Wilson Franklin. All her sisters preceded her in death; Emily Maruoka, Sarah Massey, Gwendolyn Rogers, Ruth Guest, Helen Stiles, and a nephew, Malvin Massey, Jr. of Memphis, Tennessee. Because she was the baby of the family she had great relationships with all her nieces and nephews. She was very generous and kept up with what everyone was doing. She confessed her hope in Christ at an early age and stayed in church her whole life. Even when her health failed she continued to commune with her brothers and sisters in the faith. Verna Mae graduated from Carver High School in August and received her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Arkansas in Pine Bluff. She was a gifted and devoted teacher and taught in Augusta for a while and Los Angeles, California, before moving to New York to teach high school. She loved writing songs and composed a number of religious refrains which she shared with all her family. She was happy and kind and energetic, never forgot a birthday and attended all family functions. On Sunday morning, May 7th God called Verna Mae home. She leaves to cherish her memory nine nieces; seven nephews; and a host of grand nieces and nephews; from all over the world. Verna Mae is the last of the Augusta, Arkansas Franklins of an entire generation and she will be sorely missed

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home of Woodruff County  
700 North 9th Street  
P.O. Box 507  
Augusta, AR 72006  
(870) 347-2576  
powellwoodruff@gmail.com  
<https://www.powellfuneralhome.net/>

## Funeral Service

MAY 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Burial

MAY 22 (CT)

Mason Cemetery  
Augusta, AR 72006

# Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Verna Mae Floristine Franklin



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**Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - May 22, 2023 at 10:03 AM

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