



Laura Beth White

May 7, 1930 - May 6, 2022

Laura Beth White, 91, of Hot Springs passed away Friday morning May 6, 2022 one day before her 92nd birthday. She was currently living in St. Louis, Missouri. Laura Beth was born May 7, 1930 in Tularosa, New Mexico to Robert Diamond and Ruth Augusta Sims Braughton.

Laura Beth attended college at the University of Texas and Henderson State Teachers College. Laura Beth was a well-known music teacher in Hot Springs retiring from Hot springs High school. She also taught at Mt. Pine, Rix, Oaklawn, Central Jr. High and Garland County Community College. Laura Beth loved working with young people and strived to help them reach their potential, not only in music, but in life as well. There are many students that remember and love her to this day. Her madrigal choirs and the Easter Sunrise Service on Tower Mountain are fondly remembered. She was also choir director at Grand Avenue United Methodist Church for several years. Laura Beth loved all of her family and always hosted family holiday gatherings. She and sister Barbara enjoyed their coffee and catalogs! She loved the Lord and attended church all her life. She will be dearly missed by her daughter Dr. Marsha McBride McCullough (Ken), son Terry McLarty (Sheila), step daughter Judy Cahill Grantham, stepson Mike Cahill, sister Barbara Baber (Doug), and sister-in-law Sue Braughton. Her grandchildren are Grady McBride (Angie), Jon McLarty, Moriah Cahill, and Carson Grantham. Four great grandchildren also survive her. Laura Beth treasured her nieces and nephews as her own. They are Phil Baber (Kim), Janie Curl

(Jim), Allison Ramsey, Kevin Braughton (Melanie). Also bringing her joy are great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews. Her special friend and caregiver for years is Sherrill Brown. More recently, Beth Packer assisted Laura especially by helping with her wardrobe. Laura Beth leaves behind a community of friends and former students she loved.

Laura Beth is predeceased by her parents, brother Gene Braughton, husband Leonard N. White Jr., grandson Ryan McBride, and nephew Brad Braughton.

There will be a graveside service on May 16, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock at Hot Springs Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Reverend Jonathan Beyer of First Lutheran Church will officiate. Pastor David Fleming of Grand Avenue United Methodist Church will assist. Graveside music provided by Threshold Singers of Hot Springs directed by Kathie White. Laura Beth loved Jesus Christ, her family, music, people, and dogs. In her memory, consider donating to an organization of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Gardens

Hot Springs, AR 71913

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SR

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



SRM - May 16, 2022 at 10:36 AM



“ *Laura Beth, You were a mentor for me and a fabulous music teachers. Madrigals, choir in church and community, you shared your love of music. You are in my music today. Love, Laura Braughton Blue Waters.*

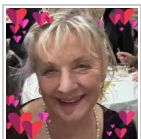
Laura Waters - May 16, 2022 at 08:10 AM



“ *Laura Waters lit a candle in memory of Laura Beth White*



Laura Waters - May 16, 2022 at 08:07 AM



“ *You were my beloved music teacher for HSHS madrigals and choir, church choir, and in the community. You will always be in my heart and in my music. Thank you so much. Laura (Braughton) Blue Waters*

Laura Blue Waters - May 15, 2022 at 09:06 PM



“ *Laura Blue Waters lit a candle in memory of Laura Beth White*



Laura Blue Waters - May 15, 2022 at 09:02 PM

CB

“ *Losing a mother is never easy. No matter how prepared you think you are, you're never ready for the loss you feel. Mike Cahill*

Cynthia Bernard - May 15, 2022 at 01:33 PM

CQ

“ *She was my first music teacher in grade school. Even though I did not feel like I fit in, she always complimented me on my singing ability and also chose me for a few things. She gave me confidence when I did not have any. I loved her.*

Candy Quast - May 10, 2022 at 05:11 PM

SH

“ *I was in many choirs and musicals under her direction, she was a very sweet lady.*

Scott Hass - May 09, 2022 at 02:34 PM

RC

“ *Loved this lady! Worked with her at the old Central Jr High 1964-71. She was a great choir director! Ron Chesser*

Ron Chesser - May 08, 2022 at 08:54 AM

MH

“ Mrs Laura Beth very sweet person. Loved her log cabin quilts. The talent time the love she put in her quilts.

Mrs. Mike Harris - May 07, 2022 at 07:31 PM

RR

“ So sorry to hear this my thoughts are with you.



randy ragland - May 07, 2022 at 01:13 PM

BE

“ Laura Beth was my teacher my senior year in H.S. I worked closely with her because I accompanied a couple groups, took private voice lessons,I was in Madrigals and Fiddler. I also went on a trip with her and some of the other singers. We used to tease each other a lot. She was kind, gentle, thoughtful, generous. respectful, funny, and brilliant! I am so glad that I got to see her a couple of times in the last few years. I loved her a lot!



Beth - May 07, 2022 at 12:29 PM

DA

The best teacher I ever had. I loved her because she loved all her kids. She made all of us better.

Don Allen - May 10, 2022 at 04:14 PM