



Lorraine Fettke

April 24, 1927 - May 4, 2009

Lorraine, daughter of Sophia (Goeringer) and Forest Bender was born on April 24, 1927 at her parents' home in Alva, Oklahoma. She passed away suddenly at the Alva Share Medical Center on the 4th of May at the age of 82 years and 10 days.

She attended the Alva Public Schools and graduated with the class of 1945. In 1968 she graduated from Northwestern College with a B.A. in English Education.

Miss Bender was married to Merle Fettke on October 23, 1947 at the Alva Friends Church by Rev. William E. Ralphs. To their marriage two sons, Steven and Mark were born.

Following their marriage they lived in Alva. Lorraine worked as a Legal Secretary for Herb Smith for many years.

She was a life long member of the Alva Friends Church where she taught Sunday School; and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was well known for her award winning quilts.

Mrs. Fettke was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Carroll.

Lorraine is survived by her husband, Merle; two sons and their wives, Steven and Lorraine (Tilly) of Lakeland, Florida and Mark and Kim Schlessinger of Corvallis, Oregon; three grandchildren, Phillip, Stephanie and Sophia of Lakeland, Florida; a sister Jeanene Bender and a brother and his wife, Royce and Joyce, all of Alva.

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Previous Events

Family Visitation

MAY 7. 6:30 PM - 8:00 AM (CT)

Wharton's Funeral Chapel
1302 Oklahoma Blvd.
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-1234
whartonchapel@gmail.com
<https://www.whartonfuneralchapel.com/>

Funeral Service

MAY 8. 1:00 PM (CT)

Alva Friends Church
614 College Avenue
Alva, Ok

Tribute Wall

VS

“ Merle & Family...So sorry and shocked to hear of Lorraine's passing. I have such fond memories of the many times she, Joyce Morland, Ella Juanita Evans and I shared time together on coffee breaks at Holder's.

Lorraine's winning smile will always be remembered, along with her friendship. Please know you're in my thoughts and prayers for comfort, as only the Lord can provide.

Vaughna Schmidt - May 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ Merle & family...I have many special memories of the times Lorraine, Joyce Morland, Ella Juanita Evans and I had coffee together at Holder's. Lorraine always shared a smile, and I feel so blessed having her as a friend for so many years. You're in my thoughts and prayers for comfort, as only the Lord can provide.

Vaughna Schmidt - May 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ All my sympathy to the family of Lorraine Fettke. Psalm 116-15..Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. These words came to be as I read my e-mail message concerning the passing of Steve's Mother. I'll be praying for you. Blessings, Darlene Vassall....

darlene vassall - May 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Lorraine was a very sweet and kind lady and one of my favorite church ladies.

Kathy Schwerdtfeger - May 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *The loss of such a special, sweet person is so difficult. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Whether we visited about quilting, family, or spraying the yard and trees, we always enjoyed our visits. Quilting was our favorite topic, and I loved to see the beautiful quilts Lorraine made. May God bless you.*

Jimmy & Diana (Greer) Stein - May 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ *LORRAINE WAS A VERY SPECIAL PERSON WHO WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND COMMUNITY. I WAS VISITING WITH HER LAST WEEK WHILE WE WERE PICKING OUT FABRIC. WHENEVER WE MET, WE ALWAYS HAD A LITTLE CHAT AND I WILL MISS THEM.*

ANN KLINE - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

YT

“ *My thoughts are with you.*

If I can be of assistance

here in Alva, please feel

free to call

Yvonne Easter Thilsted - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

IE

“ *It was such a shock to learn of Lorraine's passing. She was always the consummate lady, in every sense of the word, and will be dearly missed.*

Ida Evans - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Dear Mark, so sorry for the loss of your mother. No words can wash the hurt away but know that prayers are being lifted up in your families name.

Trooper Jimmy & Julie (Davison) Helm - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

C1

“ Speaking for the entire Class of 1977 we are saddened by the loss of your mother. We have had six classmates loose a parent in '08 and two already in '09. We pray that you will find comfort knowing we are all thinking of you.

Class of 1977 - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Dear Merle,

I am sorry to hear of your loss of Lorraine. I have many fond memories of both of you during my early working years in Alva. I worked for Bill Hadwiger and Lorraine was right next door. God's perfect plan for a first-time mother fresh out of college! Thanks for sharing Lorraine and your home with me. Love, Anna Booze and husband Brad, and "baby" 20 year old Jake, and Cole Booze (15).

Anna Booze - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Lorraine was never seen without a smile on her face.

This was such a shock. I just saw her on Sunday at the Historical Tour. Our loss is heaven's gain. Merle and family your have our sympathy.

Loleta Leslie - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *We loved Lorraine very much.*

She was a very dear family member. We are thankful that we could celebrate her birthday with her.

She will be greatly missed.

Paul & Cathy Fettke - May 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM