



Melvina Fern Roberts

October 3, 1935 - December 23, 2022

Funeral Services for Melvina Fern Roberts will be 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at Marshall Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Nathan Hosier, officiating. Interment will follow at Alva Municipal Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to Marshall Funeral Home.

Melvina Fern Roberts was born to the late Erta J. Gum and Edith (Knight) Gum on October 3, 1935 in Alva, Oklahoma, and passed away December 23, 2022, in Alva, Oklahoma at the age of 87 years, 2 months, 20 days.

She attended Alva High School. She married Howard Orlando Roberts on December 24, 1952, in Alva, Oklahoma. Together with her husband Howard, Fern farmed and raised her family near Yates Center, Kansas. Later in life she was a nurses aide and worked her way to being the activity director at Chapman's Nursing Home in Yates Center.

She enjoyed arts and crafts, sewing, painting and quilting. She and her husband also restored homes and loved making them new. Fern was the choir director for several years at Yates Center Methodist Church. Music and singing were a big part of her life.

Fern was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Howard; son, Jay Mitchell Roberts; and daughter-in-law, Sharon Roberts; her siblings,

Marguerite Budenseik, Wesley Gum, E.J. Gum, and Marion Gum.

She is survived by her sons, Stephen Howard Roberts of Lawrence, Kansas, and Jeffery Mark Roberts and his partner Frances Lynch of Portland, Oregon; grandchildren, Michael Jeffery Roberts and his wife, Audrey Roberts of Boise, Idaho; Nicole Michelle Stivers and her husband David Stivers of Hutchinson, Kansas; Jonathan Michael Roberts and his partner Trisha Delano of Lebanon, Oregon; great-grandchildren, Jude Alexander Roberts, Nicholas Michael Roberts, Corbin Riley Roberts; daughter-in-law, Susan Roberts; and many other family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be through the funeral home to the charity of your choice in Fern's memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-2311
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home Chapel
230 Flynn
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Melvina Fern Roberts*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *I have many memories from my childhood of visiting with Fern & Howard when I would visit my grandparents, Morris & Margurite. My grandma was Fern's sister and they were close. Fern and Howard also visited my family a few times in WI. I always remember her with a smile and a warm hug. I'm so sorry for your loss.*

Amy Latka - January 01, 2023 at 11:07 AM



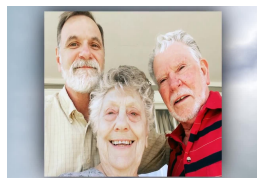
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“ *I recall her both when they lived on the farm and after they moved to town, a great lady, may she rest in please.*

Bruce W Seybold - December 27, 2022 at 12:02 AM