



Betty Gaither

February 27, 1917 - February 12, 2008

Betty Hillin Gaither, who was loved by many, left this world Feb. 12, 2008 just 2 weeks before her 91st birthday. Betty was born to Verna and P.H. Hillin on Feb. 27, 1917 in Pryor, Oklahoma where she grew up with 3 siblings, Alice, Joe, and Martha. She attended schools in Pryor until 16 when she took the train by herself to San Francisco to help her half brother and wife with their new baby. She attended high school in S.F., too. Upon her return to Pryor, she met, fell in love, and married Carl Gaither. They had 2 daughters, 1 granddaughter, 1 great grandson, and 2 grandsons. They built a home together in Pryor on 80 acres raising cattle and eventually race horses. After Carl's death and 50 years in their home, she sold the property and moved to Fort Collins where her youngest daughter lived. She lived at Parkwood Estates for 6 years before moving to New Mercer Commons for 2 years. Betty was a knowledgeable collector of fine antiques and led most of her family into antiquing. Her motto about antiques was "If you like it, buy it, or it will be gone". She loved all her family, animals, music, and dancing and she was very generous & loads of fun! While living in Parkwood, she met her special friend, Larry Glitz who was her dancing partner of 8 years. She is survived by her daughter, Betsy Gaither, granddaughter, Kim Sherrod and husband, Steve, great grandson, Taylor Sherrod, 2nd daughter, Carla Jeffrey, and husband, Lee, and grandsons, Craig and Scott Jeffrey and other loving relatives. There will be a private celebration of her life later. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Larimer Hospice in care of Goes Funeral Care, 3665 Canal Drive, Fort Collins, CO 80524.

Comments



“ Dear Carla and Lee:

We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. You have our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Betty will be greatly missed, but long remembered as the high spirited and fun loving woman that she was. What a wonderful lady she was as we watched her friendship bloom with my mom. We have such great memories of her childhood stories from Oklahoma, especially the ones about swimming and poached eggs. Plus seeing them giggling like school girls over their dancing escapades and "old flame" days was indeed a treasure to embrace. We have nothing but praise for the fun and laughter she brought to this world and will remember her always.

With heartfelt sympathy,

Marjorie Franklin + Diane and Dave Dust

Diane and Dave Dust - February 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM