



Violet May Purcell

October 11, 1931 - October 4, 2023

Violet May Purcell, 91, died October 4th, 2023. She was born in Berthold, North Dakota and moved to The Villages in 1983 from Abilene, Texas. She was a Homemaker, a US Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict, and a member of the Lady Lake American Legion Post #347.

She enjoyed rollerblading, dancing, traveling, listening to music, crossword puzzles, driving her Miata and spending time with her family and friends.

Survivors include her son: Allen Lee (Cheryl) Purcell, Abilene, Texas; Daughter: Nina Diane Purcell, Orlando, Florida; Sister: Dorothy (Arnold) Monson, New London, Minnesota, and her Nieces and Nephews.

Inurnment will take place at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL.

The Family requests contributions to a charity of their choice in the memory of Mrs. Purcell, in lieu of flowers.

Arrangements entrusted to the Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake/The Villages Chapel.

Tribute Wall

NP

“ I’ll have a hole in my heart for a while after losing Mom, but I remind myself how much she is loving paradise and seeing Jesus face-to-face. She is dancing like David danced & rejoicing and praising our Father. She has joined my Dad and those who have gone before her. What a grand celebration & reunion that is! I would not want her back if I had that power because she suffered so much at the end. She saw “a beautiful angel with a halo” about two hours before going home to Jesus. She then saw a crowd of people she didn’t recognize. My theory is they were the lives she touched without knowing she had. She was like that. She loved people and never judged anyone, always had a smile on her face, didn’t know a stranger & had a loving attitude to everyone who crossed her path. She will be missed. I have another reason to look forward to heaven. She unbeknownst to me told her sister she wanted the “In the Mood” (look it up) song played at her inurnment. She loved to dance and I can just see her jitterbugging up a storm, one song after another after another and after another. I hope you enjoy the song as much as she did. God bless you!”

https://youtu.be/_CI-0E_jses?si=ysXOlVoj-3FRSlh6

Nina Purcell - October 29, 2023 at 07:25 PM

CP

“ I was incredibly blessed to have Vi as my mother-in-love. We will miss her for the rest of our lives, but we are relieved that she is with the Lord and she is no longer suffering.

I frequently said that I won the mother-in-law jackpot. (I really did!) She was kind, loving, thoughtful, completely nonjudgmental of everyone, fun, funny (often saying things without realizing at first what she said, leading to some hilarious and sometimes awkward moments that were told and retold dozens of times), and adventurous (roller blading and paragliding past 70, zip lining in her early 80s).

And she was so much more. She was the world’s cheerleader, an encourager, tenacious (especially when someone said she couldn’t do something), resourceful, the “queen of clean” (but she would never have so much as a critical thought about anyone else’s dirty or cluttered house), and when someone was rude to her, she would “kill them with kindness.”

She loved her Mazda Miata (complete with “eyelashes” above the headlights!), she was a sharp dresser, classy, and a great travel companion. She was the real deal.

I talked to her the day before she passed. When I told her I loved her, she responded with her usual “I love you more,” although she could barely speak.

I love you and miss you, Mother! I will see you soon!

Cheryl Purcell - October 12, 2023 at 02:44 PM

SB

“ One year I went to the Villages for Xmas to meet Nina and met Vi for the first time. We met up with Vi's friends and I met her boyfriend Don. A group of us ate Xmas dinner at Toojays. Afterwards we all met at a house where every room was a different shade of purple. We all toasted Xmas and had an enjoyable conversation. Vi and her friends were older but boy they had more of a life than Nina and I. This was one of my favorite Xmas memories. Vi was a super person and Nina takes after her.

susan brown - October 12, 2023 at 10:11 AM

KC

“ Aunt Vi was the best Aunt anyone could ask for. I loved her with all my heart. I will truly miss her.

kathy crumley - October 11, 2023 at 09:41 AM

AC

“ I met Vi in 2003 when i 1st moved down here, at the American Legion 347! She was the nicest, friendliest, woman i met at the Legion! We talked alot & danced alot together! I started visiting at her home at her home in the Villages. I use to bring my little yorkie dog over to play with Ali & the 1st time they ran around like crazy chancing each other in the yard & in the house around & around! I knew she loved to go to the movies with her daughter Nina so i would get her gift cards all the time, which she enjoyed an place she loved to eat lunch at! Then my fondest memory was when a hurricane & tornado was hitting our area my sister Judy, Vi & I all went to a motel together & stay in 1 room together with 1 bed & 1 sofa, & our 2 dogs! We had a Pajama Party! I went to visit her alot in both places & my last visit about a week before she passed away! God love her & may she RIP (rest in peace) going to miss you a lot 🙏❤️😭☐😭 Amy Connors

Amy Connors - October 11, 2023 at 08:21 AM

DB

“ I met Vi in 2015 when she come into the vet clinic I groomed in to bring in a baby squirrel she had rescued and didn't know what to do , we'll I had rehabbed for many yrs so I took the baby squirrel and raised her and started a great new friendship with Sweet Vi , then she introduced me to Ali and I became her groomer and I still am and will be until she crosses the bridge, in 2017 when I opened my own groom shop Vi was sure to follow and then she met my husband Mr Phil and of course became great friends with him, we have always looked forward to our monthly visits from Vi and Ali pulling in with the Precious car with the lashes 😊 ... oh how we enjoyed our sometime very lengthy conversation together ✨✨✨ always a Shining Star in our hearts Vi, ... R.I.P. and Dance in the Heavens above ✨🙏❤️🙏 ✨, in our Hearts forever ❤️ Miss Debi and Mr Phil Bucher



Deborah Galasso Bucher - October 11, 2023 at 12:37 AM

JC

“ Vi was more like a mother to me than my own. She was the sunshine of my life being the bestest of everything from a neighbor, friend, confidant, and smile maker. The day I moved next door to Vi she introduced herself saying she would do anything in the world for me except one thing and that was she would never cook for me. So who appreciated home cooking no matter if it was pancakes or meatloaf? Vi will always light up my heart with beautiful memories of her silly stories that were always true and her positive spirit and like me with her strong will to live each moment to the fullest. All of us who knew Vi are so very grateful to have experienced her not just to say hello. I can't imagine my life this last ten years without Vi in it as my neighbor and beloved friend. Thank you Vi for being such a loving beautiful person. Jackie Chase

Jackie Chase - October 09, 2023 at 10:06 PM



Jackie, Vi loved you like a daughter! You were truly a blessing to her!

Cheryl Purcell - October 10, 2023 at 09:54 AM