



## Patricia Fredna Merritt

March 28, 1932 - July 28, 2018

Patricia Fredna Tucker Merritt of Bushnell, FL passed away on Saturday July 28, 2018 in St. Petersburg, FL. She was born on March 18, 1932, to Coyette (Ragland) and Patrick Tucker of Bibb County, Alabama. She graduated from Albert G. Parish High School. She earned a BS degree in Nursing from the Jefferson Hillman School of Nursing and the University of Alabama. She worked as a registered nurse for 43 years. She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She loved serving in her Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, Red Hat Club, fishing, sewing, being a fan at all her family's sporting events, and loved South Sumter Raider, Florida State University, and University of Alabama Football.

Survivors include her children: Sabrina (Randy) Baker of Wildwood, FL, Cheryl (Phil) Sanchez of Treasure Island, FL, and Derl (Lisa) Merritt of Bushnell FL; grandchildren: Jarrett Baker of Bushnell, FL, Derek (Brianne) Baker of Center Hill FL, Jason (Ashley) Sanchez, Jarrett (Lisa) Sanchez and Chase (Paula) Sanchez of St. Petersburg, FL; eight great-grandchildren: Callie, Kennedy, and Khloe Baker, Tucker, Sawyer, Haven, Preston, and Skyler Sanchez; sister Bettie-Jean Golden of Montgomery, AL; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Mrs. Merritt is preceded in death by her loving husband of 56 years Joe D. "Buddy" Merritt, sisters, Melba Cummings of San Jose, California and Linda Shoemaker of Birmingham, Alabama. Visitation and ServiceServices will be held at Purcell Funeral Home Chapel Tuesday August

7, 2018 at 2 p.m. with a time of visitation starting at 1 p.m. Interment will follow at Sumterville Cemetery, Sumterville, Florida.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lane Purcell Hospice c/o Cornerstone Hospice 2445 Lane Park Rd. Tavares, FL 32778.

Arrangements entrusted to Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *TO All:  
We are so sorry of the passing of your Mom. We all cherish all the past memories our family had with all of you. Those were some precious times. Sending our prayers and love to all. Beth Veal Irving and Family*

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**Beth Veal Irving** - August 01, 2018 at 01:16 PM

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“ *Sabrina: I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. She was a very sweet lady. Sending prayers of comfort.*

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**Rebecca K Hampton** - August 01, 2018 at 01:07 AM