



Laverne Corkern

April 16, 1931 - January 7, 2025

Laverne Corkern of Franklinton passed away peacefully on the afternoon of January 7, 2025, at 93. She lived a long and fruitful life, spending her last day surrounded by loved ones, watching Gunsmoke, and enjoying the birds outside. As the family matriarch, Laverne was loving and nurturing, yet unafraid to speak her mind. She graduated from Franklinton High School in 1948, where she was a cheerleader, named Football Queen, recognized as most athletic, and joined her basketball team in taking the 1947 state title. She was a fiercely strong woman, wife, friend, and mother of four. She worked at the Red & White Grocery, Washington Parish Library, Washington Parish Health Unit, and most notably as a dairy farmer. She was an active member of Sunlight Baptist Church, even in her final days. Known for her great cooking, she was especially famous for her scratch biscuits and chicken pie. She is now home with her beloved husband of 52 years, Ralph Corkern, and her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

She is survived by the following family fortunate enough to have known and loved her: her loving caregiver, Lisa Henderson; her children: Becky Jenkins (Earl Jenkins), Renea Agnew (Jerry Agnew), Ernie Corkern (Shellye Corkern), Ramona Bowlin; her grandchildren: Kelli Hoepfner (Mike Hoepfner), Jerry Agnew, Jr. (Kim Agnew), Michael Agnew, Lauren Jenkins (Ariel Flores), Ernest Wayne Agnew (Stacy Agnew), Kellie Losauro (Desmond Ordon), Amy Bekes (Chris Collins), Luke Jenkins (Allison Jenkins), John Agnew, Brett

Corkern (Ashley Corkern), Trevor Corkern, Mason Corkern (Trinatte Corkern), Sidney Corkern; as well as numerous great-grandchildren.

Laverne was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Corkern; an infant daughter; her father, Shelly Otis Sheridan; her mother, Josie Fussell Donnally; her brother, Richard Sheridan (Nelda Sheridan); her son-in-law Charlie Bowlin; her granddaughter Jana Denning; and sister-in-law/best friend Gladys Passman.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Monday January 13th from 8:00 am until 11:00 am. A funeral service will be held in the funeral home chapel at 11:00 am Monday with Rev. David Hedden officiating. Burial will follow in the Sunlight Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Waylon Mizell, Billy Mizell, Trevor Corkern, Mason Corkern, E.W. Agnew, John Agnew, Luke Jenkins

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Laverne Corkern.*



January 10, 2025 at 12:30 PM



“ *Becky, Earl and family
It is with sadness that I learned of Mrs. Laverne's passing. She was a lovely lady and I considered her a friend. She made great coffee and was a joy to be around. My family sends your family our condolences.*

John and Debbie Mendow

John K Mendow - January 09, 2025 at 04:31 PM



“ *Diane and Jim Guthrie purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Laverne Corkern.*



Diane and Jim Guthrie - January 09, 2025 at 02:53 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss. Mrs. Lavern sure was a special lady. Thoughts and prayers .*

Janet & Billy Ray Breland - January 09, 2025 at 01:50 PM

JH

“ *Jo Heller purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Laverne Corkern.*



Jo Heller - January 09, 2025 at 01:33 PM

ES

“ *Becky, I am sorry to read about your Mother*

Earline Sharp - January 09, 2025 at 11:53 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Laverne Corkern.*



January 09, 2025 at 10:54 AM