



## Wanda Joyce Telles

May 13, 1934 - July 7, 2016

Wanda Joyce Telles, 82, of Crystal Springs, Arkansas, passed away July 7, 2016. She is predeceased by her husband John P. Telles, her daughter Rita Telles, her sister Bonnie Wiebenga, two brothers Bobby and Leon Midkiff, and her grandson Christopher Conrad.

She is survived by a son Derrick Telles and his wife Betty Telles and a son Rick Conrad and his wife Luci Conrad; a granddaughter Briana Casali and her husband Ariel Casali and a grandson Dustin Conrad; two sisters: Betty Midkiff and Janie Lou Harper; three nieces: Angie Noia Davis, Heather Griffin, and goddaughter Wanda Showaker and their families; and five great-nieces and -nephews and their families.

Wanda was born in Bragg City, Missouri, but grew up in Arkansas before moving to California, in the early 1950s, where she met John Telles, her husband of 56 years. After many productive years in the San Francisco Bay area during the 1950s and 60s, Wanda and her family moved back to her home state of Arkansas in 1969. Here she embarked on a new career as a medical assistant in Hot Springs, forming lifelong friendships with colleagues and patients in the local medical community. After retiring in the 1980s, Wanda focused on administrating Town & Country Heating and Air, owned and operated by her husband for over 40 years. She was also a long-time member of the Seventh Day Adventist church in Hot Springs, an avid

gardener, and, above all, a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, family member, and friend.

Graveside services will be Monday at 10:00 A.M. in Morning Star Cemetery with Andrew Adams officiating.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *This beautiful woman was my 'second mother'. Her daughter, Rita, and I were childhood friends since age 8 and so Rita's parents were like my parents. Wanda (Mom) cared for me, watched over me, mothered me just like I was her own child. She was loving and kind, patient and caring. I never heard her raise her voice in unkindness, never heard her say anything negative about anyone. She was a lovely, classy woman that will always be remembered in the best ways. The Telles family and the lives they have touched over the years have endured a lot of grief in the past several months, but there are many people in the world that love them and are praying for their comfort. To Derrick and Betty, you've stood tall and fought the good fight, now take comfort in each other and know your kindness will be remembered.*



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