



Maxine Aven

August 15, 1936 - January 9, 2026

OBITUARY FOR “JEWEL” MAXINE AVEN

Deeply Missed, Forever Loved

Remembering a Treasure

Beloved Louisiana native “Jewel” Maxine (Browder) Aven was promoted to glory on January 9, 2026, surrounded by her devoted family as she quietly found peace in the embrace of her Savior, Jesus Christ.

A Heartfelt Journey

Maxine was born on August 15, 1936. She flourished during her high school and college years, nurturing an appreciation for maps, geography, reading, travel, gardening, friendship, laughter, and her favorite color—pink. In Louisiana, she earned the title of Miss Congeniality in a local beauty contest around 1953. Upon entering the workforce, she was employed as switchboard operator for Southwestern Bell, and later as a Legal Administrative Assistant for a small law firm.

While visiting family in Georgia, Maxine met her future husband, Atlanta pharmacist Carl C. Aven III, when delivering a prescription. Captivated by Maxine’s beauty and grace, Carl promptly requested her phone number, which led to their courtship. The couple married on March 13, 1959, sharing sixty wonderful years together.

Maxine touched countless lives through her selflessness, gentle warmth, and steadfast commitment to loved ones and neighbors. She regularly volunteered at her church and summer camps, giving time and support to various charities

and missionary causes.

Renowned for her graciousness, gratitude, and ever-present smile, Maxine welcomed everyone with kindness and assistance. Her memory of loving compassion continues to be held dear by all who knew her. A true Southern lady who always seemed like she was wearing pearls, Maxine's caring spirit and affection remain enduring gifts.

Enduring Legacy

Maxine's love lives on in the hearts of her daughters: Cynthia Dunn (with husband Craig Dunn) from Tennessee; Terri Aven (widow of son Carl Aven IV) from Oklahoma; and Elizabeth Kelly (with husband Raymond Kelly) also from Oklahoma. Her legacy is carried forward by seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, cherished friends and extended family. She was preceded in passing by her mother Mackie (Harper) Browder, father Ira Browder of Louisiana, her brother Dee Browder of Louisiana, beloved son Carl C. Aven IV in 2007, and husband Carl C. Aven III in 2019.

Celebration of Life

Service arrangements will be announced at a later date. Those wishing to pay tribute to Maxine are invited to send cards to the family or share words of encouragement online.

Tribute Wall

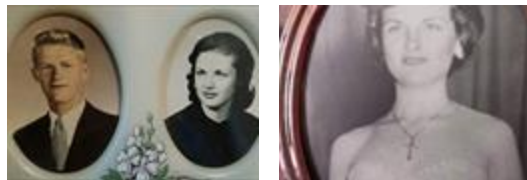
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I remember her kindness and warmth to me.

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