



## Linda Louise Viniard Meyer

April 8, 1936 - July 10, 2024

Linda Louise Viniard Meyer, 88, passed away July 10, 2024, in Tallahassee, FL. Born in Bardwell, KY, to Charles Hudy Viniard and Vivian Eugene Hughes, she attended a three-year nursing program at then Murray State College in Kentucky. In her third year, she met Ray Dean Meyer, a farm-boy from St. Francis, KS, turned soldier stationed at Fort Campbell, and the two were married February 8, 1958, in the base's Chapel 8.

The Army relocated them every few years to Fort Monmouth, NJ; Fort Richardson, AK; a "waiting wives camp" at Fort Riley, KS, while Ray served in Vietnam; Fort Huachuca, AZ; and Fort Gordon, GA. After Ray's retirement from active duty, he took a civil service job in Lexington, KY, a short five-hour drive from Linda's birthplace. In spite of the relocations, Linda and Ray's two daughters (Lisa and Cathy) were born in the same hospital in NJ five years apart, and graduated from the same high school in Lexington.

Linda worked as a RN until her second daughter was born, and then focused on being the family's administrator, nutritionist, interior decorator, seamstress

and nurse of childhood ailments. After arriving in Lexington, she returned to nursing at Homestead Nursing Home, where she was night supervisor for 20 years, caring for people at the end of life.

Linda loved dogs, bird watching, flower gardens and learning new things. She consulted reference books daily, and while commuting to work in Lexington, she became a faithful student of radio Bible teachers John MacArthur and J. Vernon McGee.

After her husband died suddenly of a heart attack in 2008, she announced she was moving to Tallahassee to be near her older-daughter/caregiver. In Tallahassee, she took computer classes through the Tallahassee Senior Center and learned to satisfy her thirst for information through Google searches. As movement became more and more painful, she creatively modified daily tasks and readily adapted to new assistive devices as needed.

Linda is preceded in death by her husband Ray, daughter Catherine Butcher (David), brothers Bill and Teddy Viniard and all of her Meyer siblings-in-law. She is survived by daughter Lisa Meyer of Tallahassee; nephews Billy Viniard (Carissa) of Cunningham, KY, and Wayne Viniard (Geania) of Bardwell, KY; niece Marie Viniard Kaufman (Gary) of Paducah, KY; and nieces and nephews of the Woltman, Gustin, Meyer, and Walter families.

Special thanks to Ms. Betty Reese, Home Instead companion, for her love and care, and to all of the kind and gracious RNs and CNAs of Westminster Oaks Bertrand Health Center, as well as the Thomasville Road Baptist Church

Flower Ministry for their faithful visits and encouragement.

A Celebration of Life will be Friday, July 19, 2024, at 1 p.m. at Thomasville Road Baptist Church, followed by visitation and reception afterward. Interment at Camp Nelson National Cemetery in Nicholasville, KY, will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to Harvest of Life Ministries (<https://harvestoflife.org/>) or Thomasville Road Baptist Church, Tallahassee, FL.

Dayne Parker of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the Meyer family with their arrangements

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL **19**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Thomasville Road Baptist Church  
3131 Thomasville Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

# Tribute Wall



“ *She will be greatly missed. She is in good company and God's arms. Allan and Linda Woltman*

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**Allan Woltman** - July 14, 2024 at 09:51 AM



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**Allan Woltman** - July 14, 2024 at 09:50 AM