



Fern Lenore Satterlee- Hamelink

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Age 98, of Lakeview, passed away March 3, 2015 at Spectrum Health Kelsey Long Term Care. Fern was born at the family farm in Alpine, Kent County, on April 24, 1916; the daughter of Royal S. and Birdie Pearl Calkins West. Fern was raised in Amorita, Oklahoma and graduated from Amorita High School in 1935. Upon graduation, Fern moved to her Aunt Nora's in Hinton Twp and worked at Kluges Market as a Store Clerk.

Fern married Ernest Satterlee at her Aunt Nora's home in 1937. They celebrated 45 wonderful years together until his passing in 1982. Fern married her second husband Larry Hamelink at the Asbury Methodist Church in Lakeview in 1985. They spent 16 years together until he passed in 2001.

Fern's many hobbies included gardening, sewing, cooking and crafting, wintering in Florida. She really enjoyed being a Farmer's Wife. Fern was a member of the Windy Corners Women's Club, the Deerfield Grange, the Asbury United Methodist Church, and the New Life United Methodist Church.

Fern was preceded in death by her husband Ernest Satterlee in 1982; husband Lawrence Hamelink in 2001; parents Royal and Birdie West; one great-great-grandchild Easton Sonntag; three brothers Elbridge West, John Hughes, and Melvin Hughes.

Fern will be greatly missed by one son Eugene (Irene) Satterlee of Stanton; one daughter Janet (Bob) Culey of Hinton Twp; seven grandchildren Michele (Nick) Lober, David (Trudy) Satterlee, Michael (Kim) Satterlee, Cindy (Bill) Winter, Karen (Les) Cornell, Eric (Lisa) Lucas, and Kristin (Jeff) Parsons; sixteen great-grandchildren; thirteen great-great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law Faye Hughes of TN; many nieces, nephews, and friends.

A celebration of Fern's life will be held Saturday, March 7, 2015 at 11:00 AM at the Brigham Funeral Chapel in Lakeview, Michigan. Family will be accepting friends one hour prior the



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service at 10:00 AM and on Friday, March 6, 2015 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the funeral home. A luncheon will be provided following the service at the New Life United Methodist Church. Memorial Contributions may be made to either Spectrum Health Hospice or to New Life United Methodist Church.



Tribute Wall

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MP

Molly Moblo Perusse posted:

"The grace of God means something like: Here is your life. You might never have been, but you are because the party wouldn't have been complete without you."- Frederick Buechner
My love and hugs reach out to all those who loved Fern. She was a graceful and stubborn wonderful lady. I'm grateful to her because she produced a bunch of my friends. Love you, Molly Moblo Perusse

November 21 at 8:00 PM

SM

Sue Murray posted:

Dear Eugene & Janet, I was so sorry to hear of Fern's passing. She was a beautiful person inside and out. I know she will be missed by all who knew her. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Sue Murray

November 21 at 8:00 PM

GZ

Gayle E. Calkins - Zimmerman posted:

Dear Janet and Eugene, My deepest sympathy on the loss of your Mother. I have many fond memories of both your folks. We often visited Aunt Nora and Uncle Albert Dutmers and then we would come and visit and play with you. Keep in touch.

November 21 at 8:00 PM

KW

Ken West posted:

Dear Janet and Eugene, Remembering Aunt Fern with fond memories, especially the marbles. Always kind and thoughtful, we will miss hearing from her at Christmas. She always took the time to add a few lines about the family in Michigan. We are so sorry for your loss. Love, Ken and Pearl West

November 21 at 8:00 PM

SH

Shirley posted:

It has been many years since I have seen Fern, but I dearly remember her at the Satterlee Reunions. She was a very nice lady. Prayers. Shirley Satterlee Braman

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ML

Mick & Linda posted:

Love and prayers.....

November 21 at 8:00 PM

HT

Helen Wilkinson Taylor posted:

Sincere sympathy on the death of Fern. She was a gentle, lovely lady and we're all better for knowing her. I'll always remember the Saturday nite dances/potluck suppers, which were held in neighborhood homes, wayyyy back in the day. She certainly loved to "cut a rug." I wasn't more than 3 or 4 but that memory remains strong - the dancing, the music (my dad playing the violin, AuntNina on piano and, oh, the square dances!! Good memories of good people.

November 21 at 8:00 PM

WW

Wayne West posted:

Some of my fondest memories are of my time visiting Aunt Fern and Uncle Ernie on their farm. She was such a sweet and caring lady.

November 21 at 8:00 PM

GA

Gayle posted:

Sorry to heard of her passing, My husband sold seed corn for Ernie years ago. She was a great lady!!
Gayle Hunt Hanline

November 21 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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