



## Fern Martha Lytton

January 26, 2016

Fern Martha Lytton, 98, of Quicksburg, VA died Monday, January 25, 2016 at TimberView Crossing. Miss Lytton was born February 3rd, 1917 in Quicksburg, daughter of the late John P. and Orpha Zirkle Lytton. Miss Lytton graduated from Triplett High and Vocational School in 1935. She retired from H. D. Lee in Broadway, VA. A member of Quicksburg United Methodist Church, she served as their treasurer for over fifty years. Fern has a zest for life and loved her family. She was an avid gardner and couldn't wait til spring to get her hands in the dirt and amongst her flowers. She worked with her brother Bruce on the family farm and especially enjoyed taking care of her baby calves. She is survived by a number of nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great, great nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her family of caregivers at TimberView who provided her with love, concern, and friendship. She was preceded in death by Winnie Lytton, Maye Rucker, Mary B. Bibb, and Raye, Byrd, Ralph, Bruce, Allen, Olga, Tye, a twin brother Fred, and Romeo Lytton. Services will be Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. at Quicksburg United Methodist Church, with Rev. Michael Dettmer officiating. Burial will follow at Cedar Grove Cemetery in New Market. Pallbearers will be Christopher Siebert, Christopher Lively, Timothy Kimberlain, Joe Cornwell, Danny Lytton and Pablo Chavis. The family will receive friends Tuesday, February 2, 2016 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations may be give to Quicksburg United Methodist Church, c/o Linda Williams, Bob White



# Tribute Wall

AB

“ I am sorry for your loss. Grief can be so hard, but our special memories help us cope. Remembering you and your loved one today and always. 2 Corinthians 1:3,4 reminds us that God is always there to comfort us. I pray this helps you to find solace.

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**AB** - February 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ We really liked Fern. She was a great source of information to the history of Quicksburg and to how things used to be. She was a inspiration to her sunday school perfect attendance which I remember was at least 48 years and probably lots more. She always remembered us at Christmas with a card sometimes before we got one to her first, and even when in the nursing home. She will be missed.

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**Steve & Tammy Olinger & Family** - February 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Aunt Fern would have been 99 on February 3rd. She was a feisty little lady who, up until about a year ago, lived in the same house in the Shenandoah Valley in which she was born. She lived there without indoor plumbing, the internet, and a lot of other modern conveniences that we take for granted. She could grow anything and had the most beautiful flowers on her property--peony plants that were over 100 years old that still produced beautiful blooms. Until a little before she went into the nursing home at 97 or so, she kept a large vegetable garden from which she fixed her meals. She never married because she felt that, as the youngest of 13 children, it was her responsibility to stay in the family home and care for her aging parents. She loved her family and knew the names of all of her 33 nieces and nephews AND all of their children. Even at 98 her mind and memory were as sharp as a tack. She was brutally honest and always told you exactly what she thought, even if it hurt your feelings. I'm proud that I was named after her. She was some kind of woman and I will miss her.

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**Martha Lytton Van Trees** - February 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Dear Fern: We are grateful for your love of flowers and showing us the plant with Baby Jesus in his cradle when it bloomed after dark. We are grateful for your counsel even when given with a tablespoon of vinegar. I'm sure you are keeping the boys straight. Margaret Ann

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**Margret Ann Lytton-Lewis** - January 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Aunt Fern was a feisty lady who even though her nieces and nephews are many always remembered me and even my children's names. She will be missed.

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**Robin Lytton** - January 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TI

“ *As I am raising my daughter I hope she picks up some of Great Aunt Fern's independence, strength, and longevity! She worked and planted many varieties of gardens than just the ones made of plants and earth.*

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**Tyrus Lytton III** - January 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *We will definitely miss Great Aunt Fern. She was self sufficient and a very knowledgeable person. She never let a little hard work and effort get in her way. She loved planting and working her garden. She did it the same way that she learn as a young lady. She loved her flowers and bushes. I remember her getting a little upset that some bushes were not cut right a few years ago. It was a pleasure speaking with her. We were always interested in the family history and she was a living text book on the current and the far past. Learned that my 3rd Great Grandfather died in a Union prison during the civil war. She was a kind, loving person and will be missed by all whose lives she touched.*

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**Jim and Carol Litten** - January 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Great Aunt Fern was widely admired and will be greatly missed. My children (her great-great niece and nephew) and I are incredibly thankful to have heard so many stories of Fern's tenacity and lively spirit. I will always think of her as "my Great Aunt Fern who had a twin brother just like me." Rest in peace, Aunt Fern.*

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**Abby Lytton Smolarsky** - January 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM