



Bette J. Tillett

July 15, 1938 - August 23, 2019

Bette J. Tillett, 81, of McPherson, KS, died Friday, August 23, 2019, at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita.

Bette was born on July 15, 1938, at Atkinson, NE, the daughter of Melvin and Alfretta (Spencer) Henderson. She graduated from Gypsum High School. Bette was united in marriage to Leo "Buzz" L. Tillett on May 22, 1954, in Gypsum, KS. She had been a McPherson resident since 1978 and retired from Abbott Labs in January 1999.

She is survived by: her four sons, Jerry of Salina, KS, Terry & Angie of Sullivan, MO, Gerry & Barb of McPherson, KS, and Randy & Karyn of Sparks, NV; sister, Jo Mae Shaw of Lindsborg, KS; ten grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Melvin & Alfretta Henderson; husband, Buzz Tillett on August 24, 1997; and daughter, Debra J. Nelson in December 2018.

A private family service is pending.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to American Diabetes Association in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 North Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

Comments



“ Betty and Leo were wonderful loving people.
I remember in '97, being in the hospital the same time as Leo. Despite what your family was going through, there were still several visits with me.
I know Betty touched many lives. She was so kind and her humor is something I will always remember.
I am truly sorry for your loss.
~Ronda

Ronda - September 02, 2019 at 05:40 AM



“ Aunt Bette was a wonderful Aunt. She was someone you could depend on and she was always willing to help. I spent a lot of time in her home when I was growing up. Her home was like a shelter from the chaos that was in my home. I will miss her greatly! I can only imagine the grief and loss shared by my cousins during this time. My heart goes out to all of you. I'm glad she was a part of my life.

Shelley Staggs - September 01, 2019 at 01:38 PM



“ She was a beautiful lady. So sorry for your loss. I was her hairstylist for many years. Loved her, will definitely miss her. Rest in peace Bette!

Angela Goebel - August 27, 2019 at 10:12 AM



“ Bette and I were best friends when we were little and spent hours together playing. I have pics of our first day of first grade
She lived down the road from me and would run thru the ditch either to sneak away from home or because she was too little to walk on the road and was afraid of the cars. I am sorry to hear of her death. We had many hours of playing together and one time when bringing the cows in from the pasture for milking a mule kicked Bette in the middle of her back and knocked her off the pony. We were very aware of where the mules were from that day on. Many many fond memories our time together in Roxbury and Gypsum.

Katie (Crowther) Weis - August 26, 2019 at 08:57 PM



“ Barb and Gerry I am so sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and your family.

Lacey Jones - August 26, 2019 at 02:56 PM



“ Kathy Lutman lit a candle in memory of Bette J. Tillett



Kathy Lutman - August 26, 2019 at 02:40 PM



“ Bette was a beautiful person and will be missed by so many. Lots of memories at the lake. She was a wonderful boss who worked so hard but yet very fun to be around. The most giving person I have ever met. My prayers to the family who have lost a very special lady yet she is happily with Buzz once again. Lots of memories to cherish forever.

Kathy Lutman - August 26, 2019 at 02:48 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Bette & Buzz Tillett



Tammie Stockham - August 26, 2019 at 11:52 AM



“ Once again this neighborhood has lost an amazing person...I will miss you Bette. My thoughts and prayers to the family.

Phyllis Wood - August 26, 2019 at 08:57 AM



“ Charlotte Rahn lit a candle in memory of Bette J. Tillett



Charlotte Rahn - August 25, 2019 at 01:00 PM



“ Dave and Charlotte Rahn purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Bette J. Tillett.



Dave and Charlotte Rahn - August 25, 2019 at 11:15 AM



“ I have very fond memories of Betty. I worked both for and with her at Sterling Drug. She was not only a great supervisor , she was also someone you could call your friend. She had a wonderful heart for people. She left an imprint on many hearts , including mine. She will be missed by many

Diana Sykes - August 24, 2019 at 08:06 PM



“ Thinking of the Tillett family during this time of grief. You are all in my thoughts.

Julie Roten (Bennett) - August 24, 2019 at 10:13 PM



“ Gerry, Barn and family - so sorry about your loss. Cal and Cindy Helm

Cindy Helm - August 26, 2019 at 06:12 PM