



Della Grace Vellenga

April 26, 2016

Della Grace Vellenga, age 98 of St Petersburg, FL. went into the arms of Jesus, April 26, 2016 at home under her daughters loving care. Della was born in Gary, Indiana on February 11th, 1918. Proceeded in death by her husband Bill in 1979, sisters Susie Fouts, Marie Bates, brothers Burdette, Harry, and Dave Shirey.

Survived by brother Jim, daughter Judy Hambrick, son's, Philip (Marilyn) FL., Paul (Barb) FL, Peter (Emma) MI, and Perry (Sharyn) CO, 9 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Della married Bill Vellenga on October 31, 1936, lived on a peppermint and vegetable farm with Bill in Ravenna, MI, raising five children. During that time went to school to become a beautician, later training others to do the same. Convinced Bill to sell the farm and move to St Petersburg, FL in 1963, which fulfilled a dream for her of moving to paradise. Worked there as a beautician and helped Bill with his new career as a coin operated laundry owner and operator. Della loved Florida, reading, serving at her church, singing in the church choir, playing the piano, a variety of music, sewing and traveling. A private family gathering will be held at a later date. Visit www.rlwilliams.com to view guest book and leave condolences.

Tribute Wall



“ *The family of Della Grace Vellenga uploaded a photo*

August 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *Harold Woodard - Friend of Family posted a condolence Growing up with the Vellengas I remember "Bill and Della" well, both, working and playing together with them and the "kids" on the muck farm. Kay and I send our condolences to the family.*

Harold Woodard - Friend of Family - May 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bob & Hillie - friends of family posted a condolence We send our condolences of your mother's passing. It brings back some very good memories of the all the picnics on 4th of July. Also all the visits back and forth with our families. Your in our thoughts and prayer and know that Della is with her Lord. That is a great comfort. Love and Best wishes to you all. Bob & Hillie Martin*

Bob & Hillie - friends of family - May 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ruth Martin Tremper - family friend posted a condolence Della and her family were best friends of our family, the Ralph Martins, when they were still living in Michigan. I remember Della's beautiful singing voice. I remember wonderful times at their home, picnics on July 4th, and later seeing Della, Bill, and Judy in their Florida home. My deepest sympathy goes to Judy, Phil, Paul, and Perry. You may be comforted to know that she is with her Lord. Love, Ruth Martin Tremper*

Ruth Martin Tremper - family friend - May 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *Ruth Martin Tremper - family friend posted a condolence Della and her family were best friends of our family, the Ralph Martins, when they were still living in Michigan. I do remember Della's beautiful singing voice. I remember wonderful times at their home, picnics on July 4, and later seeing Della, Bill and Judy in their Florida home. My deepest sympathy goes to Judy, Phil, Peter, Paul, and Perry. You may be comforted to know that "she is with her Lord". Love, Ruth Martin Tremper*

Ruth Martin Tremper - family friend - May 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Eileen Shirey - Sister-in-law posted a condolence I remember Della being a very good cook and coming often to visit Harry & I when we were in Florida. She was a very nice woman and I think of her often.*

Eileen Shirey - Sister-in-law - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Connie Schultz - Niece posted a condolence Many years have gone by since I last saw Aunt Della here in Michigan, but I will always remember her pretty smile and graciousness. It is hard to know why people are taken from us, but I hope my cousins and their families find comfort in knowing they were a special part of a well-lived life.*

Connie Schultz - Niece - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM