



Mrs. Alma Pearl Terry

February 18, 1921 - April 6, 2013

Alma Pearl Terry, born February 18, 1921, was the fourth child of eleven children.

Alma received her formal education at Batesville High School in Batesville, MS. Alma attended Russ Junior College in Holysprings, MS. for a year. She also took weekend floral classes.

She married Allen A. Terry on April 18, 1946 in Tallachatchie County, Mississippi. They moved to Milwaukee in 1956 for better job opportunities.

Alma confessed her faith at a early age in Mississippi, where she was a member of Springhill ASA Missionary Baptist Church. Once in Milwaukee Alma and her husband joined Calvary Baptist Church in 1956 under the leadership of Reverend Melvin J. Battle. She was a longtime faithful member until her health declined.

She worked as a Housekeeper at the home of Mrs Locker. Mrs Locker, a floral shop owner, recognized Alma's talent for growing and caring for plants. She encouraged Alma to work in the floral industry and subsequently Alma worked in Lockers Roral shop for over 40 years! Although Alma retired from Lockers Roral she always kept in contact with her former coworkers and they would meet together at least twice a year for fun activities.

Alma loved cooking ... and she always had various cookbooks at home to share a number of delicious recipes with friends and family. She enjoyed inviting everyone over to taste her poundcakes, chocolate cake and chest pies. She just smiled as she would watch you eat. She enjoyed doing floral arrangements, reading and keeping up with current events ... especially politics. You could debate with her about politics all you want but you would definitely not get in the last word.

She is survived by siblings, William Goodrum, Odie Goodrum, and Marcell Goodrum all from Oakland, CA., Sister in Law, Mary Lillian Goodrum of Oakland, CA and Mozell Goodrum of Milwaukee, WI, Ethel Terry, Holsprings MS (Sister-in-law), Laura Ann Terry, Saginaw MI (Sister-in-law) and a host of nieces, great nieces, nephews, great nephews, cousins, step grandchildren and many friends.

Alma was preceded in death by her husband, Allen A. Terry; Father, Odie Goodrum; Mother, Ethel Johnson Goodrum; as well as three brothers and four sisters.

Cemetery Details

Wood National Cemetery

5000 W. National
Milwaukee, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Calvary Baptist Church
2959 N. Teutonia Ave.
Milwaukee, WI

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I'm not sure if this is my most favorite person in the world, "Mrs. Terry". She worked for my mom in South Milwaukee and when we moved to Greendale she also worked there once every 2 weeks or so and also when My parents left for an extended vacation without their 5 kids... I sooooo loved this woman.. I wish I could have looked her up sooner than this as I have moved around the nation a bit , but always thought of her. My second mom.

Caroline Bale Woodward - February 04, 2014 at 08:21 PM

DI

“ To Alma's Family

I will always remember her laugh, her chocolate cake, and her word "feets". I fondly remember our friendship and the years we worked together.

*Love
Diane Fehl*

diane - April 16, 2013 at 07:35 PM

LL

“ we all loved alma, and i will remember her with love always

lloyd - April 15, 2013 at 09:01 AM

YL

“ To Alma's famiy:

Alma made so many lives more beautiful because of her personality, smile and artistic ability. We were all fortunate to have her as a friend. She was a joy to work with and loved by everyone. We will all have fond memories.

Take comfort in knowing that she loved her nieces and nephews.

You have been very kind to your aunt. Special thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.

May memories of Alma comfort you. God bless Alma.

Yvonne Locker

Yvonne Locker - April 14, 2013 at 10:00 AM

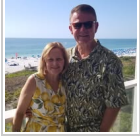
SO

“ So sad to hear the news about our dear Alma, but happy to know she is with Jesus and back with her beloved husband. We worked with her for 20 years at Locker's. Alma always had a smile and an encouraging word every minute of every day! She also was a hard and diligent worker that took her job very seriously as a corsage specialist! Alma made 1000's of gorgeous corsages and hand held bouquets over the years for us. Many, many homecoming and prom goers had her beautiful flower creations as part of their memories for those special occasions along with many brides and bridesmaids! She will live in our hearts forever...

Sincerely,

Steve and Kim Obenberger

Steve Obenberger - April 12, 2013 at 10:54 AM



“ To Alma's nieces, nephews and family:

Alma was always a very special person to me as well as my parents. She was the soul of the employees at the store (Locker's Flowers) and really made everyone her family. My memories from ever since I can remember were of her smiling face. Her kindness was exemplary. She was my corsage-making buddy, joke partner and friend. When my husband Bruce started working at the store, she welcomed him with open arms. He quickly came to appreciate her special nature.

Throughout the years, you have always been wonderful to her. There aren't many people that can say that they took care of their aunt as you did. You should all be commended. I know that it is because she was such an exceptional lady.

I am so thankful to have seen Alma last Fall at the breakfast gathering with Mildred. Despite her dialysis and other complications, she was as happy and bright as always. The years never seemed to change her outlook.

Our deepest sympathy to you. We share your loss and can only say that we are better because we knew her.

Heidi Locker-Scheer, Bruce and Tiffany Scheer

Heidi Locker-Scheer - April 11, 2013 at 09:25 PM



“ Dear Family of Alma. You don't know me, but I am Yvonne Locker's "little" cousin, and I've known Alma since I was a small girl. She was always so very kind to me. Even after I moved to California, she always made a big fuss over my many return visits. She never forgot who I was no matter how I changed -- like gaining 100 pounds (now gone)! I last saw her at my Aunt Alice Kannenberg's funeral. I know she was frail at that time, but I am sad to see her go. She was a real special person to me. My deepest sympathies.

Barbara Mikhail

Barbara Mikhail - April 09, 2013 at 05:20 PM