



Beatrice Ellis

February 28, 1928 - February 3, 2017

Beatrice (Bea) Ellis, 88 passed away on Thursday February 2, 2017 at Windsor Place Nursing Home in Coffeyville, Kansas. She was born on February 28, 1928 in Stockton, Missouri to Robert and Lula (King) Phillips. She graduated from high school in San Diego, California.

Bea married Robert Farmer on February 9, 1947 in San Diego, California. They were married for 7 years then later divorced. She later met and married Evert (Red) Ellis in Reno, Nevada on March 28, 1958. They were married 26 years prior to his passing in 1984.

Bea was a member of Lions Club International where she served in many offices including club president. She enjoyed jig saw puzzles, crocheting and working in her yard. She also served as a Democratic Representative for the state of Missouri.

In 1972 Red & Bea bought and ran the Apco Station in Dunnegan, Mo. Even though they closed each evening at 6pm all you had to do was knock and they would open back up. During the winter months as Bea was a "late owl" the State Highway workers always knew there was coffee on and they were welcome to stop in while working long nights during the winter. They sold the station in 1983. She later retired from the housekeeping department of South West Baptist University in 1998 and then from Wal-Mart as a door greeter in 2009.

Bea was preceded in death by her parents, Robert & Lula. a daughter Dee Ann Farmer and her husband Red.

Bea is survived by her son's Robert Farmer & wife Caterina of Sterling MA., Wally Ellis of Fair Play Mo., and daughter's Delores Doughty of DeLeon, TX, Lori Ellis of New Tazewell, TN and Susan & husband Alan Lotz of Edna, KS. Ten grandchildren Earl, George, Dee Ann, Daniel, Tommy, Cynthia, Robert, Ginger, Lloyd & Triston plus many great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Emery & wife Shirley Phillips of Pinole, Ca.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Butler Funeral Home, E. Buffalo St, Humansville, Mo at 1pm on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 where family will be greeting friends and relatives. As per her wishes cremation will take place after the memorial service and burial will take place at a later date at Alder Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beatrice Ellis*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Beatrice Ellis*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM

“ Hi, Suzy, Lori, Wally, and Mike February 5, 2017

About Emery's sister Beatrice. Even when the sun is about to set on a loved one. It is still a very sad day. Thanks to you Suzy for having your mom near and to be there for her. And thanks to the 3 of you, Suzy, Lori, and Wally for handling things keeping us in the loop during this difficult time. I think at one time Em and Bea's dad Bob Phillips worked at a Beatrice Creamery as a “buttermaker” I think this is correct and maybe why Bea was named Beatrice. And Lori when I first spoke to you on the phone my first thought was “Yes we will come for the service” And then reality set in. In view of our ages both of us 83 and our level of stamina we have decided not to make the trip. Money in no way figured in our decision. We will certainly miss being there and saying our final “good by” to Bea. And miss seeing you all is tough to miss. Being so far away we do treasure the times spent together.

Memories

-Bea and little daughter DeAnn making the trip to Guam when husband Robert Farmer stationed there in the military.

Bea & Mike and little Wally visiting us when we lived in Richmond, California.

-Visiting Bea and Red when they lived in Mariposa when our sons Andy about 3 & Lil Emer age 1.

-Visiting Bea and Red on the farm in Stockton area and we look back and wonder how they ever housed all 7 of us—Brother Emery, sister-in-law Shirley and sons Andy, Lil Emer, Doug, Donnie and baby Tommy. The boys loved the farm, the baby calf “Shandy” they fed, the horse that Red put about 5 of the kids on and the pony he bought at auction while we were there Fun times seeing the cousins spend time together. Swimming in the river and Andy near a water moccasin, which scared him. I think Mike was baleing hay that summer.

-Mike visiting us when in California on more than one occasion. And later when wed to Catarina- a visit of Mike and Catarina's mom Lisle.

-Visiting Bea and Wally. Em was in a senior softball tournament at Overland Park, Kansas and we came to visit, was when Bea worked

in housekeeping at a SW Baptist University. Last time we saw Bea. Was a good visit, remember Bea driving a truck at that time. -Visiting twins Aunt Zelma King and Aunt Zelda (King) Stauffer (sisters to Lula) in town in Stockton. They had taken in-- Bea and Emery's mom Lula who moved back to Missouri after husband Robert Phillips died. The cousins spending time together, our boys still remember.

It is fitting that Bob, Lula, son lil Robert Clare, and Bea are all buried at Alder Cemetery. And fitting that Bea and Red can be buried side by side-- as Red's mom Mrs. Olinghouse and husband donated land to enlarge Alder Cemetery. Note: Bea's daughter DeAnn Farmer who is buried at Oroville, California, Em and I to a senior softball tournament there. We phoned ahead and they told us DeAnn's grave site. There is no marker but they put a red flag for us to find the grave and the names on either side. So we did visit her site. I have a favor to ask, when you visit the grave site would you place two pebbles, one for me and one for Emery on the grave site. This is a Jewish custom and custom of others who indicate they visited the grave. This will have to do for us, since we'll not do it ourselves. Shirley & Emery Phillips (510)724-3030 {cell (510) 508-1917 }e-mail shirleyaphillips@yahoo.com

Mrs. Emery Phillips - February 05, 2017 at 05:40 PM

DB

“ Working with bea at walmart and hearing all the wonderful story.im going to miss you bea.

Dottie braschler - February 05, 2017 at 07:24 AM

GB

“ Spending time in Dunnegan with her and gpa...

Ginger Metzger Brown - February 04, 2017 at 04:44 PM

 Robert
Farmer

“ *I remember riding in the front seat of a Chevy with the back seat strapped to the top and a live pony riding where the back seat used to be.*

The pony was pissed.

Robert Farmer - February 04, 2017 at 02:29 PM

JB

“ *Bea was a wonderful friend with whom I shared many delightful hours. My thoughts and prayers are with the family*

Jackie Baker - February 03, 2017 at 03:19 PM