



## Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot

February 6, 1934 - October 1, 2022

Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot, 88, of Laurel passed away Saturday, October 1, 2022 at her residence.

She was born February 6, 1934 in Louin, MS to Frank and Irene Waldrup.

Fern attended Louin High where she lettered in basketball and lead her team to many championships.

Fern married Eric Thurman Barefoot and they enjoyed providing a loving Christian home for their four children.

Many people will remember Fern working for the Jones County School system as a bus driver where she treated every child that entered her world as they were her own. Thurman and Fern were devout members of Trinity Baptist Church where they lead and enabled the campaign to build a new worship center which is still being used today.

Thurman died at an early age leaving Fern CEO of Barefoot and Company PL.

Fern was preceded in death by her loving husband Thurman Barefoot; her parents Frank and Irene Waldrup; and her sister Pat Crosby.

She is survived by her children and their spouses Donald Ray Barefoot (Pam) of Laurel, Eric (Terry) Terrell Barefoot of Laurel, John Kyle Barefoot (Sonya) of Laurel, Sherry Lynn Barefoot Carr (John) of Bassfield, one brother Thomas (Tim) Waldrup (Patricia) of Ellisville; grandchildren Brandi Barefoot, Britt Barefoot (Holli), Christy Barefoot, Cody Barefoot, Alisha Teasley (Michael), Drew Barefoot (Faith), Josh Nichols, Landon Nichols (Madison), Justin Jones (Anna), Laken Kimberlin (C.J.), and a host of great grandchildren who loved to visit with Granny Fern.

Pallbearers are Britt Barefoot, Landon Nichols, Josh Nichols, Drew Barefoot, Justin Jones, and C.J. Kimberlin. Honorary pallbearer is Michael Teasley.

A celebration of Fern's life will be Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at Trinity Baptist Church, Shady Grove. Visitation is from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM and with the service starting at 10:00 AM. The burial will take place at Sunset Gardens, Laurel immediately following the service. Pastor Bill Blair will officiate. Memory Chapel Funeral Home of Laurel is in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers the family ask that donations be made to Trinity Baptist Church, 35 Trinity Road, Laurel, MS 39440.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Gardens Cemetery

1206 Wansley Road  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 4. 9:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Baptist Church  
35 Trinity Rd  
Laurel, MS 39440

## Service

OCT 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Baptist Church  
35 Trinity Rd  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Tribute Wall

BB

“ As I just found out that my dearest aunt has passed. I think of her often as she was my favorite of all in the family, she always opened her door to me with arms wide. I will miss and remember the love we had.

**Bryan Barefoot** - March 12, 2023 at 01:43 PM

BJ

“ MS Fern was a sweet lady she will be missed she is reunited with Mr Thurman 🙏🙏🙏

**Brian Jordan** - October 07, 2022 at 04:19 AM

DH

“ My condolences to the Barefoot family.



**DENNIS HENLEY** - October 05, 2022 at 12:11 PM

WH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mrs. Barefoot's death. She always had a smile on her face as she picked me up for school, and there was Kyle sitting beside her in the window well. I have good memories of this lovely lady. Praying for God's peace and comfort for her family.  
Wanda Bustin Hall

**Wanda Bustin Hall** - October 04, 2022 at 09:08 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot.



October 03, 2022 at 05:05 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot.



October 03, 2022 at 03:34 PM



“ From the Storys (Linda Kay's boys) purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot.



**From the Storys (Linda Kay's boys) -** October 03, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot.



October 03, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Kathryn Fern Waldrup Barefoot.* ”



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October 03, 2022 at 01:29 PM