



Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes

May 26, 1950 - June 6, 2015

Fern Shank-Barnes, 65 of Entiat, passed on June 6th 2015, at home with her husband John on their 30th wedding anniversary, after 16+ months of cancer. She was born at Entiat on May 26, 1950 to Les and Elaine Shank. She spent most of her life in the Entiat Valley.

Fern, and her sisters, grew up helping their dad and mom with the family logging business. Fern continued working with her dad until both retired in 2013.

She fell trees, drove log and dump trucks, operated backhoes, skidders, dozers, delimiters, loaders, and excavators. Not too many gals worked in this business in the 1970's but she earned the respect of anyone who doubted her when they witnessed her operating the equipment. For a 6 year stint she was co-owner and manager of Cooper's General Store in Ardenvoir, Washington. She would tell you straight up what she thought, which made her a special friend to many. She always had a warm welcome and a hardy sense of humor. Fern married John Barnes on June 6th, 1985 in Entiat. During the marriage, they survived 10 years of working together, building a house and managing Cooper's Store. It was truly a loving friendship of 30+ years.

Fern is survived by her husband John Barnes of Entiat, daughter Nikki Daggett and granddaughter Sevanna of Wenatchee, daughter Lacey (Dave) Kirkpatrick of East Wenatchee and expected baby, her sisters Linda (Jim) McHargue of Entiat and Cheryl Shank Steen of Cashmere, and her father Les (Sharlene) Shank of Entiat. Fern is also survived by numerous Aunts and

Uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother Elaine Shank of Entiat, sisters Beverly Shank of Entiat and Barbara Wick of Auburn.

Memorial services will be held at the Warehouse Community Church, 14916 Highway 97A in Entiat, Saturday June 13, 2015 at 11:00 AM. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home

Tribute Wall

LK

“ *Can't believe it's been 7 yrs since you've been gone. Miss you everyday. Your Grand Daughters know you, through me. They ask me about Grandma Fern and I'm more than happy to tell them about you. Love you Mom.* ”



Lacey Kirkpatrick - November 25, 2022 at 07:48 PM

JO

“ *John lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes* ”



John - April 21, 2022 at 12:02 AM

LK

“ *Lacey Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes* ”



Lacey Kirkpatrick - March 30, 2021 at 01:49 PM

LK

“ *Lacey And Dave Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes* ”



Lacey and Dave Kirkpatrick - April 24, 2020 at 12:40 PM

LK

“ Lacey And Dave Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Lacey and Dave Kirkpatrick - June 07, 2016 at 12:56 AM

KD

“ Ive ran into Fern with her sister Linda in Wenatchee several times.It was like seeing family.She was warm and always friendly and made me laugh again. You will be forever sorely missed.To the family,Im so truly sorry for your loss and sorrow.Love all of you.Karen Rainbolt Dull



Karen Dull - June 16, 2015 at 05:39 AM

CS

“ Cheryl Shank Steen lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Cheryl Shank Steen - June 15, 2015 at 09:07 AM

KE

“ As Fern's Aunt and Uncle, we wish we could have spent more time with her over the years. Living so far away, we could spend only limited time on the occasions when we were visiting relatives in the area however, she will always be remembered as a beautiful lady, warm and friendly to everyone. She was so dedicated to her family. She will be so missed.

Kenneth - June 15, 2015 at 09:04 AM

KS

“ *Kenneth & Bonnie Shank lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Kenneth & Bonnie Shank - June 15, 2015 at 09:00 AM

RH

“ *Rusty Hurd lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Rusty Hurd - June 13, 2015 at 12:07 PM



“ *Les Julian lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Les Julian - June 13, 2015 at 11:23 AM

MR

“ *Martha Rochester-Gant lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Martha Rochester-Gant - June 13, 2015 at 10:08 AM

BE

“ Bernadette lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Bernadette - June 13, 2015 at 02:08 AM

BE

May you rest in peace .i will miss you in the drive -thru.you always had a smile on your face.

Bernadette - June 13, 2015 at 02:11 AM

TL

“ Fern you will never be forgotten. I have so many memories of us getting together and the stories we shared and all of the laughs that we had our long talks about our kids you were a wonderful friend mother and wife who I always cherished. You had a heart of gold and very dear to my heart. John, Niki, Lacy, Linda and extended family my thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. I will see you again someday.Rest in Peace Fern.??????



Tina Logan - June 13, 2015 at 01:21 AM

TL

“ Tina Logan lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Tina Logan - June 13, 2015 at 01:01 AM

BR

“ *Brigitte Ranne lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Brigitte Ranne - June 12, 2015 at 07:46 PM

TH

“ *Fern was such a fun person. What an honor it was to have know her.
Blessing and comfort to everyone sharing this sad loss.
The Haapapuro Family will miss her.*



The Haapapuro's - June 12, 2015 at 05:08 PM

MI

“ *I was fortunate to have been Fern's classmate all through elementary and high school. She was a special person, a funny and fun person to be around. The times I ran into Fern over the years, it was like running into a family member you hadn't seen for awhile.*

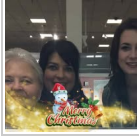
Mitch - June 12, 2015 at 03:06 PM

MA

“ *Mike And Marty Anthis lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Mike and Marty Anthis - June 12, 2015 at 08:32 AM



“ *Dee Baird lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Dee Baird - June 12, 2015 at 01:38 AM

GF

“ *Gary And Jackie Fisher lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Gary and Jackie Fisher - June 12, 2015 at 01:32 AM

