



Eula D.

September 24, 1929 - August 13, 2009

Eula "Dean" Lee, 79, of Donaldson, Arkansas passed away Thursday, August 13, 2009 in a local Malvern hospital.

She was born September 24, 1929 in Cherry Hill, Arkansas to Elihu Ford and Alta Martin Ford. She attended the Sardis Primitive Church of Donaldson, Arkansas. This wonderful lady was a shining example to us all. We will cherish and honor all the times we were privileged to spend with her. She was a lady of unquestionable character and an inspiration to all who knew her. She will be lovingly remembered by her family, friends and neighbors. Eula was valiant both in her living and dying. She lived a life of quiet courage with an uncommon ability to fully experience the joys of life while enduring its unexpected trials without complaint. Her thoughts were always of others, never of herself. Her home was a warm, inviting reflection of her devotion to family. Her remarkable bravery both in her life and death stands as a testament to the richness of her spirit and character. She was an inspiration. She will be missed

She is survived by:

Her husband of 61 years:

Reuben Lee of Donaldson, Arkansas

1 Son:

Ronnie Lee and his wife Laurie of Riverside, California

2 Daughters:

Brenda Briggs and her husband Glen of Bismarck, Arkansas

Pam Sandage and her husband Richard of Donaldson, Arkansas

1 Brother:

Elihu Ford and his wife Mary of Crescent City, California

1 Sister:

Maxine Pietz of Crescent, California

1 Sister-in-law:

Mickey Ford of Buena Park, California

7 Grandchildren:

Tracy Campbell and her husband John, Chris Briggs, Michael Lee, Chad Lee, Wendy Lee, Cynthia Morrison, Austin Sandage and his wife Crystal

13 Great-grandchildren

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother-Norman Ford, a sister-Alma Welch, Grandaughter-Jenna Lee, Great-grandchildren-Payton Campbell, Payge Campbell, Jaydon Campbell.

Graveside services are scheduled for 4:00 p.m. Sunday, August 16, 2009 in Ouachita Cemetery with Elder Jesse Stripland officiating.

Visitation will be held Sunday, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Pallbearers will be Austin Sandage, Chris Briggs, Tim Rucker, Aaron Campbell, John Campbell and Hunter Briggs.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Dr. Burton and his staff, Hot Spring County Hospital Step-down Unit, Hot Spring County Home Health and Kristen Schultz of UAMS. Thank you for the tender loving care, all your kindness and for making her final journey here a pleasant one. We are eternally grateful.

Arrangements are under the direction of Atkinson Funeral Home, Malvern, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Warmest Wishes. We are with you in Spirit.*

Mary Ford - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

CF

“ *WITH ALL MY LOVE, TO A TERRIFIC AUNTIE! MY PRAYERS
ARE WITH YOU ALWAYS.*

Cynthia Ford - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

JB

“ My Dear Aunt Dean,

The thing foremost in my mind when I think of you is the unabashed LOVE & adoration you had for your GRANDchildren. You boasted pride by the sparkle in your eye when you talked about them & I just KNEW those babies were your pride & joy in life. You were such a loving & dedicated wife, mother & GRANDmother (I admired that in you so much & that love/devotion has been reflected onto me as a lesson, which I utilize, in my adult life - Thank you for that).

Then... there was your cooking. Yes, I will always remember your down home cooking. I only wish you would have written your recipes down in a family cookbook. I will never forget making the Coconut Pecan Cake with you. You were very ill but you had all the ingredients ready & talked me through it. That was my last visit with you when Jeff & I brought your sister, my mom, Maxine for a visit. For her 80th birthday I flew her from California, with me & Jeff, to visit you. She said it was the BEST birthday gift she ever received. We sure had a wonderful visit too. In closing, everytime I make the Coconut Pecan Cake I think of you & always will. And... let me tell you they LOVE that cake. Thanks for sharing a Bombshell recipe with me. I will miss you so very much.

Your Loving Niece, Debbie Briddle

JEFF & DEBBIE BRIDDLE - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

RC

“ Our hearts go out to the family.

Ricky and Dorrie Cooper - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

BM

“ We are keeping you and your family in our prayers. May the peace of our savior comfort you until you meet your grandmother in heaven. We love each of you.

Billy,Tonia,Titus & Emily McBay - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

MP

“ This is Debbie but my Mom asked me to sign the guest book for her since she doesn't do computers. She said to say that she regrets not being able to be there for her sister. If she was in better health she would be there. She loves you all and is thinking of you. Debbie again, to tell you that Mom will be here Saturday (8/22) and we will say a special prayer together.

Maxine Pietz - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

NL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Ms. Eula was a very special lady to me. Heavens a better place with her there. She always had a smile and a laugh when I would visit with her and Mr. Lee.
Nancy Nolen, LPN Home Health

Nancy Nolen, LPN - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM

LL

“ *My Dear Mother-Inlaw,
I'm proud to say you were my mother-Inlaw. Thank you for all the
memories we shared, when we were able to visit. I'm sorry we lived
so far but you were always close in my heart. I will always
remember you with a smile. I keep this poem with my mothers
picture and I will keep it with yours.*

MOM

*May he who hears each little prayer keep you safely in his care and
make the world around you bright as you walk safely in his light.
I love you and I will miss you,
Laurie*

Laurie Lee - March 22, 2013 at 08:39 AM