



Winnie Morgan

November 28, 1930 - November 26, 2015

Winifred “Winnie” Ella Cooper Morgan died peacefully at her home on November 26, 2015. She was born November 28, 1930 in Marshalltown, Iowa to John & Evelyn Cooper.

Winnie graduated from Montour High School in 1948. Soon after, she moved to the White Horse Ranch in Nebraska to perform and tour the United States & Canada as a member of the all-female White Horse Troupe. She left the ranch to work on the racetrack where she met and married John Morgan in Louisville, Kentucky. Winnie was the first woman to take a horse to the post at the Kentucky Derby.

Winnie & John were both involved in the racing industry for over 50 years. They settled in Hot Springs in the 1960's. Winnie worked at the Arkansas Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association at Oaklawn Racetrack. She was an active member of the Hot Springs National Park Kennel Club.

She is preceded in death by a son at birth; her husband, John Morgan; her parents, John & Evelyn Cooper and her brothers, John & Tom Cooper.

Winnie is survived by one sister, Chloe Ann (Roger) Hill; sisters-in-law, Judy Cooper & Kathleen Cooper; many nieces, nephews and close friends.

A celebration of her life will be 11:00 AM Saturday December 5th at the Oaklawn Racetrack Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be to the Arkansas HBPA, Hot Springs National Park Kennel Club or your favorite charity.

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Winnie and John when I was 12 years old and visiting Gin and Nita Collins (also race trackers). I remember her scrap book and many, many folks on the backside said that Winnie was the preferred outrider when exercising a horse in the morning or taking them to post in the afternoon. Now I wish that when I visited Hot Springs I would have gotten in touch with her. She was such a nice lady. God bless her.

Marcia Pine - February 18, 2016 at 02:16 PM

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“ Sometimes special people come into your life. In 1987 Winnie was one of those special people I met at the "Garland County Art and Craft Festival". She would visit and work my booth all weekend for a piece of art. On one of these visits she showed me her scrapbook from her days as a participant in the White Horse Ranch Troupe. I could not get the horse images out of my head until I painted the painting I called "Dancers". Of course Winnie got print number one. That painting has been my hallmark ever since. Thank you Winnie. There would have never been a "Dancers" if not for you. Thank you for all your generosity and friendship. "Dancers" will live on at the "Woolaroc Museum and Wildlife Preserve" outside Bartlesville. They have asked for it when I die. The story of Winnie will always be attached to it. Thank you also for the beautiful jewelry you so generously endowed me with. I wear it often and always thank you and say prayers for you. I will continue to do so. Love you. Carolyn Mock

carolyn mock - December 02, 2015 at 11:34 AM

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“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We will miss her dearly. -
Mindy Farmer and Bessie Shuffield

Mindy Farmer - November 29, 2015 at 11:05 AM

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“ Winnie was a great friend! We worked
together at HBPA & she & John Morgan were
good friends when we first came to Hot
Springs. She was loved by many!!!



Sylvia Whittaker-Butler - November 29, 2015 at 12:13 AM