JS

“ *John & Brenda Steady lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



John & Brenda Steady - June 11, 2015 at 11:47 PM

DB

“ *Fern, you will truly be missed, you were always there for everyone . David and I were so glad to have you as a friend. We will see you again someday. Love you.*

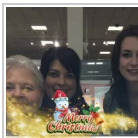


David & Kay Bowyer - June 11, 2015 at 10:59 PM

GA

“ My family has such fond memories of Fern. As a young girl I remember how close she and my dad were as they logged together. Then when I moved back to the valley she and Les helped us excavate for our house just around the corner from her and John. Now my kids have built many memories with her and John. For years they went to John and Ferns "pumpkin patch" for Halloween. And they LOVED going to their great sled run with a great fire while they drank hot chocolate. We've been very lucky 😊
The Duncan's: Bruce, Garci, Carson, Blake and Drew

Garci - June 11, 2015 at 09:30 PM



“ Dee Baird lit a candle in memory of Fern
Elaine Shank-Barnes



Dee Baird - June 11, 2015 at 01:47 PM

KN

“ Kathie Neu lit a candle in memory of Fern
Elaine Shank-Barnes



Kathie Neu - June 11, 2015 at 11:57 AM

BK

“ *Bob Knippel*



bob knippel - June 11, 2015 at 09:57 AM

BC

“ *Brian Carter lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Brian Carter - June 11, 2015 at 09:16 AM

JF

“ *Jan Fryer sent a virtual gift in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Jan Fryer - June 11, 2015 at 08:57 AM

LB

“ *Fern was one heck of a hard working lady. I always thought growing up in Ardenvoir that she was one tough woman. I admired her for all the things she could do. She will be true my missed*



lori berube - June 11, 2015 at 08:20 AM

EK

“ Ed And Marilyn Kamphaus lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Ed and Marilyn Kamphaus - June 11, 2015 at 07:39 AM

PG

“ Pat Garrison lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



pat garrison - June 11, 2015 at 01:03 AM

JB

“ Jim, Holly and LeighAnne Barnes will also miss Fern. We wish we could join you Saturday.



Jim Holly and LeighAnne Barnes - June 10, 2015 at 11:27 PM

MW

“ Marcia Williams lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Marcia Williams - June 10, 2015 at 10:40 PM

GI

“ So sorry for the loss of your loved one Lacey & John



Gabriele Insley - June 10, 2015 at 09:25 PM

DD

“ John, sorry to hear about Fern, we are thinking of you. Dan & Carol Didra



dan didra - June 10, 2015 at 08:57 PM

MM

“ Mike Mac Master lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Mike Mac Master - June 10, 2015 at 06:57 PM

LK

“ My mom was AWESOME! I was so blessed to have her in my life. She lit up a room when she entered it and her laugh was one of a kind. She was one of a kind. Our memories of her will live on through all of us. I love you Mom!

Lacey and Dave Kirkpatrick - June 10, 2015 at 06:54 PM

MD

“ *Myrna Duke lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Myrna Duke - June 10, 2015 at 06:46 PM

LK

“ *Lacey And Dave Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Lacey and Dave Kirkpatrick - June 10, 2015 at 06:44 PM



“ *R.I.P Fern..* ❤️❤️



Nicole MacMaster - June 10, 2015 at 06:37 PM

VQ

“ *Vance & Debra Quinn lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Vance & Debra Quinn - June 10, 2015 at 06:14 PM

RP

“ *Roxanne Park lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Roxanne Park - June 10, 2015 at 06:06 PM

MB

“ *Marcie Barker lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Marcie Barker - June 10, 2015 at 05:06 PM

MT

“ *Mary Troy lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



mary troy - June 10, 2015 at 02:29 PM

RS

“ *Renee Swearingen lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Renee Swearingen - June 10, 2015 at 12:39 PM

JE

“ *Jesica lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Jesica - June 10, 2015 at 12:19 PM

JF

“ *John And Debbie Fields lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



john and debbie fields - June 10, 2015 at 12:11 PM

BP

“ *Bishop,Lalla,Francie Przespolewski lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Bishop,Lalla,Francie Przespolewski - June 10, 2015 at 11:25 AM

FA

“ *Frank And Cindy Adkins lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Frank and Cindy Adkins - June 10, 2015 at 12:20 AM

TI

“ Tina lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes



Tina - June 09, 2015 at 06:58 PM

TI

My family lost an Icon!!! My Aunt Fern was the most amazing women and I will truly miss her laugh and her stories!!!

Tina - June 09, 2015 at 07:02 PM

MT

She was one of the most amazing ladies I have ever met! There was nothing she could not do or at least attempt to do. To John and family may all her wonderful memories help you through this difficult time. Hal & Mary Troy

mary troy - June 10, 2015 at 02:28 PM

KN

My memories of Fern go back to Entiat School. Being the same age, we shared many fun times and I was always in awe of her working with Les in the woods. My Dad was also a logger and I often wished I could be as talented as her to have worked with him on a daily basis. Fern & John made up an incredible couple. No matter how many miles separated us, both of them always welcomed me back into the "Ardenvoir" fold when I came to visit. Fern will be sorely missed.

Kathie Neu - June 11, 2015 at 12:04 PM

LS

“ I am so Blessed to have had you as a sister as well as my best friend. We shared so many moments together, hiking, treasure hunting, shopping, crying together and laughing at each other. I am going to miss you so much. You are forever in my heart.

Linda Shank-McHargue - June 09, 2015 at 06:56 PM

LS

“ *Linda Shank-McHargue lit a candle in memory of Fern Elaine Shank-Barnes*



Linda Shank-McHargue - June 09, 2015 at 06:43 PM