

Bettie Omega Waldron

January 19, 1931 - May 5, 2022

Bettie Omega Waldron (also fondly known as “Grandma Bettie” and “Bettie Boop”), age 91, of Fort Collins, Colorado, graduated to Heaven on May 4, 2022.

Bettie was born in Somerville, Alabama, on January 19, 1931, to parents Harry Floyd and Eula Mae Martin, the fifth of eight children. Bettie’s family moved north to Toppenish, Washington, when she was a teenager, where she became a key player on her high school state champion basketball team.

Bettie graduated from high school in spring 1949. Shortly after graduation on June 4, 1949, Bettie married Donald Waldron. The young couple managed a small chicken farm in Buena, Washington, for several years, before Don became employed with the Social Security Administration. In the years that followed, Don’s job led them from their little farm in Washington to Great Falls, Montana; Casper, Wyoming; Lakewood, Colorado; and Sterling, Colorado. Bettie was the homemaker for their five children, although her health was gravely impacted by a car accident in the mid-’60s that required multiple surgeries over the next several years.

In 1976, Bettie and Don divorced. A few years later, Bettie returned to school to earn her Associate Degree at Northeastern Junior College in Sterling and afterward began working in a local jewelry store. When her last child had

graduated from high school, Bettie moved to Fort Collins, Colorado, in 1987. There she found another position at a jewelry store and later became a host home provider for Mosaic. During this season, she also became involved with the Does (Lady Elks) and was appointed as president of her Does chapter in 1990.

Bettie's creative homemaking skills extended throughout her life, even after her move into a care facility in recent years. Her home was always an inviting, cozy nest, well-decorated for holidays, and filled with plants that thrived because of her green thumb. She loved kids and pets the best and especially doted on her grandchildren.

Faith was an important part of Bettie's life. She grew up in the Church of God, in which her father was a pastor, and she raised her children in the Christian faith. Most recently, she attended Timberline Church in Fort Collins. She also maintained a strong connection to Living Rivers Millennial Church and Renner Ministries in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where she frequently visited her daughter Cindy.

Friends and family will miss Bettie's spunky personality. She loved to tease and enjoyed playful humor with everyone from the grandkids to her caregivers.

Bettie is survived by her children: Lani (Clark) Mozer; Debbie (Kerry Davis) Lapp; Cindy Hansen; Craig (Shelly) Waldron; and Kim DeVilbiss; grandchildren: Lindsey, Zack (Candice), Ben (Elizabeth), Jessica, Nikki, Dougal (Izabela), Eric (Linda), Evan (Sara), Selah (Marcus), Bria (Cole), Carrie, Abby, Maya, and Sam; great-grandchildren: Ellie, Leah, Zoe, Paige, Bailey, Jack, Amari, Sadie, Kayson, Micah, and Madelyn; her siblings: Peggy; Donnie (Ginny); and sister-in-law Sharon; and her many nieces and nephews. Bettie was preceded in death by her siblings: Faye (Deward); Harry Jr.

(Thelma); Lela Mae; Inez (Cliff), and Charles; and her 2 long-time companions: Ron and Lester.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2022, in the East Auditorium of Timberline Church in Fort Collins, followed by a reception. Interment will take place afterward at Roselawn Cemetery in Fort Collins.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Bettie's honor to Foothills Gateway Foundation at:

<https://www.foothillsgateway.org/how-to-help/donate/>

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Cemetery

2718 East Mulberry Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524
<http://www.fcgov.com/parks/roselawn.php>

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 17. 11:00 AM (MT)

Timberline Church - Fort Collins Main Campus
2908 S Timberline Road
Fort Collins, CO 80525

Tribute Wall



“ Goes Funeral Care & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Bettie Omega Waldron



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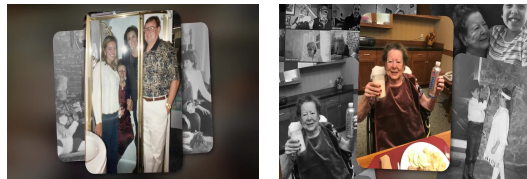


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October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



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“ I'm so sorry to hear about Bettie. I met her when I was working in Greeley and then I also visited her when she moved back to Fort Collins. I always looked forward to seeing her and her sweet dog and her Bettie Boop collection (what a hoot!). She had quite the green thumb too. She enjoyed talking about her family, telling stories and sharing her views on life. She was such a tenacious lady who overcame many adversities in her life and I feel privileged to have known her. A bright light has left us and is now shining down on us from above.

Connie Hermann- May 20

Connie Hermann - May 20, 2022 at 10:16 AM

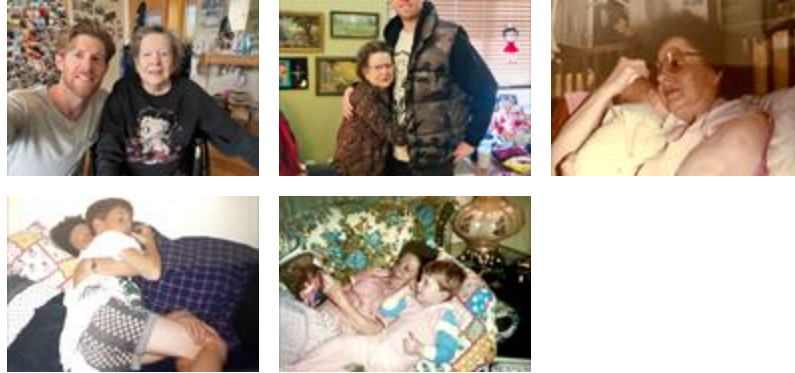
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“ When I think of Bettie, I smile. She always talked about how dynamite comes in small packages. Anyone who knew Bettie, knew that she was dynamite. We became fast friends due to our love of Cindy. We laughed, cried, and most importantly prayed together. We talked about Heaven and what that would be like, how there will be no more pain and now she walks the Streets of Gold. She was an incredible mother to my dear friend Cindy, and she was a feisty grandmother to Cindy's two boys Eric and Dougal. She may have been small in stature, but she was a giant in the kingdom of God.

Sheryl Mosteller - May 16, 2022 at 07:54 PM



“ Celebrating one of Mom’s greatest strengths... She was Grandma Bettie to my boys and loved them well to the end.

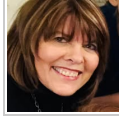


Cindy Hansen - May 10, 2022 at 06:48 PM

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“ It was such a momentous year when Betty and Don moved to Casper. Daughter Debby became my best friend. Betty though petite in stature was big in personality. I can't remember why Debby and I started calling her Ruby but Betty took it in stride along with all our other antics. I loved seeing Betty (Ruby/Rube) for our short visits as I passed through Ft. Collins on my way to Wyoming. She was always happy to see me, sing with me and tell me stories. I know she has gone to heaven as she was always an Angel to me. May the loving spirit of God wrap his arms around your family and give you comfort knowing Betty is at peace.
With love and fond memories,
Prudy

Prudence Kedro - May 09, 2022 at 02:35 PM



I remember you and Debbie singing "Oh, Ruby" to Mom and making her and the rest of us laugh back when I was a junior-higher and you became Deb's best friend in high school, Prudy. :-) You were a tonic of love and laughter to Mom every time you visited her over the years. Thankful for the blessing of longevity of friendship and love, and you're a classic case. Thankful for you...

Cindy Hansen - May 10, 2022 at 06:37 PM



I adored your mom. I would visit with her every day when I was with Activities in her care facility. We discussed Faith often. She attended the devotional I lead, always bringing her beloved Bible, It was really nice to have her participation. I treasure getting to help her with her FaceTime chats with Cindy. Betty was very proud of all her children and grandchildren. She was a lovely lady and is certainly dancing with Lester in Heaven...the thought of that brings me a smile. God's blessing to you all as you celebrate your mom's wonderful life!

Juliet Meyer - May 11, 2022 at 08:23 PM