



Patsy Ruth Faulkinberry

November 14, 1934 - November 7, 2023

Heaven's newest angel, Patsy Ruth Downey Faulkinberry, of Branson, Missouri, was born November 14, 1934, in Pernell Oklahoma to Alfred Weldon Downey and Flona Green Downey. In 1953 she began her 69 year love story with Bobby Faulkinberry. Their marriage was filled with much joy and happiness, and one beautifully continuous adventure after another! First and foremost to Patsy was her marriage and family. In between family gatherings and every day life, she filled her days with researching and authoring three cookbooks, and several family genealogy books. Arts and crafts, sewing, crocheting, writing, reading, and word games were just some of her accomplishments and her cooking was legendary! Family and friends were always welcome and a pot of coffee was always ready.

Patsy was blessed with four children born to her and her husband Bobby. They celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary this year. She is survived by her children, Alletha Fry of Hollister, Missouri; Katrinka and her husband Weldon Scrivner of Abilene, Texas; LaTonya Moore of Hollister, Missouri; Marty and his wife Joanna Faulkinberry of Pineville, Missouri. She was blessed with 9 grandchildren Shane Fry and wife Beverly, Angel Leonard and husband Todd, Bill Fry and wife Anna, Autumn Uehlinger and husband Michael, Summer Roberts, Jason Faulkinberry and wife Kellie, Brandon Faulkinberry and wife Elizabeth, Aaron Blevins, and Livy Wade and husband Tyler. And 24 great Grandkids. Jared, Alyssa, Tyler R, Ryan, Zoe, Colton,

Bridger, Kinley, Isaac, Jesse, Jack, Nathan, Hudson, Noah, Caleb, Tyler F, Dawsynn, Joshua, Joy Anna, Felix, Harper, Thayer, Greta, and Fallon. She was preceded in death by her husband Bobby Faulkinberry, parents Alfred and Flona Downey, and her sister Bill Downey.

Graveside services are scheduled for Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at Foster Cemetery. Officiating will be Patsy's sister-in-law Cathy Auld, with prayer done by Jerry Auld. Services are under the direction of Wooster Funeral Home. You may send a condolence to the family at www.woosterfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Family Visitation with Friends

NOV **10**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

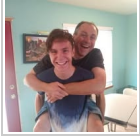
Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Elmore City)
105 S. Main
Elmore City, OK

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Foster Cemetery
Foster, OK

Tribute Wall



“*Being a part of Patsy’s family is an honor. The first time I met her was over 30 years ago when I was dating Shane. She hugged me and started talking to me like we had known each other for years. Over the years, she has always treated me with loving kindness. My favorite memory will always be the summer of 1998 when we took her and Grandpa to Yellowstone.*

Our very first stop on the way to Yellowstone, we took her and Grandpa to Steamboat Springs. They traveled with Grandpa’s family here when they were first married in 1953. It was fun to see them laugh and talk about being young. The car was filled with stories of places they camped, the foods they ate and that first grand adventure in married life. They were delighted to see Rabbit Ear Pass again after so many years and memories ago.

From Steamboat we traveled on some backroads into Wyoming. It was rainy and the rocky red dirt was slippery as we went down narrow forest service roads. Granny and I held hands in the back seat slightly terrified but giggling. Shane in the front followed Grandpa’s instructions through the wet slimy red mud just like he did when he was 11 and Grandpa let him drive the first time in the oil fields. It was a spine-tingling adventure for us all. Every time the car would slip or twist in the mud granny would say, “Shane, Shane” with hope that her voice would make the car straighten its path.

When we visited Yellowstone, Granny was in the beginning of her 60s. She had raised her children. She had even seen many of her grandchildren arrive at adulthood. She was in what some people might term the rocking chair stage of life. But oh, not our Granny. She was in Yellowstone. She wanted to see every animal. Walk every boardwalk. She was giddy with joy, curiosity and adventure every second of every moment we had there. She even packed her famous canned brisket that Shane raved about from his own childhood travels with his family and Granny. It was a glorious trip filled with geysers, awe, bears, amazement, waterfalls, laughter, and memories for our lifetime.

