

Wilma Workman Gardner

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My love and condolences to the Gardner family on the loss of their wonderful matriarch. Aunt Wilma was so kind and generous to me and my family. Uncle Ken was kind and generous as well. I miss them both! The Heavens have gained an angel!

- Judy Brown

We love you Beautiful People! Such a Beautiful life Wilma Workman Gardner Lived! We are sorry for your loss… surely wonderful reunions are going on in the Great Heavenly Home above! May you all feel comforted and loved for all the care and time you shared with such a great Daughter of God and magnificent example of service in your Mother, Grandmother, and Friend!

- Mike and Doris Tucker Prince

Our love and condolences to the Gardner family. Wilma was a force for good with a dynamic progeny. We are grateful to have known her and felt her influence.

- Dave and Cori Connors Family

What an outstanding woman who founded an extraordinary family. I admire her so much. Sending my love and condolences to John and Karen and family.

- Carolyn Brooks

We send our thoughts and prayers for comfort and peace for your family. It must have been a glorious reunion with your father! May God’s finest blessings be with you. We love your family.

- Bart and Sybel Beattie

My deepest condolences go out to the Gardener family on the passing of Wilma. I am William (Bill) Davis, the middle child of Harold and Enid Davis. Most of you may be unfamiliar with me and my family. Over the past 45 years, we have resided in Provo, Texas and Ohio. In 1975, a close-knit group of my friends, including Lane Monson and Scott Stokes, along with a few others, decided to embark on an adventurous senior high school trip from Idaho Falls down to the big city Salt Lake City. In true teenage fashion, we hadn't made many plans, including accommodations. Luckily, we discovered that Ken and Wilma Gardener, friends of Harold and Enid Davis, were living in the foothills of SLC. I thought this could provide a fortunate solution to our lodging predicament. I remember calling them and asking Wilma if we could "crash at their pad" (probably with a heads-up from Gary, one of our young men's leaders in the 29th Ward). To my surprise, she said yes and would love the visit. I'll always remember the genuine excitement with which both Wilma and Ken welcomed us into their home. They smiled often, generously fed us, and provided a deluxe place for us to stay for several nights. During our time together, we laughed about the stories of our journeys in SLC, and they gave us pointers for things to see in the coming days. Your parents were extremely warm to us. They seemed to enjoy a bunch of teenagers, most they had never met until that night. My buddies and I expected to sleep on the floor or couches in a back room, but not in a palace. Our backup plan was a park somewhere in SLC. Wilma is very much like my Mother—kind, elegant, and graceful. Her home reflected these qualities, and I always felt at home when visiting them. I could also tell that both Ken and Wilma knew that people were more important than things. To me, it was always Ken and Wilma Gardner. It was evident to me that friendship held great significance to your parents. I could tell they dearly loved my parents. I know my parents loved them very much. Enid and Harold never had a bad word to say about Wilma or Ken. Mom and Dad truly loved them. I am sure the four of them are now off in a corner somewhere, laughing about stories and times they had together, and the struggles and journeys they both experienced.

- William (Bill) Davis

Dearest Gardner Family, We express our deepest sadness at the passing of Grandma Wilma Gardner. There is no one like her, the warmest, most loving, and kindest of all human beings. Her smile and graciousness lit the room with radiance and beauty. She was strong, and her words were full of wisdom. Her understanding and a deep sense of compassion for many in need, and unwavering love for so many people is a rare treasure. She was an angel of blessings, after missing Grandpa Ken for so many years, surely he and her family in heaven have received her with joy. Her family in this life enjoyed and loved her presence very much. She welcomed many, many people with open arms and a generous heart, even from different races and countries. Grandma Wilma, you have been and will always and forever be the embodiment of pure joy, true love and ultimate kindness. Praying for Heavenly Father's comfort and blessings for all the family. All those who know her will "ARISE UP, AND CALL HER BLESSED," AS ONE WHO HAD FAITH, OBEYED THE LORD, AND EMULATED HIS INFINITE MERCIES AND KINDNESS.

- Joshua and Cherie Sed & Family

We send our love to the Gardner family, and want you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. What a wonderful funeral service was given in honor of this beautiful, kind. loving aunt. Her goodness and faithfulness throughout her life is an example to us all. May you find peace in the happy memories of sweet Wilma.

- Ralph and Janice Harding