

## Mrs. Veola Mae Palmer

Mrs. Veola Mae Palmer, 98, of Frederick, passed away Friday, Feb. 19, 2010, at her residence at Northampton Manor Care. She was the wife of 20 years to Mr. Marshall Palmer.

Born May 20, 1911, in Lucketts, Va., she was the daughter of the late Willie K. and Emma Jane Mills Trussell.

In earlier years, Veola resided in Virginia with her first husband, Vernon, and during World War II, while he was serving in the Army, Veola worked for the war department supporting the war effort in the torpedo plant in Alexandria. She further worked for the Department of Treasury and later in retail until her retirement at the age of 55.

Veola, along with her second husband, Tom, spent 10 great years traveling and enjoying many sights of the world. Mrs. Palmer, with her third husband, Marshall, enjoyed their senior years actively involved in their community, church and volunteering with charitable functions. Veola was a very vivacious person and active with all staff and patients and was loved by all at Northampton Manor. She was known by many as "Mom and Maw."

Mrs. Palmer is survived by her son, Thomas K. Havenner and fiancée, Ellie Anna Tysdal, of Los Angeles, Calif.; her daughter, Dorothy F. Ahalt and husband, Norman, of Frederick; her grandchildren, Michael, Betty, Frank, John, Elizabeth, Carrie, Charles and wife, Jennifer, Thomas Jr., Mathew and Sean Havenner, Norman Jr., Ronald and wife, Sue Ahalt, Sandra Titus and Judy and Ken Cody; her 24 great-grandchildren; 16 great-great-grandchildren; a stepson, Thomas Sterner; a stepdaughter, Debbie Tarr; one brother, Horace Trussell of Florida; one sister, Frances Rison of Colonial Beach, Va.; two sisters-in-law, Hazel and Winifred Trussell; and a special friend, Mary McCarthy.

Mrs. Palmer was preceded in death by her first husband, Mr. Vernon E. Havenner; her second husband, Thomas Sterner; her two sons, Charles W. and Vernon E. Havenner; her stepdaughter, Lorraine LeBourhs; her three brothers, Hubert, Harry and Joe Trussell; and her two sisters, Ruth Geiman and Betty Jane Trussell.

Visitation with family will be from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at Keeney and Basford, P.A., Funeral Home, 106 E. Church St., Frederick.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, from the funeral home. Paul Stull Jr. will officiate. Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

If desired, memorial contributions may be made to Northampton Manor Care and Rehabilitation Activities Center, 200 E. 16th St., Frederick, MD 21701.

Expressions of sympathy may also be shared at [KeeneyBasford.com](http://KeeneyBasford.com).

