



Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell

March 16, 1929 - October 14, 2025

Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell, age 96, of Buckhannon, the Lick Run Community, died Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at Mountain Memories Assisted Living in Elkins, WV. She was born on March 16, 1929, at Alton, WV, a daughter of the late Ira and Madge Jane Lewis Harman. On June 21, 1947, she was united in marriage to Oliver George Cornell who preceded her in death on March 11, 1973. In addition to her parents and husband, she was also preceded in death by three sisters: Augusta "Gussie" Allender, Constance Harman, and Gwendolyn "Teddy" Wentz; three brothers: Deward, Dwayne, and Loye Harman; three brothers-in-law: Carey Allender, Troy Wentz, Jr., and Maynard Hanifan; and sons-in-law: Victor Snyder, Ronald Dean, and Michael Goff. She is survived by two daughters: Linda Goff of Charleston, WV, and Debra and husband Tim Orsburn of Buckhannon; four grandchildren: Laura Wall, Jennifer and husband David Boggs, Patrick Goff and wife Rebecca, and Bryan Snyder and wife Amanda; ten great grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren; two sisters: Luella Hanifan of Buckhannon and Dianna and husband Glenn Payne of Arizona; one brother Gary Harman and wife Susan of Buckhannon; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Van was a school cook in Upshur County for many years and was a member of the Sago Baptist Church.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM, on Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the Upshur County Memorial Park with the Rev. Wease Day officiating.

Cemetery Details

Upshur County Memorial Park

190 Memorial Park Road
Buckhannon, WV 26201

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **18**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Buckhannon, WV 26201

Tribute Wall

PM

“Debbie, Linda, and families, Heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. Van was a lovely lady with a beautiful smile. Remember the love and the happy times as you cherish the memories. Thinking of you all and hoping it helps to know that others share in your sorrow. Love, Pat and Yvonne and family

Pat McGowan-Currence - October 20, 2025 at 06:09 PM

PH

“Sincere condolences Debbie for you and your family.

Patty Hewitt - October 20, 2025 at 11:39 AM

JW

“Jane & Harold Lloyd Justin and Breyana W. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell.



Jane & Harold Lloyd Justin and Breyana W. - October 17, 2025 at 12:20 PM

JW

“Jane & Harold Lloyd Justin and Breyana W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell.

Jane & Harold Lloyd Justin and Breyana W. - October 17, 2025 at 12:20 PM

JJ

“*Johnie, Mary, & Tina Johnston lit a candle in memory of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell*



Johnie, Mary, & Tina Johnston - October 16, 2025 at 06:50 PM

JS

“*My sincere sympathies. A truly lovely lady.*



Janet Kay Stump - October 16, 2025 at 11:18 AM

CC

“*Cindy Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell*



Cindy Carpenter - October 16, 2025 at 07:58 AM

VW

“*Debbie and family so sorry to hear of Van's passing. I have so many memories of Van getting her hair done at Sharon's and Van talking about work and family. I will miss her.*



Vickie Walton - October 15, 2025 at 11:31 PM

RH

“ I can almost hear the Angels singing as they welcomed Vannie home,my deepest condolences to all the family ,for your loss.My prayers for each of you are for strength ,spiritual understanding and peace. Vannie will be missed by all that knew her

Roger and Debbie Hamner - October 15, 2025 at 10:51 PM

AM

“ Ashley Wentz & Mike Maenz purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell.



Ashley Wentz & Mike Maenz - October 15, 2025 at 10:22 PM

AM

“ Ashley Wentz & Mike Maenz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell.

Ashley Wentz & Mike Maenz - October 15, 2025 at 10:22 PM

LF

“ Love, The Steve & Verlie Wentz Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell.



Love, The Steve & Verlie Wentz Family - October 15, 2025 at 08:30 PM

LF

“ Love, The Steve & Verlie Wentz Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell.

Love, The Steve & Verlie Wentz Family - October 15, 2025 at 08:30 PM

MC

“ Millie And Randy Calkins lit a candle in memory of Avandelene M. "Van" Cornell



Millie and Randy Calkins - October 15, 2025 at 07:49 PM

KA

“ Deb and Family, All of my loving thoughts to all. You had a beautiful loving Mother. Who definitely is in Gods loving arms. May Gods comfort be with you in all the memories you have shared with Vannie. Love , Karen



Karen - October 15, 2025 at 05:43 PM

DS

“ Debbie and family-my love, thoughts and prayers are with you all. She was such a sweet person and she was funny too-she'd always leave you with a smile! She also has some wonderful grandchildren and great grandchildren I've had a the pleasure of knowing-much love!



Denise StClair Straight - October 15, 2025 at 02:01 PM