



## Fern Bennett Thornberry

October 19, 1944 - August 20, 2013

Fern Bennett Thornberry, 68, of Boston, Arkansas, died August 20, 2013 at her home. She was born October 19, 1944 at Boston, Arkansas, the daughter of Otto and June Johnson Bennett. She was a homemaker and farmer, a member of the Church of Christ and was preceded in death by her mother and one brother, Calvin Bennett. Fern always found great happiness in serving God and others. She looked forward to church services, loved to sing God's praises and enjoyed fellowship with other Christians. She loved almost everyone that she met, so therefore, she was loved by all that knew her. When she was just 14, she and Doug fell in love and on December 22, 1961, they were married. Their marriage of 51 ½ years was filled with happiness and they endured their hardships together, remaining side by side to the very end. Fern treasured the fact that for all of her sixty-eight years she lived very close to her parents, grandparents, brothers, sister, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and later on her kids, grandkids and great-grandkids. She always put everyone else's needs before her own. Because of the Godly life that she lived, we have full assurance that she is now in God's care, along with all her loved ones who have gone on before. Survivors include: her husband, Douglas Thornberry of the home; one son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Cindy Thornberry of Boston, Arkansas; one daughter and son-in-law, Charlotte and Jeff Haire of Combs, Arkansas; her father, Otto Bennett of Boston, Arkansas; one brother and sister-in-law, Glen and Joann Bennett of Boston, Arkansas; one sister and brother-in-law, Janice and Herby Jordan of

Boston, Arkansas; five grandchildren, Christy Thornberry, Courtney Starnes, Katie Thornberry, Kendall Haire and Chad Thornberry and two great-granddaughters, Adalyn Starnes and Emery Starnes. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P. M. Friday, August 23, in the chapel of Brashears Funeral Home with Pat Mannon, Minister officiating. Interment will be in the Combs Cemetery under the direction of Brashears Funeral Home [www.brashearsfuneralhome.net](http://www.brashearsfuneralhome.net) of Huntsville, Arkansas. Pallbearers will be: Chad Thornberry, Kendall Haire, Josh Starnes, Jason Wilson, Brian Bennett, T. J. Bennett, Scott Jordan and Shane Jordan. The family will receive friends from 5:00 P. M. to 7:00 P. M. on Thursday at the funeral home. In Lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Arkansas Children's Hospital Foundation, Post Office Box 2222, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-2222 or Washington Regional Hospice, 34 Colt Square Drive, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72703.

# Tribute Wall

ST

“ Sorry to hear about Fern. When we would come out to visit our grandparents in Pettigrew, the entire family welcomed us and treated us as if we were family. You are all a great group of people.

Steve - February 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ She was always a very sweet person. She won't be forgotten.282

Sam & Wilda Fifer - September 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ So sorry for your loss. Fern was a wonderful lady. God help you to find peace and strength in your hearts to see you through this time of sorrow.

Nancy Clouse - August 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Janice you & the family are in my thoughts and prayers during this time.

Mary Pittman - August 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Fern Bennett Thornberry

Rita and Curtis Ficht - August 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Fern was such a sweet lady. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Andi Korte - August 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss.*

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**Creagan Maurice** - August 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Fern Bennett Thornberry*

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**martha&earl whirley** - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *Fern Bennett Thornberry*

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**golda brandenburg** - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ *doug and family were sorry for your loss*

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**larry&shirley johnson** - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ *So sorry to hear about Fern. We will be thinking of you and your family.*

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**Gary & Debbie Wood** - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ *doug you are in our thoughts and prayers*

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**wayne&gussie johnson** - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family. She was a great lady!!*

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**Jackie and Johnny** - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Prayers and thought are with your family.

Jason Bryant - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ The family is in my thoughts and prayers during this trying times.  
May God bless this family.

Martha Clark - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Charles, I was sorry to learn of your Mother's passing. You and your family are in my prayers.

Sue Murphy - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thought and prayers are with all of you.

Susan Collins-Burrough - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Fern Bennett Thornberry

goanie henderson - August 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Charlotte, Sorry for your families lose. I pray for comfort and peace for all. take care. thinking of you fondly.

jennifer gloer - August 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Sorry to hear of Fern's passing. Will keep the family in my prayers*

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**Marjorie (Arnold) Mason** - August 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *Fern Bennett Thornberry*

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**Pattie Shinn** - August 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM