



## Ellen B. Lawrence

May 3, 1934 - December 12, 2015

Ellen Bernadine Lawrence, age 81, of Fenton, Michigan went to be with the Lord on Sat. Dec. 12, 2015. She passed at her daughter's house in White Lake surrounded by family members after her battle with cancer. Ellen was born on the family farm in Tyrone Township on May 3, 1934 to Roy and Blanche Gates. She was raised on the farm and began school in a one room school house, later traveling in to Fenton for school. After attending Fenton High School, she lived briefly in New York City. She soon returned to the Fenton area. In 1955 she married Derwin (Bud) William Lawrence, and they raised six kids in Fenton and then Highland. Ellen spent much of her life raising her six children and helping extended family and friends wherever she was needed. She loved her trips out west to visit grandchildren in Arizona and friends in California. Family and friends were everything to her. Ellen was preceded in death by her parents Roy (1986) and Blanche (1959) and also by her husband Derwin (Bud) Lawrence (1976). She was also preceded in death by all nine brothers and sisters; Goldy, Bud, Viola, Lawrence, Ralph, Roland, Mary, Shirley and Ray. Ellen is survived by four sons Robert (Stephanie) of Gilbert, AZ, Randy of Highland, Kim of Highland, Brad (Dawn) of Fowlerville; two daughters Colleen of Fenton and Traci (Mike) of White Lake. She also leaves behind 10 grandchildren Brandon, Jake, Amber, Mathew, Nathan, Christian, Jason, Tyler, Kayla and Paityn, along with over 50 nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Sat. Dec. 19, 2015 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly with Pastor Eugene Blankenship officiating. Burial

will be in Highland Cemetery, at corner of N. Milford Rd., Highland, MI.  
Visitation will be from 5-7 PM Friday. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Cemetery

561 N. Milford Rd  
Corner of N. Milford Rd and M-59, across  
from McDonald's  
Highland, MI 48357

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291

## Service

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ellen B. Lawrence*



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**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - December 18, 2015 at 03:19 PM



“ *I enjoyed visiting Mrs. Lawrence on many occasions she would give me recipes and talk about the past and she taught me how to crochet scarves and hats . She always made me feel welcome . I enjoyed every visit and enjoyed listening to her stories of times gone by. I will miss her . I drive a school bus for fenton and I drive by her house everyday to pick kids up and take them home and I would beep the horn as I drove by her house in the mornings and now I just drive by and remember being with her.*

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**Fayeth Sides** - December 19, 2015 at 02:55 PM



“ *Fayeth Sides lit a candle in memory of Ellen B. Lawrence*



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**Fayeth Sides** - December 19, 2015 at 02:27 PM



“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - December 18, 2015 at 01:15 PM

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“ *Stu & Pat Madden Tim & Jenny Nitz purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.*



Stu & Pat Madden Tim & Jenny Nitz - December 17, 2015 at 11:28 PM

LM

“ *Aunt Ellen will be miss Everyone in Mullins family. We were bless to spend time with her the stories she told us aboutt living on the farm. All the laughter and joking around she share with sibling, friends. How she made pies all neighbors, and family members. Love you Aunr Ellen.*



Loretta Mullins - December 17, 2015 at 11:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.*



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December 16, 2015 at 11:55 AM



“ *Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.*



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December 16, 2015 at 11:52 AM



“ *My Grandma will be missed so much! ill say something that she hopefully would smile at, she makes a mean plate for breakfast, i suppose thats where my dad got it from! :D - Love you Gma! :D*

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Chris L. - December 16, 2015 at 10:39 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.*



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December 15, 2015 at 09:45 PM

JM

“ Jeff Madden purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.



Jeff Madden - December 15, 2015 at 01:43 AM

SL

“ Stephanie Lawrence purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.



Stephanie Lawrence - December 14, 2015 at 02:20 PM



“ Health Nut Basket was purchased for the family of Ellen B. Lawrence.



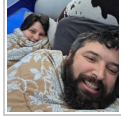
December 14, 2015 at 02:10 PM

SL

“ I'm so glad I got to meet you Ellen. You raised a wonderful family and will be missed by everyone. Rest in peace, now that you are home with your husband.  
Love, Stephanie Lawrence.



Stephanie Lawrence - December 14, 2015 at 09:23 AM



*I love you grandma. - Amber*

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**Amber Lawrence** - December 15, 2015 at 08:47 PM



*Rest in peace, Grandma.*

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**Nathan** - December 18, 2015 at 03:02 PM