



## Beatrice Lou Reeves

August 26, 1932 - September 30, 2023

Beatrice Lou Johnson Reeves died at the age of 91 on September 30, 2023, after a long battle with dementia at Madden Lighthouse.

She was born August 26, 1932 in Dekalb, Texas to Floyd M. Johnson and Mary Majors Johnson.

She graduated from Amarillo High School in 1950. She began working as a secretary at the Amarillo Air Force Base, where she met her husband of 33 years, Charles Prentiss Reeves. In 1972, they moved to Leake County where she worked first as a classroom aide, then secretary at South Leake Elementary. After her husband's death in 1986, she started working part-time at Wal-Mart. She eventually retired from the school, but continued to work at Wal-Mart until she was 78 and was known to many as Mrs. Bea.

She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church for over 45 years.

She is survived by her two children, son Charlie Reeves (Katherine Crowe), Lena, daughter Mary Ellis (Barry Ellis), Walnut Grove; granddaughter, Melissa Ellis Bradley (Alex Bradley), Madison, MS and sister Ina Boehm, Olathe, Kansas.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Charles Prentiss Reeves: infant

daughter, Rose Marie Reeves; parents Mary M. Johnson and Floyd Johnson; brother John Johnson; and sisters Wanda J. Johnson and Flora Mae Johnson.

Visitation will be held at New Hope Baptist Church from 11 AM to 1 PM Tuesday, October 3, 2023. Services will follow at 1 PM at New Hope Baptist Church with Bro. Bobby Barfoot and Bro. Bobby Roberson officiating. She will be laid to rest in New Hope Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Reggie Hillman, Carl Ware, Marcus Ellis, Michael Putnam, Ken Jones and Ben Carroll.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 3. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

New Hope Baptist Church  
4572 Starling Center Road  
Walnut Grove, MS 39189

## Service

OCT 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Miss Bea was once my mother in law, and I always found her to be so kind and loving. Her warmth was infectious and her smile big and bright. I loved her homemade cooking and big garden filled with an abundance of vegetables. I always felt so welcomed in her home. I'm now glad she is in a peaceful place.*

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**Miriam Litchfield** - October 02, 2023 at 08:38 PM