



## Lafern B. Waters

September 22, 1919 - May 14, 2018

Lafern B. Waters, age 98 years, a resident of Vienna since 1964 and a native of the Simpson community, passed away Monday morning, May 14, 2018, at 8:11 AM at Hillview Health Care Center in Vienna.

Lafern was born September 22, 1919 in Simpson. She was the daughter of William T. Bradley and India (Baker) Bradley.

On September 16, 1942, Lafern was united in marriage to Harold 'Red' Waters in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He preceded her in death on April 21, 1973.

Lafern is survived by a dear friend and caregiver, Edwina Arington, of Vienna.

In addition to her parents and husband, Lafern was preceded in death by a beloved cousin, Maxine Morrow, in March 2018.

Lafern had been employed from January 2, 1958 – August 30, 1966 in the office of the Johnson County Clerk and Recorder. For an 8 month period of time during 1962, Lafern served as the appointed clerk and recorder following the vacancy of that office by former clerk Clinton Jobe. Later, Lafern was employed until her retirement as a teller at the former Drovers State (now Banterra) Bank in Vienna.

She was a 50+ year member of Egyptian Chapter # 30 Order of the Eastern Star. She was a former member of Valley # 108 White Shrine of Jerusalem as well as the Vienna Women's Club. Lafern enjoyed traveling. She had been on a number of group tours through the years and even had the opportunity to visit Hawaii. Lafern and Red had enjoyed fishing. She also enjoyed spending time socializing with friends.

Lafern was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Vienna. She loved her church and missed worshipping when her declining health prevented her regular attendance.

A service honoring the life of Lafern Bradley Waters will be conducted Wednesday afternoon, May 16, 2018, at 2 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Dr. Ed Hollis will officiate. Burial will be in the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Wednesday afternoon from 1 PM – 2 PM at Bailey Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 727, Vienna, IL 62995.

To share a memory of Lafern or to leave an online message of comfort for her family, please visit [www.baileyfh.com](http://www.baileyfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Vienna Fraternal Cemetery

N. 6th Street  
Vienna, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 16.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
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## Service

**MAY 16.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lafern B. Waters*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *I worked with her years ago at Drovers State Bank. She was a wonderful person.*



**Debbie Reinhardt Stewart** - May 17, 2018 at 12:41 AM



“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



**Linda Koehler** - May 16, 2018 at 07:35 PM



“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



**John Slack** - May 16, 2018 at 10:24 AM

TT

“ Toni Taylor lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters



Toni Taylor - May 15, 2018 at 06:32 PM

BC

“ Barb Travelstead Clymore lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters



Barb Travelstead Clymore - May 15, 2018 at 02:23 PM

JS

“ Juanita Shoemaker lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters



Juanita Shoemaker - May 15, 2018 at 10:58 AM

CT

“ Carla Tapley lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters



Carla Tapley - May 15, 2018 at 10:14 AM

TM

“ *Tom And Carmen Murrie lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



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**Tom and Carmen Murrie** - May 15, 2018 at 08:57 AM

DP

“ *Dave & Pat Prewitt lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



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**Dave & Pat Prewitt** - May 15, 2018 at 08:56 AM

MR

“ *Mike And Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



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**Mike and Teresa Richerson** - May 15, 2018 at 07:01 AM

SG

“ *Lafern and her husband Red was a big part of us Travelstead kids life when we were very young ,  
They lived in Simpson just across the field and we loved spending time with them ,Lafern was a very special lady she will be turly missed .*

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**Sue Travelstead Goddard** - May 14, 2018 at 10:00 PM

EH

“ *Ellen & David Hill lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



Ellen & David Hill - May 14, 2018 at 09:59 PM

SG

“ *Sue Travelstead Goddard lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



Sue Travelstead Goddard - May 14, 2018 at 09:52 PM

ST

“ *Scott And Kay Tapley lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



Scott and Kay Tapley - May 14, 2018 at 09:28 PM

CT

“ *Carla Tapley lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters*



Carla Tapley - May 14, 2018 at 08:16 PM

KB

“ Karen & Rich Brumley lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters



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**Karen & Rich Brumley** - May 14, 2018 at 11:18 AM



“ Micki Snelling lit a candle in memory of Lafern B. Waters



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**Micki Snelling** - May 14, 2018 at 10:08 AM