



## Margaret Latture

April 23, 1918 - September 26, 2013

Margaret Dodd Latture, 95 years old, passed away on September 26, 2013 at The Gardens at Arkanshire. She was born April 23, 1918 in Haskell, Oklahoma to Grace and John McLemore.

Mrs. Latture was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, her first husband, Nelson Edward Dodd and their son Douglas McLemore Dodd, and her second husband, James Paul Latture, Sr.

She is survived by her daughter Rebecca Ellen Dodd Dearien, four grandchildren, Charles Douglas Dearien, Carlyn Delise Dearien, Christopher Daniel Dearien and Cayce Dearien Wallus and five great grandchildren, Jordyn, Ryan and Austin Schmitt, Noah Burgin and Ceara Wallus; one stepson, James Paul Latture, Jr. and wife Pam and 2 step grandchildren.

She received her BS Ed degree in 1939 and in later years received a degree in Library Science, both from the University of Arkansas. She was a member of the Springdale School faculty and was the librarian at Elmdale School for many years. She also volunteered at the Springdale Public Library.

When she married Mr. Latture, she lived in Fort Smith, Arkansas for 15 years where she made many good friends and was very active. She was a member of the Bonneville House Assoc. Board, the Fort Smith Art Center auxiliary,

Sparks Hospital Women's Board, Friends of the Library Board and enjoyed her bridge club at Hardscrabble Country Club. After Paul's death, she returned to Springdale.

Mrs. Latture was an active member of the First United Methodist Church and enjoyed the various opportunities offered. She was Chairman of the Church Library for several years and served on the Education Committee. She also was a long-time volunteer at the Bread of Life facility. She attended many bible study classes and other classes the church offered.

Mrs. Latture also volunteered at the Jones Center for Families from its opening in 1997 to 2011; The Art Center of the Ozarks and the Arkansas Support Network. She was a member of Chapter G, PEO Sisterhood and Laureate Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Funeral services will be Friday, October 4, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Springdale with Rev. Judy VanHoose officiating.

Donations in memory of Mrs. Latture may be made to First United Methodist Church Foundation Fund, 206 W. Johnson Ave., Springdale, Arkansas 72764 or the Bread of Life, 208 W. Emma Ave., Springdale, Arkansas 72764.

To sign the guestbook online please visit [www.siscofuneral.com](http://www.siscofuneral.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Latture*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *So sorry to read of Margaret's passing in today's paper. She will be missed. Enjoyed our monthly lunches for several years and our Christmas exchanges of baked goodies. I cannot attend the service on Friday, but will always remember her with great fondness -- a dear, sweet, gentle soul.*

Sara Fixmer - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM



“ *Dear Margaret, I will miss you so much. I will miss our lunches, our chats, and your love of life. Dear Margaret's family, I am so sorry for your loss. I did not get to see Margaret as often since we stopped working together. She was, and always will be, in my heart, my thoughts and my prayers. Sincerely,  
Sharon Brasko*

Sharon Brasko - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM



“ *Margaret was such a great help to us in the human resources department at the Jones Center. She assisted with filing and keeping things in order.*

*She was such a constant presence at the Center, and you could always get a quick pick-me-up from Margaret's cheery "Hello" in that deep, gracious Southern voice. She will be missed.*

Deborah Henderson - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM

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“ *Becky, so sorry for your loss*

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**Carol May** - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM

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“ *So sorry to hear of Margaret's passing. She was a special lady and she and her sister were dear friends of our aunt, Alyne Berry. We hope that the many wonderful memories you have will help you through this difficult time.*

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**Curtis and Debbie Starnes, Roberta Starnes** - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM

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“ *Grandmother, I love you so very much! Thank you for always being there for me and for making sure I knew how important I was to you! You meant the world to me--nothing will ever be the same. I miss you!*

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**Carlyn Dearien** - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM

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“ My mother, Virginia Preddy, came to know Margaret when Mother was in the hospital and Margaret came as the church visitor. Even though they both attended First Methodist, they didn't really know each other. It was the beginning of a wonderful friendship, and their relationship was so close they felt like sisters to each other. Margaret was such a loving friend to my mother and she was such a lovely person that my sister Melody and I had the pleasure of staying in contact with Margaret after my mother died at age 93 in 2010. I was able to visit Margaret last year when I was in Arkansas. I remember the beautiful notecards that Margaret sent, and I will always be thankful for the wonderful times she and my mother had together.

*Caroline Pickens  
Mclean, VA*

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**Caroline Pickens** - October 21, 2013 at 03:02 PM



“ Margaret was our neighbor in Ft. Smith & Springdale. She was a good friend and lovely neighbor. We will miss her smile.  
*Luann & Paul Lawrence*

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October 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM