



Beatrice "Bea" Goodin

March 10, 1927 - July 18, 2024

Beatrice "Bea" Goodin (Henry), aged 97, passed away on July 18, 2024, in Louisiana, Missouri. Born on March 10, 1927, in New Hartford, Missouri, she was the daughter of Emery and Ermal (Reese) Henry. She lived most of her life in Louisiana, Missouri and has owned the same home since 1953, living there until 2020 when she moved to Lynn's Heritage House.

Bea attended elementary/middle schools in New Hartford, Louisiana, and Vandalia, Missouri before graduating from high school in Louisiana, Missouri-class of 1946.

She pursued higher education immediately after high school. She received a Secretarial diploma at Sanford Business College in St. Louis, MO then earned a Bachelor of Science in Early Education at Culver-Stockton, MO, (Summa Cum Laude) in 1971, followed by a Master of Arts in Education Northeast Missouri State in Kirksville (4.0 gpa)

Bea's life was marked by her dedication to education and her profound impact on her students and colleagues. She leaves behind a legacy of love and lifelong learning, remembered fondly by those who knew her both personally and professionally.

Bea was preceded in death by her father Emery Henry, mother Ermal Henry, son William Goodin II, sister Wanda LaRue, and brother-in-law William LaRue. She is survived by her brother Marvin 'Bud' (LouElla) Henry; daughter-in-law Kathy Goodin; grandchildren Billy (Katie) Goodin and Kristy Goodin; great-granddaughters Taylor Goodin and Gracie Chambers; great-great-grandson

Hunter Stanford (her pride and joy), nephews Daniel (Kathy) and Steven (Cheryl) LaRue, niece Linda (Ted) Wlazlowski and many more extended family members.

Bea was nominated for the Graduate Fellowship Award. She joined Phi Delta Kappa & was treasurer of MO State Reading Council. She was a past board member of the Missouri Association of Education Secretaries & past president of the District Association of Educational Secretaries.

She was a member of Pike County Democratic Women's Club, Raintree Arts Council, L-MSTA and Missouri State Reading Teachers Association (Past president L-MST), Phi Cappa Delta, Chairman of the Department of Reading for the Northeast District (1980 Mark Twain Reading Council) Past president and charter member of the Mark Twain reading council, Missouri State Council, International Reading Association (past state treasurer), and Louisiana Missouri City Council Person, Ward III.

A few of her accomplishments are Louisiana Business and Professional Women's Club – past president (Named a Woman of the Year in 1959), City of Louisiana Library Board (vice president), Louisiana Housing Association secretary, Member of the Centenary Methodist Church (Missions chair), and Member of Anchor Circle (vice president) and United Methodist women.

A service to celebrate Bea's life will be held at the Centenary United Methodist Church, located at 691 S. Carolina St, Louisiana, MO 63353. Visitation will be held from 12:00 P.M. until time of service at 1:30 P.M. at the church.

Contributions in Bea's memory may be made to "Friends of the Library", an organization she passionately supported, reflecting her commitment to education and community enrichment.

Bea's wisdom, dedication and love will be dearly missed by her family, friends, and all who were touched by her generous spirit. She shared her value of education and love of family and community with everyone.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG **10**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Centenary United Methodist Church
691 S Carolina St
Louisiana, MO 63353
(573) 754-4412

Celebration of Life

AUG **10**. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DD

“ My deepest Condolences to Bea Goodins Family. She loved her Red Hat Group and never missed until she no longer could be with us. She was a wonderful lady and our daughter dearly loved her as her math teacher. Rest In Peace sweet lady. You are missed already.



Dianne Collins and Stacey Collins Dixson - August 10, 2024 at 12:53 AM

PF

“ Our first meeting of Bea, "Miss Goodin" is when our son, John had the pleasure of having her as his 5th Grade teacher. What a "JOY" she was . She made every student feel special and was eager to help them achieve success at school. Our friendship grew through the years & we always enjoyed our time together. Her smile, pleasant caring personality, humor, sharing wisdom on various topics, All made her such a wonderful friend and caretaker of anyone who needed her assistance. I would tease her by calling her "Honey Bea". She lived her long life to the fullest and what a life it was. With deepest sympathy, love and prayers to all of her family and friends who were blessed by her presence and many kindnesses.(Most especially , ALL the students she taught!) Paulette, Tom, John, Joy Powelson and family

Paulette n Tom Powelson & Family - August 07, 2024 at 07:44 PM

LN

“ Linda Painter Niemeyer lit a candle in memory of Beatrice "Bea" Goodin



Linda Painter Niemeyer - August 06, 2024 at 03:41 PM

ND

“ *Nicole Smith Dyke lit a candle in memory of Beatrice "Bea" Goodin*



Nicole Smith Dyke - August 06, 2024 at 01:34 PM

KS

“ *Forever one of the best educators and just a very special lady who was loved by all! One of my fav teachers! Much love to the Goodin Family* ❤️

kathryn Shipley - August 05, 2024 at 11:31 PM

RB

“ *Rita Bland lit a candle in memory of Beatrice "Bea" Goodin*



Rita Bland - July 30, 2024 at 08:35 PM

MS

“ *Mrs Goodin will be missed she and my husband George were teachers together and Jonathan just told me a funny story when he was in her class. A lot of good memories.*



Mary Shrum - July 28, 2024 at 01:19 PM

TL

“ Mrs. Goodin was one of my favorite teachers. I enjoyed talking with her at church often. She is going to be missed by many people. Our prayers go out to her family.



The Lilleys - July 28, 2024 at 10:58 AM

ES

“ Esther Stone lit a candle in memory of Beatrice "Bea" Goodin



esther stone - July 28, 2024 at 08:44 AM



“ She was a wonderful teacher I have many memories of being in her class Sonja Welch Scherff

Bert Scherff - July 27, 2024 at 03:04 PM

TD

“ Tom & Jean Dempsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Beatrice "Bea" Goodin



Tom & Jean Dempsey - July 27, 2024 at 11:42 AM

KS

“ I had the honor to serve with Bea on the city council until she retired from her chair. I have always had fond memories of her when she was secretary at the junior high and on the board of the BPW. She was a wonderful and compassionate woman. I'm truly sorry for your loss!

Kathy Smith - July 27, 2024 at 09:34 AM

CR

I will always treasure a special bond with Aunt Bea! We talked so much about our teaching experiences! We loved our gin and tonic happy hours as well! I loved how her eyes lit up and her spirits brightened when Steve and her were together! We love you!

Cheryl La Rue - August 09, 2024 at 01:01 PM

CO

“ *Cindy Poyser Osborne lit a candle in memory of Beatrice "Bea" Goodin*



Cindy Poyser Osborne - July 26, 2024 at 05:23 PM