



## Ernestine Johnson Sego

April 19, 1935 - November 27, 2019

Ernestine J Sego of PRP ascended to her Heavenly home on Wednesday, Nov 27. She was born Ernestine Johnson to Claud and Janie (VanMeter) Johnson in Clarkson, KY, on April 19, 1935. She grew up as part of a large, loving family with 9 brothers and sisters, where her parents instilled in her a devotion to God, family, work, and study. This ethic led to her first job at the age of 16 at a soda counter, and her graduation from Clarkson High School. It also led to her 40 year career as an operator at South Central Bell in Louisville, where she won the position, despite her small stature, due to her 'long arms', a detail she proudly recounted like Vannah White as she gracefully displayed them. No position in Ernestine's life, however, was more important to her than that of Wife and Mother. She wed Harold Sego in 1955 and remained his

devoted wife for 60 years,  
until his death in 2015.

Everyone who knew them  
knew that Ernestine was the  
glue that kept the family  
together and Harold in line, as  
his creativity wasn't always  
particularly productive.

Together, they raised 3  
children: Samuel Segó of  
Somerset, Donna Harrell of  
PRP, and Philip (Beverly)  
Segó, of Little Mount.

Ernestine dearly loved and  
cherished her children and her  
5 grandchildren: Robert  
(Nicole) Segó, Brandon (Dana)  
Segó, Thomas Segó, Kelly  
(William) Robertson, and  
Jessica (Joel) Fields, all of  
whom she helped care for as  
children. She also leaves 14  
great-grandchildren and  
Haycraft, Kenneth Lee  
Johnson, William A Johnson,  
and Arthur Johnson, and a  
great-granddaughter.

She also leaves, to cherish her  
memory, sisters Annalee  
Watson, Shirley Cain, and  
brothers Roy Owen Johnson  
and Farrell Johnson.

She has loved and been  
loved by many nieces and  
nephews, brothers and sisters  
in law, cousins, friends and  
caregivers.

Ernestine and Harold were  
proud supporters of Beth

Haven Baptist and Cloverlea Baptist, though her longfought battle with Alzheimer's prevented attendance for many years. Even when she lost the ability to speak, hymns and Gaither concert videos brought her great comfort and joy.

Ernestine's family wishes to thank the caring individuals at Hosparus Health for their compassionate care, and a special thanks to Ernestine's daughter, Donna, who has been her devoted caregiver these many years, allowing her to stay home where she was most comfortable.

To honor her memory, in lieu of flowers, we ask that you prayerfully consider a donation to one of the following:

Hosparus Health

([HosparusHealth.org](http://HosparusHealth.org))

Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation

([alzinfo.org](http://alzinfo.org))

The Salvation Army

([salvationarmyUSA.org/usn/ways-to-give/](http://salvationarmyUSA.org/usn/ways-to-give/))

# Cemetery

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**Beth Haven Cemetery**

KY,

# Events

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**NOV Visitation 10:00AM - 01:00PM**

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Owen Funeral Homes - Dixie Highway  
5317 Dixie Highway, Louisville, KY, US, 40216

**NOV Service 01:00PM**

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# Comments

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“ My sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with the family, I Remember Billy who played basketball at Clarkson for Hubert Kessinger and of course Ernestine who graduated a year before me in '55 was in class with Ferrell, Annalee was a class behind me, So I remember the family well and have great love and respect for that family. Wanted you to know I can't make it up from Bowling Green, for the services, however my thoughts will be with you. May God richly Bless the family at this time.

Arthur Harris

**Arthur Harris** - November 29, 2019 at 04:32 PM