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Phyllis “Lou Ann” Boutelle Campbell, age 94, of Lakeland, passed peacefully from this earthly life into the presence of her Heavenly Father on February 26, 2026, at Good Shepherd Hospice.

Lou Ann was born November 4, 1931, in Lake Mills, Iowa to Ruth (Halvorson) Peterson. Of proud Norwegian heritage, she was raised on a family farm alongside her grandparents, mother, aunt, and six devoted uncles who helped shape her early life. Formed by the grit of the Great Depression and the strength of a single-mother household, Lou Ann learned resilience early.

She embodied elegance without excess and class without pretense.

She was baptized and confirmed at Bristol Lutheran Church and attended Bristol Township Country School. Her faith remained a steady foundation throughout her life.

Lou Ann worked for many years doing clerical work through Kelly Services at Mobil Chemical. In later years, she gave generously of her time as a volunteer with Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine, contributing more than 5,000 hours of service. She was also a member of First Presbyterian Church in the Highlands.

Family was the center of Lou Ann’s world. She enjoyed crossword puzzles and jigsaw puzzles, rarely leaving one unfinished — a reflection of the way she approached life itself. She lived fully, loved generously, and gave without counting the cost.

She is survived by her son, Robert (Annette) Campbell of Lakeland, Florida; grandsons Trevor (Kristin) Campbell of Lakeland, Florida, and Ian Campbell of St. Petersburg, Florida; one aunt, Mavis Olson of Lake Mills, Iowa; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Robert Gordon Campbell; her mother, Ruth (Clifford) Peterson; six uncles — Henry, Almer, Inghart, Clarence, Arnold, and Joseph Halvorson;



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and one aunt, Alyce Nelson.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at Gentry Morrison Funeral Home in Lakeland, Florida. Lou Ann will be laid to rest with her husband at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, in a private ceremony.

Lou Ann lived a complete life — one marked by strength, grace, generosity, and enduring love.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine (LVIM).

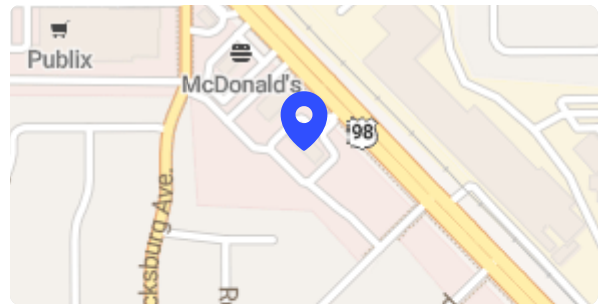


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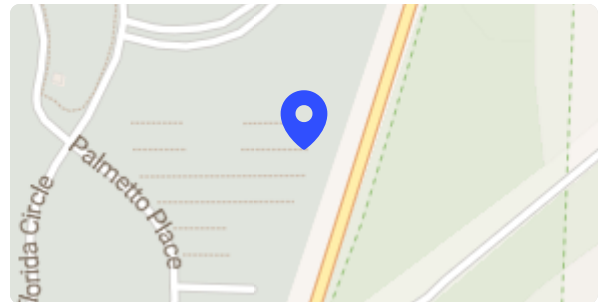
Visitation

- Tuesday**, March 3, 2026
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET
- Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel**
1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland FL 33801



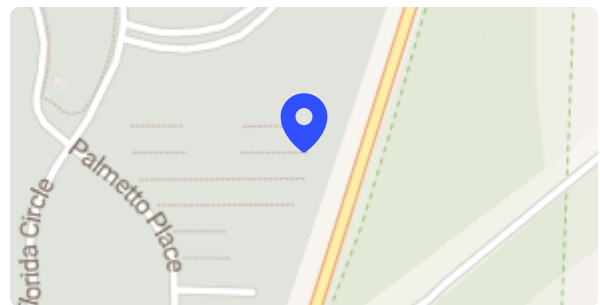
Committal Service

- Thursday**, March 5, 2026
- 10:30 AM ET
- Florida National Cemetery**
6502 SW 102nd Ave., Bushnell FL 33513



Cemetery Details

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Annette Campbell shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

We miss your beautiful smile, but we rejoice in knowing you are with our Heavenly Father and that we will be reunited one day.

March 3 at 11:08 AM



Anonymous sent a Heavenly Grace Spray to the Campbell family.

March 1 at 7:28 PM



Lissa W. planted a grove of 5 Memorial Trees in honor of Lou.

March 1 at 7:14 PM



Annette Campbell March 3 at 11:13 AM
Thank you for this beautiful way to honor Lou.



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Lissa Watson posted:

Lou Ann (Lou) Campbell left this world earlier this week at 93 years old, and while her passing carries sorrow, it also carries the deep, steady love of a life beautifully lived. Lou was the mother of my brother-in-law — a man she raised with kindness, integrity, and quiet strength. In doing so, she gave our family more than she could ever have known. She was a second mother to my sister, especially after our own mom passed nearly twenty years ago at just 64. My sister had been dating Lou's son since she was sixteen — they grew up together, married, and built a life that blessed us all with two wonderful boys whom Lou adored beyond measure. Lou loved with her whole heart. She volunteered at the regional hospital, her church, and throughout her community well into her latter years. Service was not something she did; it was who she was. She was a walker too — brisk and steady through her neighborhood, keeping pace with life. That habit lives on now in my sister, who has taken up walking in her own season of healing. I like to think Lou would smile at that. In her later years, she lived in a memory clinic, but even as memories faded, her spirit did not. She was full of grace. She sang hymns right up until the end. Music seemed to live somewhere deeper than memory. My own memories of Lou are wrapped in holidays — her festive sweaters, her gentle humor, her easy and welcoming smile. And the eggnog — oh, the eggnog — homemade and impossibly rich, like drinking custard. It was legendary. She carried her strong Nordic heritage with pride, honoring traditions and stories that connected generations. Her beloved husband, Bob, a WWII veteran, passed many years ago. This week she will be laid to rest beside him — together again, at peace. I imagine that reunion as tender and joyful. She leaves behind her devoted son, a loving daughter-in-law, and two fine grandsons who carry her imprint. She leaves my sister, who gained not just a mother-in-law but a steady, loving presence when she needed it most. She leaves all of us with the living example of what "family" truly means — not just blood, but welcome; not just tradition, but generosity; not just years, but grace. I will always remember her smile. And I will always be grateful that she raised a son who found and loved my sister, weaving our families together in a way that continues to bless us. Flights of Angels have taken her home. May she rest in peace, and may we carry forward the light she gave so freely.

March 1 at 7:11 PM



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March 3 at 11:08 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Lou by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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