



## Fern Lavonne Fascendini

February 19, 1924 - January 24, 2015

Fern LaVonne Fascendini passed peacefully on Saturday January 24, 2014. Fern was born February 19, 1924 in Meriden, Kansas as the oldest of 8 children to Ruby and Raymond Henderson. After graduating high school in 1941, Fern married Charles Gurney Jr. and celebrated the arrival of three children Connie, Charlie, and Janet. Fern and Charles divorced and she remarried Gerald (Gerry) Fascendini on December 20, 1975 with whom she spent 24 very happy years until Jerry's death in 1999. From an early age, Fern knew she wanted to be a nurse and she achieved that goal in 1963 when she graduated from Clark College in Vancouver, Washington. Fern was presented with a "Superior Performance" reward by the Veterans Administration in 1975 for the care and dignity with which she treated her patients. She retired from the Veterans Administration Hospital in Vancouver in 1985 after over 22 years. Whether on her days off from work or after she retired, Fern was always known to be ready and available to assist her friends and family with whatever was needed from childcare to cooking and baking. Fern loved to entertain her family, especially on holidays and was known to welcome anyone in need of family on those occasions. Fern also had a love for gardening, bird watching, embroidery and sewing, and baking. Left to remember Fern are three children Connie (Jack) Keyes, Charlie (Debbi)Gurney, and Janet, five grandchildren James, Heather, Stephanie, Chad, and Tanya, thirteen great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. Fern will be remembered as a bright light and true friend in many communities and families. Goodbye can be said at the

graveside at 2:00 followed by service of remembrance and celebration held in Vancouver at Evergreen Memorial Gardens on Saturday February 7, 2015 at 3:00 in the afternoon for friends and family. Fern's family would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to the staff at Milwaukie Loving Care, specifically Cindy and Kristina for their attentiveness and loving care. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Fern's name to the Vancouver Audubon Society P.O. Box 1966, Vancouver, WA 98668-1966

# Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 08:07 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss in the family. She was a great lady and will be missed. All the Henderson's are together again having a family reunion with home made ice cream. Always remember the memories that they left us.

Sandy Strong - February 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Very sorry to hear of your loss. Many blessings of courage, grace and comfort through the hard days. Hugs

Mike and Karin - January 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to send my condolences to the family and a few words of comfort from God's Word the Bible please read John 5 : 28,29 for comfort

lynn - January 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM