



Betty Jo Moorhead

December 19, 1932 - May 15, 2017

Betty Jo Moorhead, 84, of Umatilla, FL passed away on Monday, May 15, 2017. She was born in Cleveland, TN and moved to Umatilla from Shelby, NC.

Betty Jo and her mother ran the Umatilla Hotel and Dining Room. She then became the secretary at Beyers Funeral Home in Umatilla and remained there until she bought Mattison's Engraving and ran it until she sold it to M&H Awards of Eustis, FL. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Umatilla. Betty Jo was also very active with the Umatilla Chamber of Commerce, having been a past president, the Umatilla Historical Museum, and the Carr Cabin Restoration.

She is survived by her loving husband: Robert "Bob" Moorhead, Umatilla, FL; son: Robert Moorhead, Roswell, GA, and sister: Jane Hays, Tallahassee, FL.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, May 19, 2017 at the First Baptist Church of Umatilla with Reverend Brooks Braswell officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. through 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at the Beyers Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at the Umatilla Cemetery Annex. In lieu of flowers contributions may be directed to The Umatilla Historical Society.

Tribute Wall

CA

“ Dear Mr. Bob and family,
I am saddened as I just learned of Miss Betty Jo's passing. You were two of my most favorites at Colonial Bank/BB&T over the years. She and I had several conversations about antiques, and I would think of her whenever I saw an old shaving stand.
With fond memories,
Caryl

Caryl A.D.Adams - May 21, 2017 at 01:35 PM

HN

“ Dear Mr. Bob:
We were so saddened to hear about Betty Jo passing. She was such a strong lady and formidable presence in Umatilla. My earliest memory of her is from the Hotel dining room, Mom would go in at lunchtime to help out and Betty Jo was ever present, crisp and neat as a pin. If I happened to be sick from school, I got to go in and sit in the easy chair in the corner to watch tv. Mrs. Ramsey and Betty Jo put me to work serving at Umatilla Chamber of Commerce banquets when I was just a little girl. I got to push the metal cart and serve slices of pie. Later in life, she taught me how to make salad for a chamber event for a huge crowd with about three tomatoes. She was such a talented organizer and chamber volunteer. She was quiet a lady and will be missed...

Holly Palmer Newby - May 19, 2017 at 05:20 PM

TH

“ I am so saddened to hear of Betty Jo's passing. I am sorry for your loss, Bob and Robert. She was a wonderful southern lady and was loved and respected by so many. She will be missed.

Terri & David Hanna - May 19, 2017 at 01:08 PM

MB

“ *My condolences to Betty's husband Bob, I lived down the street from you in Silver Beach some years ago and always enjoyed visiting with both of you when I would walk in the evening. Seems like it was just yesterday. Betty will be missed by many in Umatilla.*

Margaret Randall Bird - May 18, 2017 at 08:40 PM

SC

“ *You helped raise me when my brothers and sisters stayed down every summer with my mom until I was an adolescent. You gave me funny nicknames, and made sure I knew how to be a gentleman, whether I acted on it or not. You will be missed, but I know you are up there with mom now. Rest in peace.*

Steve Cates - May 17, 2017 at 08:41 AM

BM

“ Robert, Bob,

We will miss Betty Jo's smile and warm personality when we visit Umatilla. She was wonderful. As your mother's family and friends celebrate her life amid grieving, Florence and I like to remember the words of this poem written in 1932 by Mary Elizabeth Frye, reminding us that our loved ones are now with Him...

*Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow; I am the diamond glints on the snow.*

*I am the sunlight that ripens grain; I am the gentle autumn's rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush, I am the swift uplifting rush,
Of quiet birds in circled flight. I am the soft star that shines at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry. I am not there. I did not die.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and her family and friends.

*Bob & Florence Martin
Destin, FL*

May 17, 2017

Bob & Florence Martin - May 17, 2017 at 07:10 AM