



Bettie Freiday

June 12, 1926 - March 29, 2008

Bettie M. Freiday, 81 of died Saturday, March 29th at Sandra Lynn Care Home in Corvallis. Bettie was born June 12, 1926 in Richmond, Virginia. She attended college in Chicago, Illinois and worked at various publishers including Popular Mechanics. She later married Jack Freiday, having three daughters together. In 1970, Bettie and her daughters returned to Virginia where Bettie resumed her passion in journalism working at the local newspaper. In 1979, Bettie moved to Searcy, Arkansas becoming a Research Librarian for the White County Public Library. At the age of 63, Bettie earned a Bachelor's degree in History and Political Science through Harding University. Bettie retired from the library in 1994, but always volunteered or worked part time in a library until recently. She particularly enjoyed working with students and liked helping the educational process. She has lived in Corvallis, Oregon for the last few years.

Bettie is survived by her three daughters, Jacqueline Finch, Beth Freiday and Shirley Irwin; sons in law Gary Irwin and Paul Finch; sister and brother in law Patricia and Mac Lehman; 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Forrest Glen Morgan. Private services will be held. Inurnment will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Roanoke, Virginia. The family requests memorial donations in Bettie's name be directed to Benton County Hospice in care of McHenry Funeral Home 206 NW 5th St., Corvallis, Oregon 97330.

Tribute Wall

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“ We are very sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. She was a great lady and a fine person. If you need any assistance, please contact me via email. I'll be happy to help you with anything you need here in Roanoke.

Joe Coleman Son of Joe and Hazel Eades Coleman

Joseph T. Coleman, Jr. - April 05, 2008 at 10:14 AM

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“ I was saddened to hear of the passing away of Ms. Freiday. We worked together at the Searcy Library for more than twelve years. She was a fantastic reference librarian. Many of our patrons still ask about the little lady that used to work here that knew everything. She was respected and liked by all who worked with her. We were fortunate to have known her.

Joyce Turley - April 04, 2008 at 10:43 AM

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“ Bettie was in my Sunday School class at Temple Baptist Church, Searcy. I am blessed to have known her. May god comfort the family at this time of sorrow.

Mary Harris - April 04, 2008 at 10:22 AM