



Norma Fern Carpenter

June 17, 1937 - October 9, 2016

Norma Fern Carpenter, age 79, of Willard, Missouri, passed away at her home, on Sunday, October 9, 2016, while surrounded by family.

Fern was born on June 17, 1937, at home, in St. Clair County, the second of five children born to Opha and Ralph Redman. She grew up in the Polk County area, and worked at Stephen's Photography as a colorist when she was a teenager.

In 1954 Fern married Floyd Carpenter. They lived in Morrisville, before moving to northern Greene County, in 1957. Together they had two children, Joe and Debbie. Fern was a real estate agent in the 1970's, and also a homemaker. Later in life she spent many hours as a volunteer at Cox Hospital. Fern was also a member of the True Hope Missionary Baptist Church, in Springfield.

She loved cooking and recipes. Fern also spent time in her garden, and liked to can the vegetables she harvested. Another one of her favorite things was being in, and around water. She greatly enjoyed fishing, and was genuinely good at it, usually catching her limit.

However, her greatest love were her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Fern always went to their events, and dedicated time to each one of them.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband, Floyd Carpenter, of the home; daughter, Debbie Williams, of Ash Grove; son, Joe Carpenter, and wife Janet, of Springfield; six grandchildren, Corey Carpenter, and wife Lindsay, Casey Carpenter, and wife Emily, Caitlyn Carpenter, Jake Williams, and wife Zarene, Marie Drenon, and husband Kyle, and Wyatt Williams; six great-grandchildren, Ethan, Ella, Sam, Will, and Lauren Carpenter, and Izaak Williams; brothers, Don Redman and Judy, Jim Redman and Liz; and sisters, June Stephens and Ron, and Ann and Joe Sprague.

A visitation will be held at the Butler Funeral Home, in Bolivar, from 5:30 – 7:30, on Wednesday, October 12, 2016.

Funeral Service will be at 1:00 pm, on Thursday, October 13, 2016, at the Butler Funeral Home, in Bolivar. Burial will follow the funeral, and take place at Slagle Cemetery, south of Bolivar.

Cemetery Details

Slagle Cemetery

S 142nd Rd
Morrisville, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
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<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

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Tribute Wall



“ *Norma Fern Carpenter*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Norma Fern Carpenter*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norma Fern Carpenter.*



October 12, 2016 at 11:47 PM



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October 12, 2016 at 03:49 PM

DS

“ Hello Floyd! So sorry to hear about Fern. You had her for a long time. Carolyn and I are coming up to our 64th anniversary. I always thought a lot of you and your family and share in your loss as well as your sorrow. Love to see you sometime. I still live in the same old place - just no long any dogs or horses. Dennis Smith

Dennis Smith - October 11, 2016 at 01:06 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Norma Fern Carpenter.



October 10, 2016 at 11:30 PM

DW

“ Fern was a wonderful friend to my mother, Carolyn. My son, Preston had the privilege of going out on the boat with Fern and her husband many years ago. Preston was very young at the time, but they both made quite an impression on him! God bless your family as you mourn the loss of a lovely lady.

Debbie Walker - October 10, 2016 at 07:08 PM

CB

“ I was privileged to know and work with Fern for nearly 40 yrs. She and I made so many wonderful memories working in the Cox Auxiliary. I will treasure them always and my wonderful friendship with Fern. May GOD BLESS THE FAMILY.

Carolyn Bousman - October 10, 2016 at 11:51 AM