



## Wanda Jean Yerby

January 22, 1936 - October 28, 2023

Wanda Jean Yerby, 87, of Peoria, passed away on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at Accolade of Peoria. She was born on January 22, 1936 in Ava, Missouri, a daughter of Obra W. Porter and Neva (McKnight) Porter. Wanda married Leon "Bob" E. Yerby on January 22, 1962 in Peoria. He preceded her in death on March 13, 2002 in Peoria.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; two daughters, Kathleen Dierker of Peoria and Truby Wright of Peoria; one great-granddaughter, Tiffany Wright of Pekin; two brothers; and one sister.

Wanda is survived by two brothers, Jim Porter of Missouri and Leonard Porter of Missouri; two grandsons, James Wright, Jr. of Peoria and Joseph (Jennifer) Eickmeier of Peoria; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She worked as a waitress for the Village Inn in Bellevue for 30 years, retiring in 2001.

Wanda was a member of Second Baptist Church in Peoria. She loved fishing and really enjoyed visiting and encouraging church family and friends in the hospital.

Wanda's family has arranged a celebration of life gathering to be held from

4:30 pm to 6:30 pm on Monday, November 6, 2023 at Second Baptist Church in Peoria.

Cremation has been entrusted to Schmidt-Haller Burial & Cremation Services in Peoria.

Wanda's inurnment will take place in Brimfield Township Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences may be shared with Wanda's family at [www.SchmidtHaller.com](http://www.SchmidtHaller.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

NOV 6. 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM (cst)

Second Baptist Church  
6417 W. Farmington Road  
Peoria, IL 61604

# Tribute Wall

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“ Wanda was a very sweet lady, you never knew what she was going to say! Loved having talks with her! I was just thinking of her a few days ago! She will be missed ! She is now with Bob in Heaven! Sending hugs to the family! 💔🙏

Becky Woodson - November 06, 2023 at 09:23 AM

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“ Oh Ms Wanda, I've been thinking of you, I had no idea you went home to be with the lord. I know there are many that knew you much much better than I knew you, but it was wonderful to live close to you at Cedars. Sending prayers to your family at this time of need. Rest in peace pretty lady, you will definitely be missed!!

Robyn - November 04, 2023 at 07:38 AM

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“ My heart is broken. I have not seen Wanda in many years but spent many years as a member of church with her. She was always so kind and friendly while I was a youth and young adult. She will be very missed.  
Angela Taylor

Angela Taylor - November 03, 2023 at 04:19 PM