



## Vesta Mozell James

October 9, 1934 - November 24, 2023

Vesta Mozell James, age 89, of Ocala, FL, passed away on November 24, 2023. She was born on October 9, 1934, in Alix, Arkansas, to the late Goldie Clifford Fields and Ethel Nena McDonald Fields. Vesta was a devoted mother of 5, US Marine Wife, of sergeant Major Dennis Lee James Oorah! grandmother of seven, great-grandmother of ten and great-great-grandmother of four.

Throughout her life, Vesta's unwavering faith guided her journey, for the past 42 years, she was a member of the Ocala First Church of the Nazarene. A true prayer warrior Vesta prayed for others until her very last breath. Her love for Jesus and her unwavering commitment to intercession were awe-inspiring. The Lord blessed Vesta with a remarkable musical talent, a gift she inherited from her beloved father. Her nimble fingers danced across the keys of the piano, playing hymns and melodies that resonated with the depths of her soul. Through her music, she touched the hearts of many, including her cherished Children and grandchildren. Vesta's favorite passage, Psalm 23, provided solace and inspiration during times of tribulation. It reminded her that the Lord, her shepherd, would guide her through the valleys of life, providing comfort and restoration.

Vesta's love extended far beyond her biological family. She embraced all who crossed her path, offering a soft place to land during times of hardship and a contagious laughter that could brighten the darkest of days. Her genuine compassion knew no bounds. Vesta's legacy was one of love, unity, and

unwavering faith. Vesta pursued a career in cosmetology, utilizing her talents to enhance the beauty of those she served.

Left to cherish her memory, survive by are her children: Deronda and John Kinlock, Edward and Brenda Gilbreath, Denena and Keith Griffin, Delisa and Michael Fugate, Dwight and Debra James, Clayton Davis, and Toby Pritchard. Vesta also leaves behind 7 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren, each a testament to her abundant love and the blessings she bestowed upon them.

Vesta was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Dennis Lee James, and her siblings: Thelma Jackson, Mary Williams, and Clarence Fields. Their spirits now rest in the loving embrace of their heavenly home loving on her dear horses Petite who passed shortly before her beloved owner.

Friends and family are invited to gather and pay their respects at 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. for Visitation service December 9, 2023 at Shaffer Funeral Home 2315 Commercial Street in Ozark, Arkansas.

Graveside service will be 2:00 P.M., December 9, 2023 at Highland Cemetery, Highway 64 West Commercial Street in Ozark, with Messianic Rabbi Cynthia Douthit officiating, under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

In honor of Vesta's life, contributions can be made in her memory to Toysfortots.org, an organization held dear to our Marine Corps heritage. Vesta Mozell James will forever be held in our hearts, her legacy of faith, prayer, love, and music will be a beacon of inspiration for generations to come.

To leave an online memorial visit [www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com](http://www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Cemetery

Highway 64 West  
Ozark, AR 72949

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home  
2315 West Commercial Street  
PO Box 680  
Ozark, AR 72949  
(479) 667-4147  
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Graveside Service

DEC 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

Highland Cemetery  
Highway 64 West  
Ozark, AR 72949

## Burial

DEC 9 (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



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Shaffer Home - December 14, 2023 at 12:56 PM



“ Daysi Robinson sent a virtual gift in memory of Vesta James



Daysi Robinson - December 12, 2023 at 06:08 AM



“ Prayers for the family!



Buzy Bee Flowers And Gifts - December 05, 2023 at 02:11 PM



“ I remember her as a very sweet lady Deronda and Eddie my thoughts and prayers are with you

Sharon Rice Farnam - December 05, 2023 at 11:45 AM