



## Annie Louella Temple Seibel

May 8, 1919 - September 3, 2017

Annie Louella Temple Seibel passed away peacefully September 3, 2017. She is survived by her sister, Hazel Holmes and her daughters, Anne Rogers (Rick), Susan Seibel (Art Firl), Jean Seibel (Wayne Forrest); three grandchildren, Jake Rogers, Rachel Haines (Jason), and Jamie Forrest and two great grandchildren, Kyle and Keagan Haines.

Annie Louella Temple Seibel was born in Kemper County, Mississippi May 8, 1919. She was the fourth of six children born to Alma Maria Holmes Temple and Thomas Moses Gilmore Temple. After three years of college at the University of Southern Mississippi, when never before heard of opportunities for women abounded during the pre- World War II era, Louella took a civil service test and moved to Washington, DC. for a job with the government. She lived in a rooming house sharing a room with a friend from Mississippi. While there, she met the love of her life, Irwin Allen (Si) Seibel. They had a whirlwind courtship until Si took a job in Hawaii.

When Si wrote her and asked her to marry him, she took the train to San Francisco, CA and worked for six months until she could get passage on a cattle boat going to Hawaii. There, they were married and lived blissfully on the beach for a few of years until the end of WW II when the Army transferred Si to Germany. Louella returned to Mississippi.

Once reunited, they spent their lives outside of Washington, D.C. raising their three daughters. Louella loved her family above everything. She always said family was everything. She and Si loved each other devotedly. In her last years she spent her time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren as well as keeping in touch with family members and friends. She loved the many trips she took with her daughters.

Louella was an accomplished seamstress. She spent many years with her sewing group learning to make and design patterns and clothes. This group of women stayed close for the rest of their lives.

Louella lived a full life, one in which she said she had no regrets. May we all be able to say that.

A celebration of life will be held 2:00pm Friday, September 8, 2017 at the Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens, 1800 Lakeside Ave., Richmond VA 23228. ([www.lewisginter.org](http://www.lewisginter.org)) The family invites you to come early and enjoy walking around the gardens.

Memorial donations can be made to [www.rls.org](http://www.rls.org).

# Tribute Wall

LK

“ Sorry we lost touch. I remember visiting with her in DC while attending a conference.

So sorry the learn of her passing.

Lou Kent

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**Louis Kent** - December 29, 2017 at 12:28 PM

ME

“ Dear Anne, Susan, Jean and family,  
Words just seem so inadequate to express my exceptionally fond feelings for your Mom and my deep sympathy for each of you. Louella is etched in my memories from age 5 until this year...in fact, I can still hear her voice as she would talk with me and make me feel genuinely cared about each time I saw her. I spent a lot of time with your family as a child and benefited from the wonderful role model she was as a mother and as a truly wonderful person. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Love, Linda (Melinda Lasater)

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**Melinda** - September 17, 2017 at 07:55 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.



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September 16, 2017 at 10:56 AM

KL

“ Dear Susan,  
I'm so sorry to hear of your loss of your mom. Peace and comfort be with you at this time.

KATHLEEN LEGG - September 08, 2017 at 01:36 PM

JD

“ Louella and Si were such good friends to my family. When my brother was born on Thanksgiving, Louella delivered a full turkey dinner! We kids had such fun running through the basement in Fairlington. I will never forget her generosity or southern charm. Rest in well deserved peace. Janis Weinstein Dietz

Janis Dietz - September 08, 2017 at 04:59 AM



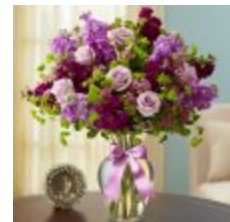
“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.



September 07, 2017 at 03:14 PM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.



