



Esther Fern Merrell

November 18, 1948 - March 8, 2024

Esther Fern Merrell, 75, of Searcy, departed this life on Friday, March 8, 2024. She was born in Modesto, California, on November 18, 1948, to Lewis D. and Doris Christine (Elliott) Allen. Fern spent most of her time taking care of others. She was a caregiver and a housekeeper for many people throughout her life. She never met a stranger and greeted everyone with a hug. She was always loving, generous, and thoughtful. In her younger years, Fern enjoyed country-western dancing. Her hobbies included cooking, fishing, playing Bingo, and most importantly, spending time with friends and family. Fern was of Christian faith. She was greeted in Heaven by her parents; her brother, Lonnie; and her three sisters, Charlitta, Mary, and Doris. She is survived by her husband, Ervin Merrell; two daughters, Tammy Runyon (Dwayne) of Tupelo and Sarah Dagenais (Kyle) of Springdale; one grandson, Lucas Runyon of Tupelo; two great grandchildren, Lila Runyon and Brynlee Runyon; and one sister, Jeanie Hyde (Christina) of Augusta. Visitation will be at Powell Funeral Home Chapel of Bradford on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. with the memorial service immediately following. Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home in Bradford, Arkansas. www.powellfuneralhome.net

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 23. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

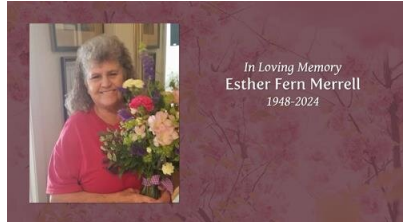
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Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Esther Fern Merrell



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - March 19, 2024 at 04:57 PM

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“ Kim Heath lit a candle in memory of Esther Fern Merrell



kim Heath - March 22, 2024 at 05:05 PM

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Fern was always the baker in the family. Making some of the best candies especially at Christmas. She always made us cakes for birthdays. One I do remember is my sweet sixteen cake. “ From crayons to lipstick” it was so perfect. I always felt loved when with her and could go to her for anything. Tammy and I was more like sisters than cousins. Fern will always hold a special place in my heart. Much love and prayers to you all. I love you Tammy , always.

kim Heath - March 22, 2024 at 05:11 PM

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“ *Much Love, The Terrell family(& Millers) purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Esther Fern Merrell.*



Much Love, The Terrell family(& Millers) - March 21, 2024 at 02:59 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Esther Fern Merrell.*



March 14, 2024 at 10:18 AM