



Lucille Varnes

November 13, 1947 - June 9, 2026

Vera Lucille Singletary Varnes, lovingly known as Lucille, passed away peacefully at her home on June 9, 2026, at the age of 78.

Lucille was born on November 13, 1947, in Day, Florida, where she spent her childhood. She graduated from Lafayette High School in Mayo, Florida, and shortly thereafter met the love of her life, Tommy Varnes. The two were married and made their home in Cross City, where they raised their family and built a lifetime of cherished memories together.

Above all else, Lucille was a devoted wife, mother, and "Nana." Her greatest joy came from spending time with her children and grandchildren, celebrating life's special moments, and making memories with family and friends. She loved shopping, taking vacations, and enjoying the simple pleasures of being surrounded by those she loved. Her kindness, generosity, and unwavering love for her family will be remembered by all who knew her.

Lucille began her career with the Dixie County Clerk of Court's Office before joining the Florida Department of Corrections. Throughout her years of dedicated service, she worked in purchasing and later served as Warehouse Manager until her retirement. She was known for her strong work ethic, dependability, and commitment to serving others.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Tommy Varnes; her parents, Jaimme and Rosa Vera ("R.V.") Singletary; and her sister, Betty Hays.

She leaves behind a loving family who will forever cherish her memory, including her son, Shannon (Kelly) Varnes; her daughter, Amy Varnes (Brent) Douglas; and her four grandchildren, Jarrett Douglas, Rebecca (Brian) Ellison, Blane Varnes, and Regan Varnes. She is also survived by her brothers, Lavon (Libby) Singletary and Jeffery Singletary, along with many extended family members and dear friends.

A funeral service celebrating Lucille's life will be held 3:00 PM on Saturday, June 13, 2026 at First Baptist Church of Cross City with Pastor Goran Radak officiating. Interment will follow at New Prospect Baptist Church Cemetery in Old Town. Visitation will be one hour prior to the funeral at the church.

Arrangements have been placed under the care of Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City Chapel, with locations in Cross City 352-498-5400 and Chiefland 352-493-0050. Please sign the online guest book at rickgoodingfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Summerville / New Prospect Cemetery

220 SE 571 Street
Old Town, FL 32680

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Cross City First Baptist Church
16024 SE Hwy 19
Cross City, FL 32628-3556
(352) 498-5107

Funeral Service

JUN 13. 3:00 PM (ET)

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