



## Irene Vann

January 12, 1923 - September 1, 2020

Irene M. Vann was born January 12, 1923 in Chicago, IL to Irene and Jessie Moon. She is preceded in death by two brothers, a sister, her husband, George Vann and son, James Vann. She graduated from Morton HS in Berwyn, IL where she met her future husband George. They had two sons, Gary and James moving to Bridgeview, IL to start their family and then settling in Dolton, IL for George's work at Nalco Chemical Company in South Chicago. Besides being a homemaker, Irene enjoyed working for the Hammond Indiana Times as a community news correspondent for Riverdale and Dolton. Upon George's passing in 1980, she retired to St. Petersburg, Florida where she resided until moving into Tierra Pines Center in Largo in 2017. Irene is survived by her beloved son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Georgiana of Michigan, her special niece, Claudia Zikuda (Dennis) of Gulfport, FL, four grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held in St. Petersburg on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 10:30 am at Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery. As per her final wishes, a Celebration of her Life will be held with the immediate family in Michigan and a private burial at St. Benedict's Catholic Cemetery in Illinois.

# Events

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**SEP** **Memorial Service** 10:30AM

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Memorial Park Funeral Home & Crematory

5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg, FL, US, 33709

# Comments

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Memorial Park Funeral Home - September 17, 2020 at 10:04 AM

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claudia zikuda - September 25, 2020 at 03:17 PM

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“ The beautiful and vivacious woman that was Irene Vann was my grandmother. I have so many fond memories that span my lifetime. My father, Jim Vann Sr, and brother, James Vann Jr, would visit her in Florida almost annually to be met with our always smiling and singing grandmother. We would go out to eat and she would accompany her meal with a Manhattan, (with olives, not cherries). She was an incredible writer and graced the Bulletin Boards at her home of 30 years, Five Towns, as the Sunshine Lady. Which says a lot, considering Florida is the Sunshine State! After I graduated High School, my father moved to Florida to be closer to her and care for her. He devoted his selfless time to caring for her until his death in March of 2019. I know she is reunited with the love of her life, her husband George, who passed prior to my birth, and her doting son, my father. And I can bet that she is singing a jaunty tune with that beautiful and infectious smile upon her face. I love you Grandma, please give my dad a hug and a kiss for me. And I hope Sparky and Toby are there too.



Christina Vann - September 05, 2020 at 12:16 AM