



Verva Isabel McDonald Adam

June 27, 1929 - October 30, 2019

Verva Isabel (Lawson) McDonald Adam, age 90, of Pickford, Michigan, died on October 30, 2019, at her home. She was born on June 27, 1929, in Detroit, Michigan, to Irwin and Elma (Campbell) Lawson.

Verva lived in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and graduated from Sault High in 1947. She married William C. McDonald on September 27, 1947, in Sault Ste. Marie. They lived on the McDonald family farm in Pickford until 1952 when they moved to town. Bill died in 2002. Verva married Arthur Adam in 2005 and he died in 2009. Verva continued to live in Pickford and Avon Park, Florida.

Verva was a member of First Baptist Church, Pickford United Methodist Church, Gideon's International, Women's Christian Temperance Union, and Avon Park Holiness Camp in Florida.

Verva loved music, playing piano and organ, reading, making jewelry, collecting antiques, and enjoyed her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Verva is survived by her children, William Irwin (Carol) McDonald of Pickford, Linda (Jay) Six of Greenwood, Indiana, and Cynthia (Dennis) Panik of Dafter; grandchildren, Aaron (Jill) McDonald, Jonathan (Amanda) McDonald, Curtis (finacee, Katlyn Winterstein) McDonald, Brian McDonald, Charissa (Joshua) Stephens, Jeremiah (Julie) Six, David Six, Maj. Tim (Nicki) Six, Michael

(Cassie) Panik, Christopher Panik, Daniel (Danielle) Panik; great-grandchildren, Abram, Maryn, Luke, Grace, Zeke McDonald, Caylin, Eliot, Josiah, Isaac Stephens, Haven, Liam, Emerson, Jack, Griffin, and Isabelle Six, Parker, Marion, Nathaniel, Darla, Hattie, Levi Panik; brother, Orvid (Margaret) Lawson of Wyoming, Michigan and Wilmer (Muriel) Lawson of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; brother-in-law, John (Audrey) McDonald of Pickford; and sister-in-law, Mary (Bob) Massongill of Yucaipa, California and Cedarville. Also surviving family members of Arthur Adam.

Verva was preceded in death by her husbands, William McDonald and Arthur Adam; granddaughter, Mary Elizabeth McDonald; and great-grandsons, Elisha and Elijah McDonald and brother, Harold Lawson.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, November 9, from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at United Methodist Church, in Pickford, Michigan. Funeral Service will begin at 3:00 P.M.

Burial will be at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens, in Bruce Township, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to Gideon's International, 101 N Industrial Hwy, Alpena, MI 49707; Child Evangelism Fellowship, 3392 Interstate 75 Business Spur, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783; United Methodist Church, PO Box 128, Pickford, MI 49774

R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Chapel Gardens

15264 S. M-129
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 9. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

United Methodist Church
115 E Church St
Pickford, MI

Funeral Service

NOV 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

United Methodist Church
115 E Church St
Pickford, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Verva Isabel McDonald Adam*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Verva Isabel McDonald Adam*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Verva Isabel McDonald Adam*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *To , Verva's Family
I am so sorry to hear about her passing
She was a large presence in my life when
I was growing up. When my Dad had his second bypass surgery, It
was great to see a familiar face when they picked me up at the
airport. With deepest sympathy.*

Frances Wood - November 11, 2019 at 07:30 PM



“ *Saddened to hear of Verva's passing. She was a loyal and faithful
choir member and she will be missed by many friends and members
at the First Methodist Church of Avon Park. Our thoughts and
prayers go with her family.*

*Suzan & Richard Wedig (Choir Director & Organist 1st United
Methodist Church, Avon Park, FL)*

suzan wedig - November 08, 2019 at 01:58 PM



“ *I only lived in Pickford a short time during my senior year in high school, but the McDonald's were one of the families that I grew to love! Then when my husband (who also passed away recently) and I moved to Avon Park, we so enjoyed getting reacquainted and reminiscing with Verva! Camp meeting is not going to seem quite right without her! She and her beautiful smile will be missed by everyone who knew her!*

