



# Minnie "Bea" Petrey

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**M**innie "Bea" Petrey, 88, of DeRidder, Louisiana, passed from this life on Friday, August 13, 2021, in Lake Charles, Louisiana. Minnie, the daughter of Pearl Brittain and Sophia Davidson Brittain, was born on December 1, 1932 in Hensley, Kentucky.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, from 11:00 AM until Funeral Service begins at 2:00 PM, at Bilbo and Roberts Church of Christ, located at 782 Bilbo Street, DeRidder, Louisiana with James Patterson officiating. Interment will follow at Shiloh Cemetery in DeRidder. Funeral services under the direction of Labby Memorial Funeral of DeRidder.

The life our momma lived was a full one, filled with adventure, sorrow and lots of love. Momma was a coal miner's daughter born in a coal mining camp in eastern Kentucky. She had lung problems when she was a little girl and they didn't know if she would survive, but she did. I would say that's great since she left us to go home with the lord at the age of 88. She was one of 11 children. She sang gospel music on the radio when she was in high school, momma loved to sing. Momma wanted to be a nurse and was offered a full scholarship to go to nursing school. That was until my daddy came into her life. He was a soldier and he took her all over the world during his military career. She didn't have the degree but she nursed many of bruised knees, broken hearts and she took care of my daddy before he passed away. Momma was all about the red, white & blue, she loved our country, our flag and our soldiers. On her trips to Fort Polk she would drop off banana bread to the MP's at the gate on post and fudge during the holidays. She loved laughing, baking, fishing, talking with family and friends. Just talking with her could lift you up. She believed if you have a bad day, tomorrow will be better. You work hard and you will reap the rewards. We want to acknowledge just some of the special people who have made an imprint on her heart. Miss Garnita, you were a sister to her, your family was her family. Miss Jerry,



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she valued her friendship with you and sharing the church pew with you and Miss Wanda. Miss Wanda, she loved your talks on the phone. Mr. Jerry you were always there just a phone call away. She was excited when you would come over to have BBQ ribs with her. Mr. Clifford & Miss Janice thank you for your care and concern, the calls to see how momma was. Ruby, Joe, Nicole, Chad, she loved talking with you all, said you were good people. Charis, you were sent by God to help. Your weekly visits this last year meant the world to her. Linda H., she loved your talks on your daily walk. These are just some of the people who have left an imprint on my momma's heart. and I hope that she has left an imprint on yours because I know she has on ours. Thank you.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters, Glenda Fay Sykes and husband Wayne of Ellijay, GA, Sharon Primeaux of Blairsville, Ga, Margarette Buroker and husband Wayne of Jefferson, WC; brother, Pearl "Curly" Brittain, Jr. and wife Ruth of Norman, IN; sisters, Mae Burns of Nicholasville, KY, and Barbara Burns and husband Edgar of Nicholasville, KY; eleven grandchildren, Glenda's children: Christine (John), Athena (Kevin), Anthony (Laurie), and Jack, Sharon's children: Michelle (John), Larry Dale (Ellie), Joshua (Rachel), and Matthew (Kristina), Margarette's children: Nicholas (Samantha), Michael, and Elizabeth; eighteen great grandchildren; seven great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Pearl Brittain and Sophia Brittain and her loving husband of 49 years, Jack Petrey.

Those honored to serve as pallbearer are Larry Primeaux, Joshua Primeaux, Matthew Primeaux, Jack Sykes, Nicholas Buroker, and Michael Buroker.

*Funeral Service will be streamed live from our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/labbymemorial>. Please like our page to get notified when we go live.*



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KB

**Kelly Bailey** posted:

I'm sorry to hear of your sweet mother passing. She was very helpful to me and I appreciated her. I'm extremely sorry for just finding this news out. Prayers to you and your family.

August 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

A loss for all of us. As a neighbor we talked almost daily, ate together periodically, told fish stories, and just enjoyed living on the lake. Her banana bread was unmatched and her ability to withstand my aggravation heartwarming. I'll miss her and hope that she got to the place she wanted to be!

August 16 at 7:00 PM

WS

**Wendy Starkey** posted:

We will miss Miss Bea and her banana bread! And I know Daddy will miss her and her cooking.

August 16 at 7:00 PM

JH

**Jennifer Hebert** posted:

So very sorry for the loss of your sweet mother. She would always make it a point to visit us when we were there with dad ( Mr. Jerry ). And of course we had to take a loaf of that wonderful banana bread. She will be dearly missed by all. Sending love to all of you. Jennifer Hebert

August 16 at 7:00 PM

CS

**Cherryl Sullivan** posted:

May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived.

August 15 at 7:00 PM

JP

**Jack Petrey** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all in these difficult days. She was such a special woman. Sending love to everyone.

August 15 at 7:00 PM



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**Linda Hereford** posted:

Dear Glenda, Sharon Kay & Margaret your mom was the sweetest!!!! it was so easy for us to talk for hours to catch up on each other lives. she will be forever in my heart ♥. Praying for you guys. Linda Gail Hereford, KY.

August 15 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Minnie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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