



Verna Vivian Mansell

December 30, 1923 - December 22, 2023

Verna Vivian (Van Horn) Mansell of Searcy, Arkansas, passed away on December 22, 2023. She was born on December 30, 1923, in Zanesville, Ohio, to George and Merle Van Horn and lived in Corning, Ohio, during her early years. After working in Columbus, Ohio, and attending Harding College, she married Ralph Mansell in 1953. They resided in Midland, Michigan, for 39 years before retiring to Searcy in October, 1990.

Verna was a homemaker, wonderful cook, seamstress, and known for her hospitality. She was a member of the College Church of Christ in Searcy and served at His House ministry for several years. She was also involved with Associated Women for Harding (AWH), the "Pins" quilting group, and was a Red Hat Lady.

She is survived by her three children, Patty Olree (Tim) of Allen, Texas, Connie Muncy (Zac) of Searcy, and David Mansell of Larkspur, California; four grandchildren, Julie Mabry (Mike), Amy Evans (Ben), Brad Muncy, and Blake Muncy (Jill); and four great-grandchildren, Marley Mabry, Haven Mabry, Valerie Muncy, and Lucy Evans. She was predeceased by her husband of 63 years, Ralph, and her parents.

The family wishes to thank the employees of Harding Place in Searcy, Southern Caregivers in Searcy, The House of Three in Searcy, and Arkansas

Hospice, who showed great kindness to her as they ministered to her in recent times.

Funeral services will be at the Powell Funeral Home in Searcy on December 30, 2023 (her 100th birthday), with visitation at 10:00 a.m. and a celebration of life at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow at the Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Searcy.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her honor to His House Ministry at College Church of Christ, or Harding University.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

100 E. Moore Ave.
Searcy, AR 72143

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)
2602 W. Beebe-Capps Expy
Searcy, AR 72143
(501) 268-7220
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Funeral Service

DEC 30. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

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Burial

DEC 30. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (cst)

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens
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Tribute Wall



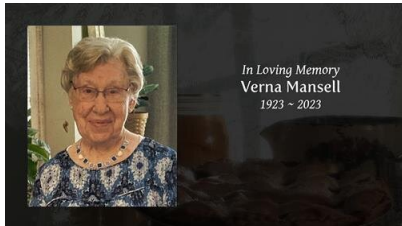
“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Verna Vivian Mansell



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - December 30, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Verna Vivian Mansell



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - December 28, 2023 at 11:02 AM



“ Verna was one of my very favorite ladies! I enjoyed the video of pictures of her! I'm so glad I got to see her a few years ago at Bonnie Sitter's house. Sincerely, Mary Pulley

Mary Pulley - August 29, 2025 at 12:04 PM

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“ Verna was a sweet down-the-street neighbor. My husband and I used to walk with her and Ralph and enjoyed their company. I rejoice with her in her victory.

Jean Tate - December 27, 2023 at 12:54 PM

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“ She was a very sweet, special lady. Blessings, Sherry Nossaman

Sherry Nossaman - December 26, 2023 at 04:10 PM