



## Ms. Ernestine Gardner

September 13, 1927 - October 15, 2021

Ernestine Gardner, 94, of Peoria departed this life on Friday, October 15, 2021 at Transitions Hospice at 9:50 p.m. Ernestine was born on September 13, 1927, in Wilmot, Ark to Sam Wimberly and Essie Dickerson, they precede her in death. Ernestine married Willie R. Gardner Sr., whom also preceded her in death. She obtained an Associates Degree in Adolescent Behavioral Education at Illinois Central College. She attended Holy Temple C.O.G.I.C under the leadership, as a dedicated member. Ernestine was a great storyteller of her family history and would pass it down to all her grandchildren, whom she loved dearly. Word Search puzzles and watching golfing was her hobbies.

Ernestine leaves to cherish her precious memory one son: Willie R. Gardner Jr of Peoria; three daughters: Sheila (Larry) Scott, Sharon Gardner, and Sandra Gardner all of Peoria; three sisters: Arteila Henry, Anola Byers, and Bonnie Dedrick all of Pine bluff, Ark; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren and host of family and friends who will miss her dearly.

Ernestine was preceded in death by her parents Sam Wimberly and Essie Dickerson; husband: Willie R. Gardner Sr.; two sons: Gregory and Gary Gardner.

Ernestine's Celebration of Life Visitation Service will be held Saturday,

November 6, 2021, at T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Ernestine will be laid to rest at Swan Lake Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Swan Lake

4601 W War Memorial Drive  
Peoria, IL 61615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

T W Parks Colonial Chapel  
201 N. Macarthur Hwy.  
Peoria, IL 61605  
(309) 674-6323  
<http://www.twparkscolonialchapel.com>

## Graveside Service

NOV 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Swan Lake  
4601 W War Memorial Drive  
Peoria, IL 61615

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Carrie Trent lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ernestine Gardner* ”



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**Carrie Trent** - June 04, 2024 at 10:09 AM

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“ *Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ernestine Gardner* ”



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**Joanie Brown** - November 04, 2021 at 02:33 AM