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Doris Ruth Alford Lemen AAFA #0419

October 4, 1921 - July 21st, 2020

Charter Member



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Obituary

On Tuesday, July 21st, 2020, the world got a lot less sweet. No, we aren't just talking about her Banana Pudding. Doris Alford Lemen, 98 of Pine Bluff has prompted a celebration in the VIP section of heaven the size of which we can only imagine.

Born on October 4, 1921 in Pine Bluff to former fire chief George M and Carrie Verret Alford, Doris was a lifelong resident of Pine Bluff.

She met the love of her life, Guy Lemen while in high school and spent a beautiful 60 years married to her very best friend.

Doris attended Pine Bluff High School and later Pine Bluff Beauty College. She was a friend & surrogate mother to anyone who sat at the counter of their snack shop, in one of her chairs at the Lemen Ade to Beauty or next to her on the pew. The campground in Heaven is officially planning a massive potluck to celebrate this former member of the National Campers and Hikers Association, the Good Samaritans and Campers in Mission camping clubs. Doris was a permanent fixture at East Side Baptist Church where she was a member of the King's Daughters Sunday School class as well as being a Sunday School teacher for more than 25 years.

Doris leaves behind a legacy of the best (and best smelling!) hugs on the planet, a banana pudding that cannot be topped, and has passed onto her surviving family members the ability to laugh through any situation as well as a vocabulary full of Southern nuggets like "epizutics," "whoopsie!" and of course, the favorite, "Praise God and Thank Ya Jesus!" She will be remembered every time we giggle uncontrollably, every time we eat delicious Southern food and especially every time we smell her signature face cream.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, her Husband Guy Lemen and her son, George. She is survived by her grandchildren Rob Lemen, Kristin Harper, James Akin and (partner in crime) Elizabeth Lemen, as well as daughter in law Carla Lemen and great grandchildren Cameron, Cameron, Ian and Joe.

Burial will be on Friday, July 31st at Graceland Cemetery. A memorial service will take place at a later date once it is safe for more family to travel.

Obituary and photo by Ralph Robinson & Son Funeral Directors of Pine Bluff.

Information and photo were copied from the <u>Find-A-Grave</u> web page.

Personal Data

Birth: 4 Oct 1921

Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas, USA

Death: 21 Jul 2020 (aged 98)

Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, USA

Burial: Graceland Cemetery

Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas, USA

Plot: Evergreen, Lot 41

Memorial ID: 213333314



Photo Added by: gailb on 18 Sep 2018

Permission granted by the photographer.

Family Members

Parents

George Mitchell Alford, 1880–1960 Carrie Marie Verret, 1895–1979

• Spouse

Guy Leroy Lemen, 1919–2000 (m. 1939)

• Children

George William Lemen

Information copied from the Find-A-Grave and Ancestry web pages.

AAFA Notes:

- 1. Doris's Alford lineage: Doris Ruth AR¹, George Mitchel 1880 GA², Andrew Jackson 1851 GA³, Thomas 1829 GA⁴, Wiley A. 1794 GA⁵, James 1740 VA/NC⁶, Lodwick 1710 VA⁷, James 1687 VA⁸, John 1645 VA⁹.
- 2. Doris and Guy attended the 1991 Jackson, MS Meeting and their photo appears in the AAFA Action, Issue 15, December 1991, page 22.

Miscellaneous Data



DORIS ALFORD

Student Council '37-'39; Secretary Senior Class; Library Staff; Secretary Library Staff '39; Glee Club; Secretary Glee Club '39; Who's Who; National Honor Society

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