



Evelyn Roberta Starnes

March 2, 1935 - December 23, 2016

Evelyn Roberta Whorton Starnes, Age 81, died peacefully on December 23, 2016 in the care of Circle of Life at the Earlene Howard Hospice Home in Springdale, Arkansas. Roberta or "Bertie" as she was known by family and friends was born on March 2, 1935 at Maysville, Arkansas to Charles Whorton Sr. and Vera Cluck Whorton. She was preceded in death by her parents, her beloved husband of fifty years, James W. "Jiggs" Starnes, brothers, Herman Dee Whorton and Kenneth Whorton and sister-in-law, Edith Whorton. She is survived by her son, Curtis R. Starnes and wife, Debbie of Lowell, Arkansas, her beloved grandson, Benjamin C. Starnes of Fayetteville, Arkansas, a brother, Charles Whorton, Jr, and sister-in-law, Wilma Whorton, both of Huntsville, Arkansas. She took a special pride in her family and leaves numerous cousins, nephews, nieces and their families which all held a special place in her heart. During her illness, her goal was to get back to the Madison County Senior Center where she had many dear friends and enjoyed visiting and playing cards. Her competitive spirit carried her through her life. She was an avid sports fan and loved the Huntsville Eagles and Arkansas Razorbacks. She was a member of the 1950 Huntsville High School Women's Basketball team that placed first in the state tournament. She was also very active in the Madison County Women Democrats. Roberta also was proud of her professional accomplishments. She left for Tulsa after graduation and worked her way up the ladder in the corporate world. She was very proud of being named the first female manager for North American

Aviation, supervising a staff of ninety. She and her husband then made the decision to move back home to Madison County. They settled in Huntsville for their remaining years and worked together farming, raising cattle and poultry. Visitation will be at Brashears Funeral Home in Huntsville on Tuesday, December 27 at 10:00 A. M. with services to follow at 11:00 A. M. with Pastor Brandon Brasel of Calvary Baptist Church officiating. Interment will be in the Buckeye Cemetery under the direction of Brashears Funeral Home www.brashearsfuneralhome.net of Huntsville, Arkansas. Pallbearers will be: Jim Whorton, Greg Whorton, Jerry Whorton, Randall Whorton, Tom Whorton, Rick Whorton and Chuck Whorton. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Madison County Senior Center, Post Office Box 598, Huntsville, Arkansas 72740.

Tribute Wall

ND

“ *My sympathy and prayers for the family.*

Natalie Gaskill Davis - December 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *I'm sorry to hear of the passing of your mother.*

Joshua Warren - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *Praying for you and your family. You are in my thoughts.*

Emily Murillo - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Sorry for your loss*

David and Judy Canion - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Always enjoyed visiting with Roberta. She loved her family and always talked about her grandson. I visited with her a few weeks ago when I ran into her at the Senior Center. She was playing cards and I could tell she loved playing and even tried to get me to join in. Wish I would have had the time. My deepest sympathy to you and your family, Curt.*

KAREN (HERNDON) SPURLOCK - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ *Thinking of you. God loves you and is there to carry you when you need him. Lean on him he will get you through*

Vanessa Hernandez - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ You all are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Margaret (Mrs. Austin) Smith - December 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ We are so sorry to hear of Roberta's passing. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. The Dwain McLoud family.

The Dwain McLoud Family - December 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ So sad for your loss - Roberta was one of my favorites - always happy to see and visit with people - special lady with beautiful hair and voice. May God comfort you at this time.

Belinda Whorton Davis - December 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Roberta's passing. I adored her. Thoughts and prayers are with all the family.

Susan Collins - December 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Curt So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Will keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time

Bill Mason - December 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Rest in peace Roberta .It was my honor to care for you at SHILOH.Sympathy to the family

Shirley Jones - December 25, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Curtis, I'm so sorry to hear about your mother. I've enjoyed a lot of years visiting with her at the Senior Center and the beauty shop with my mom. She was a treasure. Prayers for you and your family.
Janet

Janet Armes Householder - December 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Curt, Debbie, and Ben my heart aches for you and the others of us that loved Roberta. I have a life time of loving memories as you know . Love to my Whorton/ Starnes family. Berta

Laberta Keck Lashley - December 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NE

“ Roberta was so special to me - we had lots of wonderful memories.
So sorry

Nettie Everett - December 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JH

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SW

“ Roberta always made me smile every time I seen her. She will be truly missed. Prayers for especially Curtis and his family . Being an only child is hard when you have lost your parents

Sandra Whiteley - December 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM