



Edna Vivian Simmons

May 18, 1930 - August 19, 2020

Edna Vivian McDavid Simmons 05/18/30 - 08/19/20 Edna Vivian McDavid Simmons was born on May 18, 1930 to William Blake and Edna Devereaux McDavid in Moss Point, Mississippi. She enjoyed a wholesome small-town childhood and youth. Vivian married Albert Mack Simmons, also a native of Moss Point, on June 6, 1951, and soon moved to Germany for his Army assignment. They enjoyed their time in Germany, and brought home a baby daughter, Lenora Edna. They had another daughter eight years later, Lisa Ann. This began a lifetime of many moves to many different places. Mack eventually started working with Control Data Corporation and was transferred to Virginia, Louisiana, Atlanta, Huntsville, Washington DC, and ultimately To Zürich, Switzerland, where they spent three years taking advantage of every work break to travel in all directions, gathering friendships along the way. Lastly, they were stationed in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where Vivian did not enjoy that cold weather! Once Mack retired, they headed back to their beloved (and warm!) Moss Point to be near family and moved into Vivian's childhood home. They spent 30 years here enjoying friends and family— especially their five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren! Vivian was a devoted and active member of the Methodist church. She belonged to UMW and taught Sunday School at Dantzler United Methodist. She loved working as a dynamite secretary, especially at Lockheed in Huntsville and at the Bloomington Sun newspaper in Minneapolis. She was a fun-loving person who entertained effortlessly and always welcomed a crowd at her dinner table. She played bridge with her sweet bridge buddies and completed the crossword puzzle everyday! She is predeceased by her parents, Edna and W. B. McDavid, and her daughter, Lenora Simmons Lassiter. She leaves behind a loving family, including Mack, her husband of 69 years, a daughter, Lisa Simmons Royal (Roger), son-in-law, Barry Lassiter, grandchildren, Sarah Lassiter Thornton, Eric Lassiter (Jennifer), Emma Royal, Claire Royal Barber (Mark), Ellis Royal; great-grandchildren Willis Lassiter, Tripp Thornton, and Molly Grace Thornton. Vivian's family wishes to thank her friends for their loving concern and the employees of Deaconess Hospice for their compassionate care during her illness.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, August 22, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. at Machpelah Cemetery in Pascagoula, Ms. With Rev. David Huffman and Rev. David Greer officiating.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, face masks and social distancing are required.
Holder-Wells Funeral Home, Moss Point, MS, is in charge of arrangements.

Comments



“ I had the privilege of knowing Mrs Vivian over the last six years. She was such a sweet and kind person; a woman of faith. I always enjoyed our conversations and visits. My heart goes out to Mack, Lisa, Vivian’s other family members and her friends. May you all feel the sweetness of the Holy Spirit and memories of good times you share keep Mrs. Vivian close in heart. My condolences. Lisa Clark Cannon

Lisa Cannon - September 03, 2020 at 08:36 AM



“ I was honored to meet and care for Mrs. Simmons, and to come to know your family. She was very special, as are all of you. I pray you will feel God’s love, comfort, and blessings in the days and weeks ahead.

Barbara Bridwell, RN
Deaconess Hospice

Barbara Bridwell - August 21, 2020 at 11:06 PM



“ I had the honor of knowing her the last eight years! Such a lovely person! Another Belle has passed on to heaven! So very sorry!

Sincerely,
Kathy Bodden Allen and her friends of the Fortnightly Club of Moss Point.

Kathy Bodden Allen - August 21, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Edna Vivian Simmons.



August 21, 2020 at 12:40 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Edna Vivian Simmons.



August 21, 2020 at 09:46 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edna Vivian Simmons.



August 21, 2020 at 09:32 AM