



## Mrs. Verdiana Mae Nicholson-Jackson

January 31, 1934 - June 18, 2020

Mrs. Verdiana Mae Nicholson-Jackson, 86, of Peoria, IL transitioned to her heavenly home peacefully at 1:45 pm on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at University Rehabilitation at Northmoor, Peoria, IL.

Verdiana was born in Little Rock, AR on January 31, 1934 to Charles and Sarah (Briggs) Jamison. She married Arthur Nicholson and to their union three children were born Tena, Sherri and Susan. Arthur preceded Verdiana in death on December 2, 1982. She later married Malcolm Jackson, he preceded her in death on March 24, 2016.

Verdiana worked at OSF St. Francis Medical Center as a Dietitian. She retired after 10 years of service. Verdiana loved going to church and praising the Lord. She was excellent at and loved solving word puzzles from the daily newspaper. Verdiana was a great cook and loved spending time with her daughters and grandchildren.

Verdiana leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving daughters, Tena Nicholson of Peoria, Sherri Nicholson and Susan Nicholson both of Dallas, TX; one sister, Jerlene Lindsay of Peoria; 3 grandchildren, Arthur "Ron" Harris, Shemaiah "Shy" Green, and Darius "Boo" Thompson; 3 great grandchildren, Jayson Harris, Aurora Green and Vincent Green; and a host of nieces, nephews other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her

parents and 7 siblings.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, June 27, 2020 at Simons Mortuary with a visitation one-hour prior at 10 am. Minister Walter Young of Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ will bring words of comfort. Verdia final resting place will be at Swan Lake Memory Gardens next to her 1st husband. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance limits will be observed.

In lieu of flowers, memorials made be made to the Peoria, Illinois Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](http://SimonsMortuary.com).

As the States begin re-opening in response to the Global Coronavirus Pandemic, some people are returning to their previous normal living standards. Unfortunately, we are now in our new normal as unreal and sometimes uncomfortable as the socially distancing and continuous use of protective masks may feel.

\*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them). Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

\*It is our responsibility as a Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible. The church can socially distance and seat a limit of 50 or less people. All others will be able to flow through and view prior to beginning the Celebration of Life Ceremony.

# Cemetery Details

## Swan Lake Memory Gardens

4601 W War Memorial Dr.  
Peoria, IL 61615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 27. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Simons Mortuary Chapel  
912 W. John H. Gwynn, Jr. Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61605  
(309) 674-2638  
info@simonsmortuary.com  
<https://simonsmortuary.com>

## Celebration of Life

JUN 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nichelson-Jackson*



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**Simons Mortuary** - June 26, 2020 at 06:02 PM



“ *Mrs. Verdia Mae Nichelson-Jackson*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Verdia Mae Nichelson-Jackson*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

AK

“ Dear Sherry, Tena, and Susan,  
Just thinking about the goodness of God and thought of your family.  
Looked you up and saw your mother had passed. So sorry for the  
loss of your mother. She was a great example of what a mother is  
and should be. Even though I only knew her and you all a short  
while, I loved how she taught you all about loving God. Especially  
singing His praises. She made an impression in my life and I truly  
believe she is one of the reasons I serve the Lord now.  
Her prayers are still powerful  
Allyson (Fuller) Keister  
(The skinny little kid at WestPort Ct., Peoria)

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**Allyson F Keister** - July 19, 2021 at 10:33 AM

SC

“ Sherry Carter-Allen lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Verdiana Mae Nicholson-Jackson



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**Sherry Carter-Allen** - June 27, 2020 at 08:55 AM

SC

“ Miss Tena please know that you and your Family are in our prayers  
with heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy. Love and  
Blessings...

Sherry, Pachaunce' and Little Sherry



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**Sherry Carter-Allen** - June 27, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ Thinking of you Sherri, Tena, and Susan during your time of grief. My heart goes out to you and your family. You are in my prayers.

Tony Miller

Tony Miller - June 26, 2020 at 09:54 PM



“ 4 files added to the album Funeral Program



Simons Mortuary - June 26, 2020 at 06:03 PM



“ Auntie words cannot say how much you were loved by me and how much you will truly be missed. It's time like this that you wish that you could change the world and eradicate all of the pain and sorrow but that would then become our world and not God's. So I will just simply say so long for now and we'll meet again somewhere around the throne of God.



Prophetess Wallace-Swoope - June 26, 2020 at 05:25 PM

PW

“ To Auntie....I’m going to Definitely miss you!!!  
My fondest memory was just being around her  
and eating her World famous Green Tomatoes  
“ Love you Dre’. #RestInHeaven



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**Prophetess Wallace-Swoope** - June 26, 2020 at 05:13 PM

AJ

“ To the family of Mrs Verdia Mae Nichelson Jackson, we are so sorry  
for your lost our prayers are with you and the family.The Jones  
,Howell family. 🙏🙏

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**Airalona Jones** - June 26, 2020 at 12:47 AM

QW

“ Quincy Ward purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet  
t for the family of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nichelson-  
Jackson.



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**Quincy Ward** - June 25, 2020 at 11:06 PM

JW

“ Tena, Sherry and Susan, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Jessica Adams Williams** - June 25, 2020 at 09:22 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nichelson-Jackson.*



June 25, 2020 at 06:45 PM



“ *Rhonda Pink Brown and Joanie Pink Brown*



**Joanie Brown** - June 25, 2020 at 01:28 AM



“ *So sorry for the loss of your Mother. Tena, Sisters and Family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this trying time. Please know that the Lord shall wipe away all tears because joy shall come in the morning.* ❤️ 🙏💕



**Joanie Brown** - June 25, 2020 at 01:27 AM



“ *Shauntaya Saunders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nichelson-Jackson*



**Shauntaya Saunders** - June 24, 2020 at 06:46 PM

JC

“ *Jessie Copeland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nicholson-Jackson*



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**Jessie Copeland** - June 24, 2020 at 01:59 PM

BA

“ *Would like to offer my condolences to this family. Nothing like losing your mother my prayers 🙏💪 to you all.*

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**Brenda Albert** - June 24, 2020 at 09:39 AM

CB

“ *Curtis Bond lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nicholson-Jackson*



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**Curtis Bond** - June 24, 2020 at 09:36 AM

WM

“ *Wanda Saunders, Jackie Stewart & Earlene Matlock purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Verdia Mae Nicholson-Jackson.*



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**Wanda Saunders, Jackie Stewart & Earlene Matlock** - June 24, 2020 at 01:01 AM