



## Neeta Fay Deaton

November 1, 1919 - August 10, 2013

Neeta Fay (Shoemake) Deaton, daughter of the late John and Lillian Shoemake, was born November 1, 1919, in Standing Rock, Oklahoma, and passed away August 10, 2013, in Alva, Oklahoma at the age of 93.

Neeta graduated from Atoka High School in 1937. On June 5, 1938 she married the late William Franklin Deaton whom she met while working as the cashier at the Pix Theatre he managed in Atoka. Her favorite job was as a kindergarten teacher's aide in Nashville, Tennessee, where she and Frank lived for many years.

She was preceded in death by Frank, her husband of sixty-one years, her twin sister Weeta May Kelley, and two brothers, Ira and Leo Shoemake. She is survived by her sister Mary Haley and four children, Diana Kington, Judi O'Steen, Michael Deaton and Randy Deaton, eight grandchildren, Tod Kington and Brooke (Kington) Sherritt, David and Patrick O'Steen, Kim (Deaton) Gregson and Brett Deaton, Jacob and Alex Deaton, and one great-grandchild, Cole Franklin Gregson.

A faithful member of the College Hill Church of Christ, Neeta was loved by everyone who knew her. Her life revolved around her family and friends on whom she lavished her love and attention. Until recently, she continued to serve by volunteering in the nursing home where she spent her final days, tutoring young children to read, and preparing excellent dishes for every potluck that came her way. Though she had very few earthly possessions, Neeta was rich with love and faith. She will be deeply missed.

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# Tribute Wall

CE

“ *Neeta's family...What a beautiful lady she was...always a smile no matter how bad she felt...my prayers are with the family as you go thru this heartache....Heaven has gained an Angel*

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**Charlotte Edwards** - August 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ *To Neeta's Family - We will keep in you prayer through you grief and sadness. Neeta was a beautiful Christian lady and was an example of loving kindness. We will miss her, but know she is home. Our sincere condolences.*

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**Greg & Natalie Miller** - August 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *May Aunt Neeta rest in peace and my God keep her family close. I know Uncle Frank, Grandpa Edone Deaton, and all the other family that have passed before her was there to greet her for her homecoming...*

*Peace be with you*

*Angela (Linda's eldest daughter)*

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**Angela Mariconi Prather** - August 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ I have the fondest memories of my Aunt Neeta. She was always gracious and so loving. She and Uncle Frank were with us at so many family gatherings. Uncle Frank, like the rest of his brothers, was always alive with stories about growing up and his kids, and Aunt Neeta quietly did the background work along with the other " girls" that made each gathering fun and memorable. We will miss her greatly.

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**John Deaton** - August 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Diane and family,

*I was so sorry to hear of your mother's death. She such a wonderful lady. I have such fond memories of my family visiting with yours and all the wonderful times we had together. I know that you will miss her so much. We are never prepared to lose our Mon's. I still miss mine. My prayers and love are with you. Love Linda*

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**Linda Deaton Mariconi** - August 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM