



## Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen

February 5, 1923 - January 21, 2016

### Leah Sorensen-Christensen

Age 92, of Gardner, IL went home to the Lord, Thursday, January 21, 2016 at her home surrounded by her family. Born February 5, 1923 in Garfield Twp., IL to the late Frank and Ina (nee McDonald) Male. She married Russell "Spud" Sorensen in 1942 and after his passing, she married Robert "Bob" Christensen in 1991. Leah was a member of the Church of Hope in Gardner, an avid lifetime member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Gardner Seniors. Leah took pride in sewing and quilting many items for the veteran administration. She was also very active in genealogy and enjoyed gardening in her beautiful yard. She enjoyed playing cards, but most of all she loved spending time with her large family.

Surviving are six children, Randy (Mary) Sorensen of Plattville, IL, Gail (Rick) Decker of Braceville, IL, Rusty (Barb) Sorensen of South Wilmington, IL, Jeff (Nadia Brozovich) Sorensen of Manteno, IL, Darren (Dawn) Sorensen of Morris, IL, and Holly (Alan) Nielsen of Dwight, IL; four step-daughters, Kathleen, Sandy, Lynne (Deceased) and Bobbi; twenty-three grandchildren; Douglas, Kim, Jeremy, Jodi (Peter), Brooke, Melisha, Michael (Tiffany), Carrie, Steve (Kathy), Lori (Jason), Michele (Rick), Stacy (Keith), Scott (Chris), Renee, Shawna, Dane, Lindsay (Mike), Caitlin (Bryan), Brittany, Ashley, Zack, Leanne, and Mark; numerous great-grandchildren; one great-great grandson,

Luke; one sister, Ardella (Jim) Harris of Gravois Mills, MO; daughter-in-law, Sheila Sorensen and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husbands; children, Duane Sorensen, Charlene Sorensen, Lonnie Sorensen, Janice Sorensen-Cushing, and Lawrence Sorensen; one granddaughter, Katherine Nielsen; siblings, Frances Muzzarelli, Bob, Jack, Chuck, Bud, and Dickie Male.

Funeral services will be at the Church of Hope in Gardner, Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. with visitation two hours preceding services. Rev. Jan Chandler will officiate.

Interment Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Braceville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name to the Church of Hope and the Joliet Area Community Hospice would be appreciated.

R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd.  
401 E. Main St., Braidwood, IL 60408  
815-458-2336

# Cemetery Details

## Braceville-Gardner Cemetery

7295 W. Braceville Road  
Braceville, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Church of Hope  
202 North Monroe Street  
Gardner, IL 60424

## Service

JAN **26**. 12:00 PM - 12:40 PM (CT)

Church of Hope  
202 North Monroe Street  
Gardner, IL 60424

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. God be with you all.*

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**Joe & Barb Bexson** - January 25, 2016 at 09:47 PM

SM

“ *Great Aunt Leah rest in peace you will be missed tell grandma Muzzarelli we miss her with all of your love. Scott and Janice Muzzarelli*

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**Scott Muzzarelli** - January 25, 2016 at 09:27 PM

SW

“ *Shane Wepprecht lit a candle in memory of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen*



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**shane wepprecht** - January 24, 2016 at 08:54 PM

SW

“ *So sorry to hear about the loss of your mother Leah. Also so sorry to hear about the loss of Lonnie. Our prayers are with the whole Sorensen family  
With our deepest sympathy  
Jeff Katy Shane and Matthew Wepprecht*

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**shane wepprecht** - January 24, 2016 at 08:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen.*



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January 24, 2016 at 02:16 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, she was truly a wonderful person and will be missed by all. Rest in peace Leah we all know that you are in a much better place watching over all of us.*

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**Sabrina and Ken Decker** - January 24, 2016 at 10:59 AM



“ *We are so very saddened to learn of Leah's passing. Will always remember her smile and being such a kind person. She was such a good friend to my mom. Wish we could be there to give all her children our condolences. We will be keeping them in our thoughts and prayers. With deepest sympathy . Gary and Diane(Male) Layton. Oklahoma.*

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**Diane (Male) Layton** - January 24, 2016 at 07:12 AM



“ *Rest in Peace Grandma Leah!! You and Lonnie make that Garden in Heaven Beautiful for us !!*



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**Steve & Kathy Wotton & the Boys** - January 24, 2016 at 12:38 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen.*



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January 23, 2016 at 11:27 PM



“ *We are so very sorry to learn of Leah Passing away. Such a sweet lady and will always remember her sweet smile and being such a good friend to my Mother . We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the entire family.  
Wish I could be there to give the family members a loving hug. We will be keeping you and your families in our thoughts and prayers .  
Love, Gary and Diane (Male) Layton  
Oklahoma.*

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**Diane (Male) Layton** - January 23, 2016 at 06:55 PM



“ *Keith and Dorlene Appleton*



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**Dorlene and Keith Appleton** - January 23, 2016 at 01:31 PM

DH

“ So sorry for your losses. The hill family



Deb & John hill - January 22, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen.



January 22, 2016 at 06:25 PM

GH

“ Greg & Lori Hensley lit a candle in memory of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen



Greg & Lori Hensley - January 22, 2016 at 05:19 PM

GR

*Will miss you so very much. I loved being with you...learning from you...may you be in peace. Love always...Lori*

Greg - January 22, 2016 at 05:23 PM

GR

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Greg - January 22, 2016 at 05:23 PM

GH

“ Greg & Lori Hensley lit a candle in memory of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen



Greg & Lori Hensley - January 22, 2016 at 05:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen.



January 22, 2016 at 03:55 PM

CP

“ Cheryl Paquette lit a candle in memory of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen



cheryl paquette - January 22, 2016 at 03:15 PM

CP

“ Beautiful Women, Great Mom, Prayers To All Of Her Family. God Bless

cheryl paquette - January 22, 2016 at 03:15 PM

MF

“ *Melinda Favre lit a candle in memory of Leah Adele Sorensen-Christensen*



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**melinda favre** - January 22, 2016 at 02:43 PM