



Winnie M. Merritt

January 24, 1929 - September 22, 2019

Winnie M. Merritt, 90, of The Villages, formerly of Bushnell, passed away Sunday, September 22, surrounded by her loving family.

Winnie was born in Brooksville, Florida to Charles and Mary Ellen Young. She was a member of the Bushnell Presbyterian Church and the Beta Sigma Phi sorority. She held a Business Degree from Tampa Business College and worked in Banking for over 30 years, retiring in 1990. Through numerous bank mergers, Winnie held a variety of banking responsibilities, including Supervisor. Winnie loved crafts and sewing and created season and holiday items for family, friends and church. No puzzle was too big a challenge or too large for Winnie. She loved bingo, square dancing and Canasta. But nothing was more important than family and friends.

She is survived by her daughters Doreen Oswald (Emily) of Wildwood and Linda Thornton (Randall) of Lake Panasoffkee. Winnie leaves a sister Margaret Newsome of High Springs, FL. She leaves 6 grandchildren; Magan, Robert, Tiffany, Ashley, Christiane and David and 6 great-grandchildren; Jason, Rachael, Robbie, Matthew, Elliott and Tristan. She was predeceased by her husband Buford Merritt and son Robert Merritt.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Monday, Sept. 30 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Purcell Chapel 114 W. Noble Ave Bushnell, FL. A private

funeral service will be held at the convenience of the family. Donations in her memory may be made to SCARC 213 West McCollum Ave. Bushnell, FL 33513. .

Arrangements entrusted to Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

Tribute Wall

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“*My heart goes out to you and your family on the passing of your grandmother, know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. She was a wonderful woman and I see that you miss her deeply. You have my deepest sympathy.*”

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“*Love and prayers to all who loved and cared for Mrs Merritt, Gods Blessings.*
When Tomorrow Starts Without Me
When tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand, that an angel came and called my name, took me by the hand: The angel said my place was ready, In Heaven far above, and that I would have to leave behind all those I dearly loved. But when I walked through Heavens Gates, I felt so much at home, for God looked down, smiled at me and told me Welcome Home.
So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart, for every time you think of me, I'm right there in your heart.
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