



## Lois Laverne Roberts

September 8, 1925 - October 9, 2014

Lois Laverne Roberts,

89, of Indianapolis, passed away peacefully, October 9, 2014, at her residence with her family by her side, after a full, long and active life. Her life began September 8, 1925 in the tiny town of Mine La Motte, Missouri, one of the oldest settlements west of the Mississippi, a town founded by French settlers. Laverne, one of eight children, spent much of her childhood and early adulthood in Paragould, Arkansas. She worked for a few years as a telephone operator for Bell Telephone. It was in Paragould that she met William, an engineering student at the University of Missouri, who would drive home on the weekends to see her. After they married, they moved to Indianapolis where she devoted herself to being the best homemaker and mother on the block, priding herself on her apple pie and crisply ironed clothing. Between her birth and her death was a life spent serving her family and Jesus Christ. For over 50 years, Laverne was very involved in her church, Calvary Tabernacle, where she sang in the choir. She loved to travel, play the piano, and eat homemade ice cream. When she left this earth to join her Lord, she left behind a legacy of family and fond memories.

Visitation will be Monday, October 13, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel, 3333 E. Thompson Road. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, October 14, at 1:00 p.m. at Calvary Tabernacle, 902 Fletcher Ave. with visitation one hour prior to services.

Laverne is survived by her loving husband of 62 years, William Harlan

Roberts; her son, Mark Roberts (Beverly); her daughter, Regina Barber; three grandsons, Chris Barber (Allison), Cory Barber (Amanda), and Evan Roberts; one granddaughter, Caitlin Roberts Arnold (Stephen); and one great-grandson, Silas Barber. She is also survived by two brothers, Norman Cunningham (Donna) and Don Cunningham (Connie); and two sisters, Virginia Young and Bernadine Dinsmore (Herb); as well as many nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Elmer and Mary Fortner Cunningham; a brother, G. W. Cunningham; and two sisters, Ruby Mena and Wilmeda Liford.

Memorial contributions may be made to The American Cancer Society. [www.s-hirleybrothers.com](http://www.s-hirleybrothers.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46229

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **13**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel  
3333 E. Thompson Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46227  
(317) 783-3315  
[info@shirleybrothers.com](mailto:info@shirleybrothers.com)  
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

## Visitation

OCT **14**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Tabernacle  
902 Fletcher Ave.  
Indianapolis, IN 46203  
(317) 262-4030

## Funeral Service

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OCT **14**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lois Laverne Roberts.*



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October 13, 2014 at 02:48 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Lois Laverne Roberts.*



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October 13, 2014 at 07:54 AM



“ *Dear Bev and Mark - so sorry to see your Mom's obit in the paper today. Our prayers and thoughts will be with you through these next few days. David and Anna (Nookie) Rust*

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**Anna Rust** - October 12, 2014 at 07:57 PM



“ *My Aunt Vern was a generous and loving woman. She loved the Lord and was a support to her family and extended family. She had a "never quit" attitude that many people would envy. Her homecoming was joyous I am sure. I will miss her very much.*

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**Donna Young Slipher** - October 12, 2014 at 07:41 PM