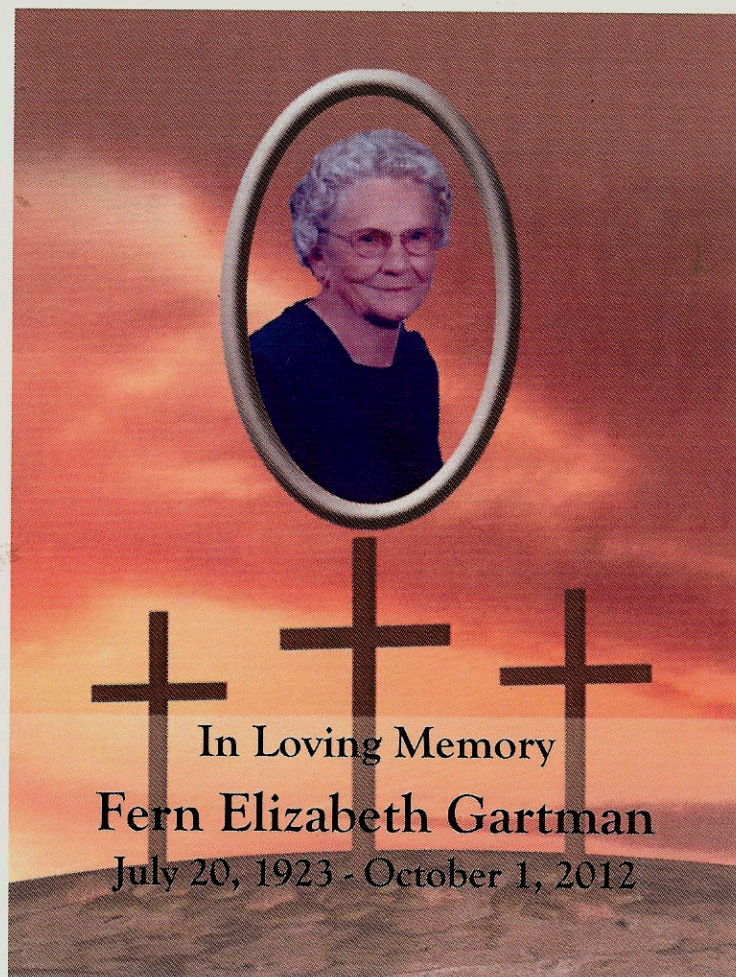


To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do.
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,
Be happy that we had so many beautiful years.
I gave to you my love and you can only guess,
How much you gave to me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown,
But now it's time I traveled on alone.
So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for awhile that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on,
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near,
And if you listen with your heart,
You'll hear, all my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and say, "Welcome Home."

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Fern Gartman, age 89, of rural Jasper, passed away Monday, October 1, 2012 at her home following a long illness.

Fern was born July 20, 1923 at Stillwater, Oklahoma, the daughter of Frank and Bertha (Bennett) Macklin. On January 1, 1939, at Tryon, Oklahoma, she married Bill L. Gartman and they had shared nearly 50 years together before his death July 17, 1988. Bill and Fern had moved to Barton County in 1944 where they farmed and raised their three children. Fern was a member of Lamar United Methodist Church.

In addition to her husband, Bill, Fern was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Allen Macklin and Harry Macklin.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Jerry & Carol Gartman, Morehead City, North Carolina; two daughters and their husbands, Carolyn & Gary Gastel, rural Lamar and Sue & Don Downing, Kansas City, Missouri; three sisters-in-law, Violet Macklin, Stillwater, OK, Laurel Herbinger, Lamar, and Reba Steppe, Oak Grove, MO; 10 grandchildren, Steve (Ginger) Gastel, Bartlesville, OK, Scott Gastel, Lamar, Kent Gastel, Frontenac, KS, Kirk Gastel, Springfield, MO, Jeffrey (Kristi) Gartman, Oklahoma City, OK, Jennifer Lewis, Newport, NC, Jeanette (Billy) Barott, Port Orange, FL, Jason (Mindy) Noel, Fox Point, WI, Justin (Catherine) Noel, Liberty, MO, Damon (Melissa) Downing, Sarasota Springs, UT; 14 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; and a large extended family.

IN MEMORY OF
Fern Gartman

July 20, 1923 ~ October 1, 2012

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:00 p.m. Thursday October 4, 2012
Daniel Funeral Home

OFFICIATING

Rev. Barry Winders
Rev. Don Keithly

MUSIC SELECTIONS

"The Old Rugged Cross"
"How Great Thou Art"
Bruce Belline - Vocalist
Judy Daniel - Organist

PALLBEARERS

Doug Haile ~ Leonard Forst
Ben Reed ~ Tom Gartman
John Gastel ~ Jay Grisolano

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Jack Noll ~ Jack Herbinger
Keefer Cole ~ Linden Wolf

AT REST

Memory Gardens Cemetery