



## Bettye Earnest

September 26, 1927 - April 8, 2011

EULESS -- Bettye Ruth Earnest MacArthur, 83, passed away Friday, April 8, 2011, at her home.

Funeral: 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 18, in the chapel of First Baptist Church Eules, 1000 Airport Freeway, Eules, with senior adult minister, the Rev. Dr. Bob Neely, officiating.

Interment: 2:15 p.m. in Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mt. Creek Parkway, Dallas.

Visitation: The family will receive friends Sunday, 2 to 4 p.m. in Lucas Funeral Home, 1321 Precinct line Road, Hurst.

Bettye was a long time resident of Eules. She was an employee of Red River Army Depot in Texarkana, TX, and also for the Dallas Fort Worth Airport.

Bettye was preceded in death by her Father, Byron and Mother, Modena Givens; and husbands Ray Earnest and Frank MacArthur.

Survivors: son, David and wife, Sveta Earnest of Keller; daughter Marianne and husband, Bob Sebastian of McKinney; grandchildren, Chris and wife, Julie Earnest, Aleksandr Earnest, Steve and wife, Richelle Sebastian, Karen

Sebastian, and Brian Sebastian; great-grandchildren, Callie Earnest, Cori Earnest, Emma Earnest, Kayla Johnson, Sydney Burns, and Sabrian Sebastian; Sisters, Ann Kirkley, of Dallas, Carolyn Pearson, of Bullhead City, AZ, Gloria and husband, Don Parker, of Paris, TX, and Mary and husband, George Wilson of Boles, AR.

# Tribute Wall

MS

“ Mother was a unique person. She loved the Lord, life, her family and friends. She loved to dance, sing and was very creative. She never met a stranger and had a special place in her heart for children. She loved to socialize and have a good time. In her later years, she slowed down a bit but that didn't stop her from doing as much as she could. We enjoyed having adventures when we got together. She will be remembered and greatly missed. And, she'll be waiting to greet us all when its our time to join her.

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**Marianne Sebastian** - April 20, 2011 at 11:10 PM

DF

“ Bettye Ruth was a great  
"Ma Ma"  
"Little Ma"  
and last but not least  
"Grandma"

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**David Earnest & Family** - April 18, 2011 at 09:39 PM

AK

“ Father, I thank you for knowing and understanding what we forget. I thank you for Bettye's life and especially for her children, Marianne & Bob, David & Sveta -- and those whose names I cannot remember to name. Forgive us of our sins and help us to live our lives to honor you, in Jesus Name.

*P.S. to Bettye -- You are the first to go. After you have spent some time with the Lord, please hug Mom & Dad, and Jesse!*

Love,  
Ann

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**Ann Kirkley** - April 15, 2011 at 04:41 PM

CB

“ *The greatest testimony of a person's life is that the memory of them that their children and grandchildren have is of their love for Christ. That is what we will cherish always for Bettye and for all of her family. Resurrection is our reality in Him -- for all eternity!*

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**Charles and Jann Branch** - April 15, 2011 at 04:15 PM

MW

“ *More than there is room to tell. She claimed me for her first-born at age 16 and told me for almost 68 years that she loved me as her own and that there was absolutely nothing impossible for me to achieve. She even loved my imaginary friends and has kept them alive much longer than my own memory has--for the entire family! Grateful for her loving encouragement all my life and jealous that she got to go Home and greet Momma and Daddy before me. I told her again and again, it was scriptural that the 'last' should get to go 'first'! I praise God that she was dressed 'to the nines' and probably checking her shopping list when suddenly she looked up into the eyes of our Savior Yeshua and realized that, for all eternity, she was really, really HOME! Hug them all for me--hope to be there soon with you and all our other loved ones! Heart-hugs from your baby sister--who will forever be 'younger than thee'! Just had to say it one more time!*

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**Mary Givens Wilson** - April 12, 2011 at 04:30 PM