



## Latane Powell

October 30, 1923 - August 30, 2021

Latane Powell, 97, of Ozark, AR died Sunday, August 29, 2021 at Mercy Hospital in Ozark. She was a retired elementary school teacher and member of First Christian Church in Ozark. She was preceded in death by her parents Eulas and Garner Andrews of Cecil, AR, husband Norman Powell of Ozark, AR, and brother Billy Hall Andrews and wife Jackie Andrews of Cecil, AR, and nephew G.L. Andrews. Latane was born in Cecil, AR on October 30, 1923. She attended elementary school in Cecil, AR and high school in Branch, AR. She graduated from The College of the Ozarks in Clarksville, AR, after which she taught school in the Ozark School District for 40-years.

Latane spent her days sewing, among other things. She was widely known for sewing pot holders and denim work gloves and sharing them with everyone she knew. She found purpose in her sewing and loved giving gifts and sharing with others. She also found great pleasure in going to lunches, garage sales and thrift stores with her nieces Sandy Blevins, Lynda Molton and Donna Lowrey and her Sunday lunches with niece and nephew Linda and Joe Halmes. She loved spending time with extended family and loved ones, and cracking some fantastic jokes!

Latane remained in excellent health and was still driving until October 2020 when she broke her hip. She had a perfect driving record, never having a citation or at-fault accident! Following her broken hip she lost some independence, but continued sewing her pot holders to the end. She was an incredibly resourceful lady who did not hesitate to call “the law” in the latter

years of her life. Not to be forgotten is the time she dialed 911 because there was a tarantula on her wall; and for the time she put Dawn dish soap in her dishwasher to add a little extra cleaning power - causing bubbles to flow out and flood her kitchen!

She is survived by her son David Powell of Fayetteville, daughter Rozan Powell of Fayetteville, grandson Ben Oates of Fayetteville, granddaughter Brook Criner and husband Terry Criner of Fayetteville, two great-grandchildren Emily and Willow Oates of Fayetteville and countless extended family members who remained a daily and weekly presence to the end of her life. She was a staple in the community and will be sorely missed but remembered with great love and fondness. A private graveside service is planned due to the ongoing Covid outbreak, with a memorial service following in the coming months.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Latane Powell*

January 30, 2023 at 02:28 AM



“ *Sally Matlock lit a candle in memory of Latane Powell*



**Sally Matlock** - September 13, 2021 at 12:52 AM



“ *I remember in the late 80's there was an ice storm. Latane and Norman were in Ft Smith. So was I. They asked for a ride home with me. Took us four and a half hours but we had a great time visiting.*

**Sally Matlock** - September 13, 2021 at 12:51 AM



“ *Fond memories of Latane in First Christian Church; she was my Sunday school teacher and lifelong friend. She will be missed* ❤️

**Nan Hopkins Nelson** - September 08, 2021 at 03:41 PM

JA

“ Mrs. Powell, and Chief, were two of the most loved people in my life. Mrs. LaTane's memory was excellent until a little later in her life. She always knew me, thanked me for whatever I was doing. She was so grateful to those who were around her. She always had a smile. Two of my favorites are now in their Forever Home.

Judith Armstrong - September 04, 2021 at 05:07 PM

AB

“ AnnaLee Bullard lit a candle in memory of Latane Powell



AnnaLee Bullard - September 01, 2021 at 12:58 PM



“ Brandy Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Latane Powell



Brandy Shepherd - September 01, 2021 at 01:32 AM



“ Prayers for your family. I was one of the lucky ones that had her as a speech teacher for 3yrs. She was the best person and teacher I ever knew. Again sorry for your loss prayers for you all

Brandy Shepherd - September 01, 2021 at 01:32 AM

SH

“ Will be missed she was such a wonderful lady and a great teacher she may have had 2 biology children but she had so many more

sharon - August 31, 2021 at 09:51 PM

TA

“ I just talked to her last week after we finished mowing her yard. The last moment I had with her, I will remember this always. She was pointing her finger towards Sandy saying, “Sandy is sewing those quilts for her family!” She always esteemed others higher than herself. I remember Papa and I leveling her swing up outside her carport so she could sit on it. Papa asked her to sit down on it to make sure she could get up and down with ease. I remember her always wanting us to stay and chat awhile, and even though we had to get back to work I always enjoyed the short break it gave us and hearing her talk about when she was a teacher. And the memory she had of her husband, I liked hearing her talk about him. When we came to mow her yard she already knew the routine. She would get in her car and head straight to the bank, but she always managed to make it back just in time to see that we had our mini Cream Sodas, Coca-Colas, and whatever she had food wise inside she was willing to give us—even a box of cookie mix one time! That made me laugh and Lord knows I can't turn down a cold Cream Soda! I will miss Latane Powell and I know my Papa will too. But I believe she is in a much better place now, and I will see her again.

Tatum - August 31, 2021 at 05:14 PM

JV

“ So many memories of this kind & beautiful lady. She always had a soft voice & her eyes would sparkle when she laughed. Thoughts & prayers are with her family.



Judy Patrick Vest - August 31, 2021 at 12:37 PM