



## Learline Venuto

June 29, 1937 - November 16, 2018

Learline Venuto was born June 29, 1937 in Whitesville, Tennessee to the late Rueben and Elizabeth Rodgers. She was the second born of nine children in which five preceded her in death, Ruby Walls, Ernestine Green, Marie Fleming, Charlie Rodgers and Lizzie Jean McCray.

Learline attended Vashon High School and that is where she received her exemplary work ethic.

Learline went on to marry Jerome Venuto and had five children to the union. She and Jerome split for twenty years, but went on to remarry in 1999 proving that they still had love for one another.

Learline was a faithful member of Life Victory Center where she enjoyed the teaching of the gospel before becoming ill. She was a praying child of God, she prayed so much for her family's well being.

Learline was not a gardener, but liked seeing flowers in her yard, so she would sit outside and supervise her husband while he did the work.

Learline loved traveling back to Tennessee to see her family still living there in Memphis. She would always come back with a trunk load of country food for her family and friends. She loved all her family, she hosted numerous of family reunions when St. Louis was the host city, and made sure she traveled to the other cities when they hosted.

Learline worked various occupations from Pharmacy Technician to writing articles for the Argus Newspaper and later went on to work for the City of St. Louis as a Deputy Sheriff where she worked thirty years of dedicated service before retiring. She received countless awards and had been associated with activities for the betterment of the St. Louis Community.

A few years later, she encountered some life changing health issues. Her husband took good care of her until he preceded her in death. A year later, also preceding her in death was her oldest daughter, Sharon.

Learline leaves behind to cherish and commemorate: her one daughter ~ Valerie Venuto; three sons ~ Michael, Keith and Kevin Venuto; eight grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren; three brothers ~ Lamar Rodgers, Robert (Aurella) Rodgers and Jessie (Jackie) Rodgers; and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and numerous friends.

# Events

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**NOV**   **Visitation**                      04:00PM - 07:00PM

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McClendon Mortuary and Cremation Services  
12140 New Halls Ferry Road, Saint Louis, MO, US, 63033

**NOV**   **Burial**                                01:45AM - 02:00PM

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Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery  
2900 Sheridan, Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, MO, US, 63125

**NOV**   **Visitation**                      10:00AM - 11:00AM

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**NOV**   **Service**                                11:00AM - 12:30PM

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# Comments

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“ I remember coming to visit my dad and my grandma ALWAYS coming to pick me up. One time dad TRIED to comb my hair, even though my mom showed him what to do the outcome was scary lol. Well grandma came to pick me up for our girls day shopping trip. She came up stairs and I was excited like always and said HI GRANDMA!! The look on her face was confused lol. She greeted me and hugged me and said “where is your dad?” I told her and she went in the living room and said “MICHAEL WHAT DID YOU DO TO THIS BABIES HEAD?” He tried to explain but grandma asked for the hair stuff and redid my hair lol. After that we went shopping and grandma SPOILED ME ROTTEN!! If I liked it she let me get it. I remember she took me to the perfume counter and showed me how to shop for perfume. After we shopped we ALWAYS went to red lobster!! Which is to this day my FAVORITE restaurant. Grandma didn't make me order of the kids menu. She always made me feel like a young lady. I was a kid but she never treated me like a kid. She always taught me how a lady should act. Grandma wanted me to learn how to be respectful, honest, beautiful and classy just like her. I love you grandma please hug grandpa and my mom for me. Thank you for always being there for me. I'm not saying goodbye, I'd rather say I'll see later. I love you grandma.

**allison venuto** - November 19, 2018 at 04:26 PM