



## Verna Priest

August 25, 1926 - June 29, 2019

Verna Brooks Priest died on June 29, 2019 in Tallahassee, Florida.

Verna was born August 25, 1926 in Greenville, Illinois to Hulda and Frank Wodtke. In 1950 she married Robert Norman Brooks. They had two children, Robert Charles Brooks and Karen Brooks Crowley. On April 17, 1955 her husband was declared Missing in Action while serving in the US Air Force. It was later confirmed his plane was shot down over Russia while on a reconnaissance mission during the Cold War.

Verna raised her two children for 10 years in St. Louis, Missouri until marrying Doyle Ethan Priest. They moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, where they owned various businesses together. Upon their retirement they traveled extensively. Doyle preceded her in death in 1995. Upon his death she moved to Tallahassee, Florida to be near her family.

Verna is survived by her son Robert Charles Brooks (Terrie), daughter Karen Brooks Crowley (Richard), four grandchildren Wyatt Harrington Brooks (Amy), Hilary Brooks Campbell (Barrett), Dain Colin Donovan, Casey Patrick Donovan (Megan) and two great-grandchildren Duncan John Robert Campbell, Miller Patrick Donovan and her sister Meile and brother Art.

There will be a memorial service July 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in Tallahassee at Centerville Road Church of Christ with interment at Kent Forest Lawn Cemetery in Panama City, Florida July 17, 2019 at 10:00 CST.

The family would like to thank the staff at St. Augustine Plantation and Big Bend Hospice. In lieu of flowers those who wish to may make contributions to

Big Bend Hospice.

Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## **Kent Forest Lawn Cemetery**

2403 Harrison Ave.  
Panama City, FL 32405

# Tribute Wall



“ *To Karen, Dain and Casey.*

*Our sincere condolences with love the Donovan Family! 🙏❤️.*

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