



Melba Fern Weir

May 27, 1928 - November 8, 2021

Fern Caraway Weir, 93, of Lubbock, Texas went to be with her Lord and Savior on November 8, 2021.

She was born May 27, 1928 in Lubbock, TX to the late Con & Elsie Wells Caraway. Fern lived in Lubbock all her life. On July 4, 2019 Fern attended the Old Settlers Reunion where she was honored as the oldest attendee born in Lubbock, still living there.

Her grandfather, John K Caraway, was one of the first settlers in the area and was instrumental in forming Lubbock County, a legacy that meant so much to Fern. She was the last living grandchild of John & Callie Caraway.

Her children and grandchildren loved to hear her many stories of growing up & her time on The Skillet Ranch- its Mulberry tree and windmill a Lubbock landmark at 50th & Indiana.

On March 18, 1950 Fern married the love of her life, Howard. Together they made a simple, yet beautiful life, raising their three girls. Fern loved the Lord and shared that love with the children she taught in Sunday School. She was also a telephone operator, retiring from AT&T with 30 years of service.

Loved ones welcoming Fern to her heavenly home include her husband, Howard, her beloved granddaughter, Kayla Petropoulos Ellis, son-in-law, Mike Murley, and her sisters Jean Lowry & Margaret Wilkison.

Those left to cherish her memory are daughters Jane (George) Fowles, Melba Petropoulos, and Gayle Murley; grandchildren Pete (Angie) Petropoulos, Amy (Shaun) Borden, Den (Brittany) Murley, and grandson-in-law George Ellis;

great-grandchildren Brooklyn, Molly, Noah, and Owen Ellis, Morgan, SJ & Ella Borden, Houston & Opal Caraway Murley (named for her great-grandmother). Fern also leaves behind special nieces and nephews, her dear friends in the "Gleaners SS Class" at Southcrest Baptist Church, and her faithful little dog, Teddy.

Fern was what some might call an extrovert. She could make friends with a fence post (and probably would if she thought it needed one). She loved to serve others. If you entered her home she was sure to offer you something delicious to eat & drink. She was a fabulous cook, making easily the best pecan pie in west Texas. We are all better for having been loved by her.

Cemetery Details

City of Lubbock Cemetery

2011 E 31st Street
Lubbock, TX 79404

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM.

Sanders Funeral Home

Funeral Service

NOV 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401

Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Melba Fern Weir



Sanders Funeral Home - November 12, 2021 at 01:48 PM



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Melba Fern Weir



Sanders Funeral Home - November 11, 2021 at 11:06 AM

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I'm so glad I got to meet you Ms Wier enjoyed every minute with you

Rebecca Robinson - May 22, 2024 at 01:21 PM

DO

“ Fern was my second cousin. Her husband Howard Weir's grandmother Sarah Jordan and my great grandfather John Jordan were brother and sister who moved to Texas from Tallapoosa, Alabama due to the civil war. When I was a Texas Tech student, I didn't even know she lived in Lubbock since genealogy research was in it's infancy. There are many, many descendants of John now, and all Fern's children are our family too. She was very nice. May she rest in peace.

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/LW82-TY3>

Deniz Oktay - January 25, 2022 at 03:11 PM

BH

Fern was a sweet lady! My father-in-law was their pastor in Lubbock at Melonie Park Baptist Church at 66th and Indiana, just down the road from the original Caraway farm. Beulah Caraway also worshipped with us there. She was a skilled and caring health care specialist and known for her German Chocolate cakes! We worshipped together for years and because of Jesus' John 3:16 Promise of Everlasting Life to anyone who just believes He will keep that precious promise, we will worship together again! So thankful Jesus promised "whoever BELIEVES," not whoever BEHAVES. 🙏

Barbara Hardy - September 04, 2025 at 08:19 PM

TI

“ Our deepest sympathies to the family of Mrs. Weir . May the memories of happy times bring you comfort during this time of loss. I have a painting of the mulberry tree and windmill at 50th ST. Your family is welcome to have it if you'd like.



Tracy Baugh-Home Instead - November 11, 2021 at 05:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melba Fern Weir.*



November 11, 2021 at 01:35 PM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melba Fern Weir.*



November 11, 2021 at 11:15 AM



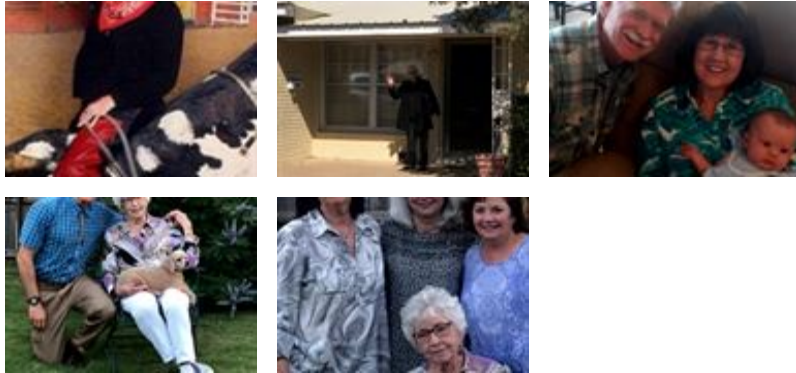
“ *Carol Wilson purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Melba Fern Weir.*



Carol Wilson - November 11, 2021 at 10:20 AM



“ 87 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Sanders Funeral Home - November 11, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Melba Fern Weir.



November 10, 2021 at 11:47 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Melba Fern Weir.



November 10, 2021 at 06:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Melba Fern Weir.*



November 10, 2021 at 04:32 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Melba Fern Weir.*



November 10, 2021 at 04:02 PM