



## Ida Fern Williams

February 1, 1926 - May 30, 2017

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Mattoon - Ida "Fern" Williams, age 91, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 1:40 p.m., May 30, 2017, at her residence.

The funeral service in her honor will begin at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, June 3, 2017, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938, with Pastor Johnny Aseltine officiating. Burial will follow at Dodge Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be held at the funeral home from 11:00 a.m., until the service begins.

Fern was born February 1, 1926, in Coles County, the daughter of Loris E. and Hazel E. (Whitley) Graham. She married Lawrence E. Williams on March 4, 1943, in Mattoon, IL. He passed away November 1, 1988. Survivors include four children: Judy Brown of Mattoon, IL, Marsha McCoy of Mattoon, IL, Robert "Bob" Williams of Neoga, IL, and Roger Williams (Donna) of Byhalia, MS; ten grandchildren: Teresa Coy (Bob) of Maryville, TN, Angie Patrick (Marty) of Neoga, IL, Kami McDonough (Drew) of Mattoon, IL, April Banning (Shawn) of Neoga, IL, Chad Williams (Amy) of Effingham, IL, Noel (Derek) Sorensen of Mattoon, IL, Scott Williams of Nashville, TN, Sean Williams of Champaign, IL, Billy Williams of Jonesboro, AR, and Joey Williams of Byhalia, MS; nine great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; two son-in-law's, Johnny Brown and Larry McCoy; a daughter-in-law, Deborah Williams; one brother, Dallas Graham; and one sister, Nilene Zajko.

Fern was a talented seamstress and had worked for Hamilton Cleaners and later Kern Manufacturing. She was a member of the Mattoon Eagles and Senior Club. She enjoyed volunteering at the Mattoon Community Food Center and the Peterson House. She cherished her friends and loved playing Bunco, however, spending time with her family was what she treasured most. Please visit [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) or [www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome](https://www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome) to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with her family.

# Cemetery Details

## Dodge Grove Cemetery

917 North 22nd Street  
Mattoon, IL 61938

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 3.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home Ltd.  
1200 Wabash Ave  
Mattoon, IL 61938  
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## Service

**JUN 3.** 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ida Fern Williams*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *I will deeply miss my grandmother Ida "Fern" Williams. She was an amazing woman and a wonderful spirit. I wish that I was able to make it to her funeral, but I was able to spend time with her before her passing, a gift that I will always cherish. My husband Neth had the blessing of getting to know her and she showed him love without prejudice and considered him as family. We all love and miss eternally. Scott and Neth Williams*

Scott Williams - June 03, 2017 at 06:44 PM



“ *Scott I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved Grandmother please know that you and your husband Neth are in my thoughts and prayers. Love and light to you both.*

Fran Staley - June 03, 2017 at 08:47 AM



*Thank you so very much Fran. You are such a sweet spirit. Love you*

Scott Williams - June 03, 2017 at 04:30 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ida Fern Williams.*



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June 02, 2017 at 02:37 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ida Fern Williams.*



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June 01, 2017 at 08:26 PM