September 07, 2017 at 11:13 AM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.*



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September 06, 2017 at 08:20 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.*



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September 06, 2017 at 03:38 PM



“ *Sincerest Sorrow - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.*



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September 06, 2017 at 01:43 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.*



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September 06, 2017 at 11:01 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All Pink was purchased for the family of Annie Louella Temple Seibel.*



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September 06, 2017 at 10:32 AM



“ *My thoughts are with all of you at this difficult time. To me, Louella was the epitome of southern charm and grace. My favorite memory of West Point will always be the four of us shelling pecans on the screened in porch and all the stories and laughter that we shared that evening. Justin*

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**Justin Buckley** - September 06, 2017 at 07:16 AM

RL

“ I have so many memories of life instances in which my Aunt Louella (and her husband, Uncle Sy) were a major part of our lives. My younger sister Karen Marsha was born in September 1947 with a heart condition that required yearly visits to John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, MD. My parents made the yearly trip and spent time with Aunt Louella and Uncle Sy, who lived in Arlington, VA. A few times I could go with them and play with Anne and her baby sister Susan and, later, also Jean. Aunt Louella and Uncle Sy were always there to support my parents. The last visit at that hospital was in early 1956, when Karen returned to have crucial heart surgery, which she did not survive. Aunt Louella and Uncle Sy were again there for my parents.



They supported family during sad times but were also always ready to rejoice in the happiest of times. I loved listening to Aunt Louella's delightful Mississippi accent and enjoyed hearing her stories about our family and her life experiences. We will miss her and her wit, wisdom, big smile, and hearty laugh.

Roni Seibel Liebowitz

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Roni Seibel Liebowitz - September 05, 2017 at 10:51 PM

AM

“ *May the memories of the love you all shared be forever in your hearts.*

*Unfortunately, I didn't have a chance to meet Jaj (As Rachel lovingly calls her) but I have heard many wonderful stories. Stories of her teaching Rachel her secret recipes, telling stories in the kitchen, making jokes or just having a fun time together... I recently went on a work trip with Rachel to San Fran and we did everything on the list the Jaj told us to do! What a jewel of a woman and I'm so happy that my friend was blessed with such an awesome Grandmother like her. You will be missed by many until you are reunited in heaven.*

*Amanda McDaniel*

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**Amanda** - September 05, 2017 at 09:51 PM

EN

“ *I have so many wonderful memories, from early family trips to Arlington and Williamsburg to Loosey Goosey (and llama rama) family reunions and so much more in between. Louella was always kind and welcoming and an all around beautiful person. She'll be in our hearts forever.*



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**Ellie Nicol** - September 05, 2017 at 08:14 PM

JR

“ *We are holding you in our hearts Jean and family. May you carry on a part of her legacy by living life in a way Annie Louella had lived.*

*Love,  
Johanna and Kim*

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**Johanna Rayman** - September 05, 2017 at 07:27 PM

RS

“ I will always remember the trips to Williamsburg. Your smile and Southern charm will forever be our fondest memory of you. We miss you.  
From The Seibels.



Richard Seibel - September 05, 2017 at 07:12 PM

AN

What an amazing woman. I will always remember her kind, gentle and thoughtful manner. She will be greatly missed.  
Annie Noble

Annie Noble - September 05, 2017 at 07:38 PM

MG

I cherish my memories with Louella and especially loved our visits when we lived in Shirlington. She always gave me the biggest hugs, the best pecan pie, and the warmest smiles. My thought and prayers are with you, Susan, Anne and Jean.  
Marianne Garrett

Marianne Garrett - September 05, 2017 at 07:45 PM

MB

Oh My Goodness... How I remember the fun times we had at your home in Arlington, Anne.... Your Mom always greeted me for sleepovers, etc. with the warmest smile and made me feel so at home! The parties she hosted for us kids were "epic" in your basement - we even had live bands!!! What a wonderful Mom to put up with all of that for the love of her daughter - you were blessed, indeed, to have her for so many years - I know how very much she will be missed and , although I am unable to, I wish I could be with you on Friday. I will be with you in thought - with love and sympathy for the entire family, Mary Buenting

Mary Buenting - September 06, 2017 at 07:55 AM

SG

*May your memories continue to comfort you. Rachel and family were so lucky to have 'Jaj' - and boy are we the lucky recipients of the delicious treats Rachel brings to work - courtesy of Jaj's recipes! My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Shannon Green** - September 06, 2017 at 10:45 AM