



Bonita Faye Douglass

January 28, 1936 - December 25, 2025

Bonita Faye Douglass, 89, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, passed away peacefully on December 25, 2025.

Born on January 28, 1936, Bonita lived a well-lived life filled with dedication, creativity, and service. Affectionately known as “Bonnie” or “Munch” by family and close friends, she was widely regarded as “the kindest earth angel,” whose gentle spirit, compassion and warmth, touched countless lives.

Bonnie proudly served her country with remarkable dedication through her work with the Arkansas Air National Guard, where she contributed her skills and commitment over the course of 40 years in support of military operations and readiness. Her long and steadfast service reflected the grace, reliability, and quiet strength she brought to every endeavor.

In the late 1960s, she served as Secretary of the Arkansas Water Ski Association, helping to organize and promote the sport during a time of growth and enthusiasm for water skiing in the state.

Since 1990, Bonnie served as Secretary for the Writers in the Round Concert Series in Houston, Texas.

A talented visual artist, Bonnie created beautiful charcoal and watercolor portraits, capturing the essence of her subjects with sensitivity and skill. Her artwork reflected her deep appreciation for beauty and the human spirit.

She brought light to those around her through her unwavering support, listening ear, and acts of kindness. Family and friends remember her as a woman of grace, gratitude, and quiet strength, whose legacy of love and

generosity continues to inspire.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her mother, Ann Cole; her stepfather, Frank Cole; her father, Watson Douglass; her brother, Larry Douglass and wife, Elizabeth; her sisters-in-law, Margaret and Shirley Douglass; her nephew, Donald Douglass; and her Uncle Dallas and Aunt Helen Dolan. She also leaves behind her adopted daughters by heart, Linda Lowe and Candyce Matthews. She now rejoins her Heavenly family, where her gentle soul shines eternally.

She is survived by her brother, Billy Douglass; her nephew, Mike Douglass; and a wide circle of cherished friends, nieces, and nephews whose lives she enriched.

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Julie Meeks and Laura Mohr for their loving care and support.

A graveside service will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, May 16, at Griffin Leggett Rest Hills Memorial Park in North Little Rock, AR.

A Celebration of Life gathering will be held in August at Hot Springs Funeral Home to honor the legacy of Bonnie Douglass. Date and time to be determined.

Upcoming Events

Graveside Service

MAY 16. 12:00 PM.

Griffin Leggett Rest Hills Memorial Park
North Little Rock, AR

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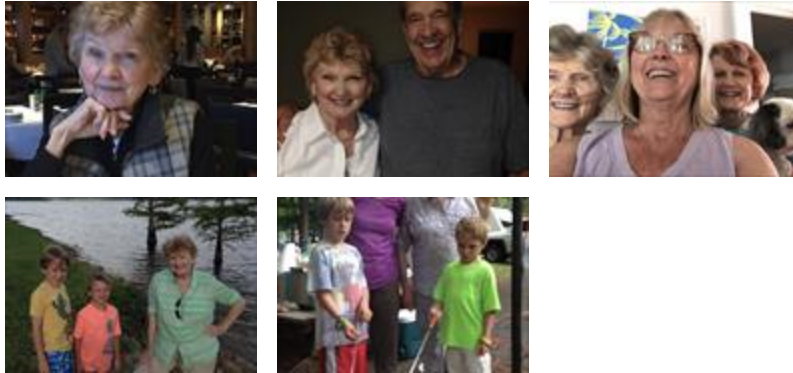
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Aura Lee Emsweller - May 08 at 08:18 PM

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“ So, so many beautiful memories ❤️💙💚



Aura Lee Emsweller - May 08 at 08:13 PM

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“ *Bonnie's Service to Our Military*

Upon entering the offices of the Headquarters of the Arkansas Air National Guard, regardless for pleasant or possibly unpleasant business, one would experience a wonderful occasion when greeted by Bonnie. The Special Assistant to the Staff, Chief Administration Specialist, General Bailey would refer to her as the commander, would greet you with that very special smile, a pleasant hello and if it was your special day a loving hug. Bonnie was superb at the management of all administration of the Arkansas Air National Guard with flying units at Little Rock and Fort Smith, Combat Tactical Communication Unit at Hot Springs and Tactical Reconnaissance Operations at Little Rock. Bonnie's skill and organization not only kept the day-to-day operation smooth but kept the entire Arkansas Air National Guard inspection and mission ready. She was special on the job and as a friend to all who knew her. She was the Air National Guard.

*Richard Green
Command Chief Master Sergeant USAF (Ret)*

Richard Green - February 10 at 04:32 PM

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Aura Emsweller - February 08 at 07:01 PM

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“ Munch with Linda and Pandy, having fun at the lake house.



Aura Emsweller - February 02 at 06:41 PM

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“ A loving TADAH to our dear Munch, backstage at the Women in the Round Arkansas Songbird Gathering



Aura Emsweller - February 02 at 06:23 PM

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“Darlin’ Munch was always ready for the next adventure, enthusiastically accomplished with style and grace...all the while her eyes twinkling when she smiled. Yes, we were abundantly lucky who were in her loving orbit.



Aura Lee Emsweller - January 10 at 11:49 AM

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Linda Lowe - January 09 at 04:11 PM

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Linda Lowe - January 09 at 04:10 PM



“ Rest in sweet peace, Bonnie "Munch" Douglass. She was a dear friend, "Mom" and best supporter to all of us, especially in Linda Lowe's, Women in the Round on the Road! We had so much fun and laughter with her on and off tours. She will be greatly missed. Deepest condolences to Candy, Linda, Karl, Michelle and all her extended family and friends.



Becky Smith - January 06 at 10:45 PM

SQ

“ Munch loved and was so loved by so many whose lives she touched with her humor, beauty and steadfast support. Always a lady, and shining example of what a loving human being looks like. Thank you, Linda for sharing your mom with us all. ❤️

Selia Qynn - January 06 at 05:28 PM

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“ To know her was to love her. And she didn't hesitate to show her love right back, in so many ways, to so many lucky people. Munch was a dear Mom to us all.



Aura Lee Emsweller - January 05 at 10:45 PM

LL

RIP Beautiful Bonnie. Munch, We will always cherish your precious memory.

Linda Lowe - January 13 at 07:31 PM

CS

“ *Bonnie, also known as Linda Lowe’s beloved Munch, was a smart, lovely, funny, feisty lady. She was a true friend who will be deeply missed by all who knew her.*

Cathy Slater - January 05 at 01:27 PM

KC

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Karl Caillouet - January 05 at 11:10 AM

KC

Bonnie, whom we affectionately call Munch, asked that Linda sing this prayer plea written for her to go gently

Karl Caillouet - January 05 at 04:21 PM

SU

Such a LADY in all true expression —. True LADY!

suzonne - January 05 at 10:24 PM

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Linda Lowe - January 04 at 05:17 PM

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Karl Caillouet - January 04 at 04:46 PM