Sally Mortensen

Sally Mortensen - November 05, 2019 at 06:09 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Verva Isabel McDonald Adam.*



November 05, 2019 at 06:01 PM



“ *I am a choir member of Avon Park United Methodist Church. I had the honor of singing with Verva a couple of winters. She was a loving, gracious lady. She supported me in songs of praise. God opened His loving arms and welcomed Verva.*

Marge Beckner - November 05, 2019 at 01:13 PM



“ *linda I am so sorry to hear about your mom,s passing*

steven jackson - November 05, 2019 at 09:10 AM

LF

“ *Love, Your Journey Church Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Verva Isabel McDonald Adam.*



Love, Your Journey Church Family - November 04, 2019 at 09:09 AM

YG

“ *Your Life Point Life Group purchased the Loved One Vertical Blanket for the family of Verva Isabel McDonald Adam.*



Your Life Point Life Group - November 04, 2019 at 08:32 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Verva Isabel McDonald Adam.*



November 04, 2019 at 02:25 AM

DR

“ *My sincere condolences, love, and prayers go out to all our family especially those more clothes than I!*

A very fond memory I have of aunt Verva, is when I was a teen we went to go see her and for me to meet Aunt Verva. Whom I am related to through my Grandpa Orvid I Lawson.

She was so kind and loving! I remember that she found out that we shared the same birthday day and month and we thought that was so neat. Aunt Verva so proud of and insisted we pick some pecans from her pecan tree in her backyard. So we went out and picked some pecans together that was a lot of fun then later we enjoyed eating some of them!

Just know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all and only wish that I could be there to help with a hug and have met more of my extended family! We can take reassurance and know that she is at home in heaven with Jesus hers and Our savior with joy forever more!

*With love,
Donnie Russell*

Donald Russell - November 03, 2019 at 11:08 PM

LS

Thanks Donnie.

linda six - November 05, 2019 at 09:50 AM

BM

“ Verva was a dear friend to me. I had the blessing of working closely with her for several years at dining hall of Avon Park Holiness Camp selling and handing out meal tickets.

She always seemed to be genuinely glad to see me and my wife whenever we would meet.

I send my condolences to her family as they grieve the loss of a wonderful Christian lady.

Burns Ed Smith, Columbia Missouri - November 03, 2019 at 10:20 PM

JK

“ I will certainly miss our sweet Verva. She always had a cheery greeting for me whenever we'd meet ever since our days in the Mary Wood Chorus. I believe I saw her last at Pickford days a while ago. Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers as you grieve her passing.

Jane Kennedy - November 03, 2019 at 01:21 PM

PN

“ I remember her smile and politeness. Her dedication and love for her family, God, and her community.

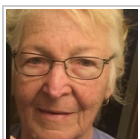


Patricia Newby - November 02, 2019 at 06:02 PM

WR

“ Verva is such a Sweet Lady! I enjoyed my time working the concession stand at the Auctions in 1969-1972. The dinners after the auctions were so much fun.
Singing in the choir with Bill and Verva is a great memory.
I also cleaned house for Verva. Memories to the heart forever!
Prayers for you all! Sorry I cannot make it at this time.

wandalee Rumler - November 02, 2019 at 03:16 PM



“ Verva, Bill and I sang in the Mary Wood Choir together and shared rides to the Soo to practice. I always enjoyed sharing and singing with them. Later Verv enjoyed making jewelry and I found it hard not to buy from her and make her jewelry gifts for my girls for Christmas. I will miss her, but I have good memories which will remain in my heart forever.

Audrey Fick - November 01, 2019 at 08:35 PM

LS

“ I have many memories of mom but most are her prayers for us. Will miss them.

linda six - November 01, 2019 at 05:02 PM