



Alma Louise Hembree

August 16, 1928 - September 14, 2025

Alma L. Hembree, 97, of Portage and formerly of Coloma passed away, with her loved ones close by her side, on Sunday, September 14, 2025, at the Beacon Health-Kalamazoo Hospital.

Alma was born in Hornersville, Missouri, on August 16, 1928, to Ira and Cora Pankey. At a young age she moved to southwest Michigan where she spent most of her life. She married her husband, Thomas Hembree Jr. in 1951. He preceded her in death in 1979. Together they had 28 years of marriage and three great children.

Alma was a homemaker but also worked at Coloma Growers and Tru-Point in Coloma. She enjoyed crafting and looking at craft magazines to find home decorating ideas. She loved to go shopping, especially at thrift stores. But most of all, she enjoyed and loved being with her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her children; Steve Hembree of Harrison, Michigan, Greg (Kelly) Hembree of Big Rapids, Michigan, and Krisa Vanmeter of Portage Michigan, her beloved brother Ira "Carel" Pankey of Benton Harbor, her grandchildren; Seth Hembree, Amber Mangione, Lacey Borstler, Jessica Sommer, and Jason Sherk, and her 6 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters.

At Alma's request, there will not be a visitation at the funeral home. Graveside services celebrating her life will be held at 1 PM on Monday, September 22, at the Coloma Cemetery with Dale Mentor officiating. Memorials may be made to the Beacon Health-Kalamazoo Hospital where Alma had the best possible care. Arrangements are by the Florin Funeral Service. Please share memories or messages at www.florin.net.

Cemetery Details

Coloma Cemetery

5900 Coloma Road
Coloma, MI 49038

Previous Events

Celebration of life

SEP 22. 1:00 PM (ET)

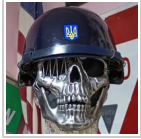
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Burial

SEP 22 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ We still make her cornbread stuffing every Thanksgiving. We will miss having her on this planet.

Mike Yuhas - September 28, 2025 at 06:08 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss, sending prayers for peace and comfort for the family. RIP Mrs. Hembree!!!!

Charlene Hulsey-Harbin - September 18, 2025 at 12:50 PM

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“ Fondly, Your MGC Diagnostics Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alma Louise Hembree.

Fondly, Your MGC Diagnostics Family - September 18, 2025 at 10:55 AM

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“ Fondly, Your MGC Diagnostics Family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Alma Louise Hembree.



Fondly, Your MGC Diagnostics Family - September 18, 2025 at 10:55 AM

JF

“ With heartfelt sympathy to the Hembree family during this transitional time. You have our love and prayers during this difficult time.



Josephine Doss-Smith & Family - September 18, 2025 at 08:11 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Alma Louise Hembree.



September 17, 2025 at 09:03 PM



“ A Life Loved Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Alma Louise Hembree.



September 17, 2025 at 08:59 PM