



Mrs. Sally Pearl Howard

June 26, 1933 - September 17, 2025

Mrs. Sally P. (Lowery) Howard, 92, of Peoria, IL, entered her eternal rest on Wednesday, September 17, 2025. She was born on June 29, 1933, to Walter and Bertha Lowery in Ruleville, Mississippi. She married Wilbert Howard on October 4, 1979, in Peoria.

Sally lived a life devoted to faith, family, and service to others. She worked at St. Francis Hospital in surgery as a surgical tech for many years and worked as a dental assistant. Over the years she served her church as a pianist and loved being a Sunday School Teacher. She was the proud matriarch of her family – a second mother, counselor, prayer warrior, and best friend.

Sally had a heart as big as her faith. She prayed for her loved ones daily and never missed a moment to remind them how loved they were. She introduced her family to church life early on – and planted seeds of faith that will grow for generations.

Known for her kindness, wisdom, and sincerity, Sally's compassion touched everyone who met her. She also had a feisty spirit that kept her family and friends smiling and on their toes. She took great pride in her granddaughters and her "big guy" (great- great grandson) and she celebrated every accomplishment of her grandchildren.

Sally was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Sally leaves to cherish her most precious memory; one son: Steven Hopson; granddaughters: Shannon Taylor, Jade Malone, and Jacobi Howard; great grandchildren: Raven Taylor, Darah Taylor, Layla Taylor, and Aurie Maxison; great - great grandchild: Jason Bennett III; and a host of relatives and friends. Sally's life was a blessing, her memory a treasure, and her prayers a covering that will remain with her family forever.

A Celebration of Sallys Life will be held on Friday, September 26, 2025, at Higher Dimension Praise and Worship Church at 11:00, with visitation commencing one hour prior at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Marvin Hightower will present the Eulogy.

Sally will be laid to rest at Parkview Cemetery.

Arrangements were made especially for the "Howard" family and professionally directed by T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel. Live streaming can be viewed by clicking the link for TW Parks Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/twparkscolonialchapel>. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of "Sally Pearl Howard" please visit our Sympathy Store.

Cemetery Details

Parkview Cemetery

2001 N. University
Peoria, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Higher Dimensions Praise and Worship Church
2610 W Nebraska Ave
Peoria, IL

Celebration of Life

SEP 26. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Higher Dimensions Praise and Worship Church
2610 W Nebraska Ave
Peoria, IL

Tribute Wall

MY

“ My deepest sympathies are extended to The Family in the homegoing of our dear loved one, Mrs. Sally Howard. She truly was a cornerstone in the music department of New Morning Star Baptist Church for years.

Please know you are in thoughts and prayers of many.

Continued peace and blessings,

*Michael Young,
Washington, D.C.*

Michael Young - September 25, 2025 at 02:24 PM

RS

“ Remembering Ms. Sally is a special moment in my life. Her love and to the younger kids was special. Her faith in God was her strength and her devotion to teaching us was a gift. She knew us by name; she our parents and grandparents. So, if you were difficult... she knew who to talk. Yes, she'll be missed by those who knew her and loved her. On behalf of myself Richard Samuels and my family our hearts go out to all her family.

Richard Samuels - September 24, 2025 at 10:42 PM

ED

“ Condolences to Steve and family. I haven't seen Sally in years, but when I saw her smiling face I knew it was my old neighbor. Mrs Bertha Lowery lived across the street from us in Sixth Street. She had a sunroom full of flowers 🌺 🌸 🌻 but we always knew she was there. We darned not do anything wrong because back then, all parents on your block you respected like your parents.

Euzetta Durlinger - September 24, 2025 at 05:47 PM

PJ

*RIH Mrs Sally.
Patricia Tatum (Johnson)*

Patricia Johnson - September 25, 2025 at 09:12 AM

CB

Steve, you have my condolences 🙏

Connie Burnside - September 25, 2025 at 04:49 PM

SH

*Sending my deepest condolences to Mrs. Sally's family and friends.
Yes ms Sally was a shing light to us as children. I remember her from
when I lived on Sixth street years ago.*

Shirley Willis Hinton - October 17, 2025 at 11:07 AM

BA

“ *Sally was my growing up across 6th St from her neighbor. Never knew anyone as Nice as she. My last chance meeting was about 8 yrs ago when I knocked on a door and we stared at each other and started marveling that we hadn't seen each other for years. She I know has headed for the place her parents have waiting for her and Heaven is the door meant for her to enter. God Bless you Sally you earned your new home.
Bobbie Ashby*

Bobbie Ashby - September 24, 2025 at 12:28 AM

PW

“ *Praying comfort and healing, in Jesus's name.*



Patricia Ward - September 23, 2025 at 11:21 PM

MB

“ *Sally was our young people's choir musician. She played well. And I sang lead in several songs that she backed me in. She was very kind and sweet*

Mary Bolden - September 23, 2025 at 09:31 PM

JG

“ *MRS. HOWARD GAVE ME MY FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO SING IN THE CHOIR AND LEAD A SONG. SHE AND HER MOTHER, MRS. BERTHA LOWERY, WERE A GREAT INSPIRATION TO ME AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE. MY NICKNAME FROM HER WAS JUDY-BABE. VERY FOND MEMORIES!! MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU, STEVE AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY.*

Julia Grubbs - September 23, 2025 at 08:55 PM

D&

“ *On behalf of my mother, Dorothy Randle; Mother Sally has been a friend for many many years to our family. From Morning Star to New Morning Star to Higher Dimensions ✨ where she was a charter member and Church Mother. Do not let her short stature fool you, her charismatic ways, infectious smile and cute giggle contributed to her profound spirit. Her voice was as strong and powerful as the fans screaming in the stands for Michael Jordan shooting a 3 pointer! She would always say Michael Jordan was her boyfriend ☐. Definitely gonna miss hearing her and mom giggling and sharing memories on the phone..prayers to the family!*

Dorothy Randle &Family - September 23, 2025 at 08:52 PM