



Margaret Farr Stitt

September 22, 1919 - August 19, 2017

Margaret Farr Stitt, 97, of Hot Springs passed away on Saturday, August 19, 2017. She was born on September 22, 1919 in Hot Springs to Mary E. “Mollie” Roulston Farr and Daniel Jackson Farr.

Margaret grew up in the Red Oak community on Lake Hamilton and was of the Methodist faith. Her interests and hobbies were her family, the lake and golf. She could hit the golf ball straight down the fairway with never a slice or hook. After graduating from Lakeside High School in 1938, she attended Business School followed by a career in banking (ABT), insurance and retiring from the City of Hot Springs after 26 years of service. She was the secretary/policewoman under five Chiefs of Police, John Ermey, Joe Crain, Grover Douglas, Marvin Owen and Martin White. She was proud to serve the city and some of the less fortunate patrons of the city jail who called the jail, “Mrs. Stitt’s Hotel” because if they didn’t have a place to sleep or anything to eat, she would put them up in the jail for a night or two.

She is predeceased by her parents, her siblings, Harold, Evelyn (Effie), William (Bill), Frank, Richard (Dickey), Adele, Jackie and Jennie and her former husband, Clayton Smith, all of whom she loved dearly.

Survivors include two sons, Frankie Smith (Sherry McRae) of Hot Springs, and Richard Smith (Aurelia) of Hartsville, S.C.; a grandson, Ret. Col. Brian

Smith of Vass, N.C.; a great granddaughter, Rachell; a great grandson, Conner; nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. in Greenwood Cemetery with Reverend Andrew Gonzalez officiating.

Honorary pallbearers are all the former Hot Springs Police Officers she worked with.

A special thanks to the Doctors, Nurses and staff of Arkansas Hospice Inpatient.

In lieu of flowers, memorials have been designated to the Caring Place.

Tribute Wall

CL

“ Frankie ... Thinking of you and how close you were to your dear mother ... We are so very sorry for your loss ... Clarissa and Steven Kirsch

Clarisa - August 24, 2017 at 07:51 PM

SH

“ Condolences from all my family. Parked my bike at her house every day when in grade school. Weekends on the Lake with her and Effie are fond memories. She helped me get started when I moved back to HS.

Scott Hickam - August 23, 2017 at 09:17 AM

LB

“ Prayers for you ,Frank and family, as you go on . Always a pleasure to visit with your sweet Mom.

Linda Bright - August 23, 2017 at 06:40 AM

KC

“ So very sorry to hear about the loss of your sweet mom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time.
Harry & Kathy Childs



Kathy Childs - August 22, 2017 at 05:58 PM

MM

“ My family and I have spent the morning talking about Margaret and what a wonderful lady she was. I remember Margaret coming to see Daddy and Mother and at the lake with Effie. She was part of our growing up years. We are so sorry for your loss. Sharon, David, Vicki, Pam and Meshiel Stephens.

Meshiel McFarland - August 22, 2017 at 03:04 PM

AS

“ Miss Margaret was such a lovely lady. She was quick with a hug, and had a twinkle in her eyes. She would call my sister and I "Her girls". She kept in touch with the family after my Grandfather retired and they no longer worked together. Miss Margaret touched many people and we are all better for having known her. She was loved and will be greatly missed. God Bless you and your family Frankie.

Angela Ermey Schueller

Angela Schueller - August 22, 2017 at 01:24 PM

JH

“ Frankie and Richard my thoughts are with you during this time. So enjoyed the years living next door to your mom it was a lot of fun she was quite a person to visit with and so kind. Hope all is good with the family. Julia

Julia Hartsfield - August 22, 2017 at 10:13 AM

RW

“ I met Mrs Margaret 14 years ago when she bought the house beside mine, at a yard sale. Yes, a yard sale! She was the only one that could go to a regular yard sale and walk away with a completely furnished house. LOL All I knew was Frankie's name and when I needed to get in touch with him, I looked in the phone book and called the number there. The woman that answered, after I told her who I was, said "well, I'm his mother." The friendship was on after that. She got me out of the house and led me into many adventures and she was almost 40 years older than me. There is s story behind this statement that I will never forget, "a thousand dollars!"



The world's loss is heaven's gain. I love you Mrs Margaret. Give Sissy a scratch behind the ear from me.

My deepest condolences to the family

Robin Ward - August 21, 2017 at 04:07 PM