I look back and there are so many stories like these for me, my children, my husband, his siblings, his mother, and the rest of the family that belong to Patsy Downey Faulkinberry. Life was sweet and pleasant with this woman on our side. She was traditional, but fiercely modern. She was a softie but tough as nails.

“Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all.” Proverbs 31: 29

Love and comfort to everyone that loved Patsy Faulkinberry.

*Beverly Fry, wife of grandson Shane Fry
Fort Collins, Colorado*



Shane Fry - November 11, 2023 at 10:45 AM

JD

“ Patsy & I became close friends through our love for genealogy of the Downey Family and its roots in time. She was a passionate person, with strong feelings for her beliefs. I respected her for that. I also benefitted from her love for cooking, Woodys BBQ sauce, drop biscuits, crock pot cakes, chili and many more of those old, standby favorites we all grew up with.

One of my last telephone conversations with Patsy, will always be fondly remembered and bring a smile. I was sometimes hard to get in touch with mostly due to her "early to bed/early to rise" schedule. Consequently, when we would connect on a call, she took advantage. She ran out of stories to tell and said "Jerry, I can't think of anything else to talk about, so it's your turn to think of something!" I laughed out-loud before I could even respond.

Patsy was special, and unique. I will always love and remember her. Thank you Patsy, for sharing your life, your memories and making new memories with me.



Jerry Downey - November 10, 2023 at 09:57 AM

RW

“ I have many memories my favorites are when I was a child and we went and swam in the pool they made. I thought she was so cool to have a pool. I had so much fun that day. Second was when I was a young momma and newly married, we both shared a love of the goodwill and we developed a friendship that has lasted all these years even miles apart. I love her and will deeply miss her

Ronette Wallace - November 10, 2023 at 09:52 AM

SR

“ *The best grandma in the world! She always made sure everyone was fed. I would stuff myself with her cooking (mainly her biscuits and her fried potatoes!) and then she'd say, "Summer, go get some more!" She was always ready to share one of her recipes or an interesting story of her life growing up. She had sass and a heart of gold. I love and miss you so much, Mom. You must sparkle brilliantly up there with Grandpa Bob. You sure shone like a diamond down here.* ❤️

Summer Roberts - November 09, 2023 at 09:11 PM

AF

“ My Mom, Patsy.

When I was a child, Mom was always close by. Despite having 4 kids and looking after her dying mother at the same time, she was there, day and night, looking after us, washing our clothes (after she made them) and just being a great mom. It made me know that I was loved. Her obvious love for Daddy and his obvious love for her, made me feel safe.

Mom modeled faith, compassion, joy, patience and love. When my own children were young, she and Daddy were shining stars to my children, Shane, Breken and Bill. They couldn't have asked for better grandparents.

And talent... Talk about talent. Mom was full of talent and creativity in so many ways. Cooking, painting, singing, gardening, crocheting, you name it. She even had talent with new technology. She was a wizard with computers and she even loved playing PacMan with my kids. She was really amazing at so many things. Did I mention her amazing cooking?

She was also universally adored by nearly everyone she met. Shopkeepers and clerks, bank tellers and most others commonly knew her by name and considered her a friend. She could talk to anyone and her generosity was known by all.

Her great grandchildren, Jared, Ryan, Bridger, Nathan, Hudson, Felix and Greta will remember her sweetness and the gleam in her eyes when she played with them or told them stories. Our entire family has been honored to hear Mom's laughter, eat her delicious food and spend time sharing our lives on her porch in the sunshine and rain. We will honor and remember her forever.

The world was a better place with her beautiful soul and we will miss her deeply.

I love you Momma and Daddy.
Alletha

Alletha Fry - November 09, 2023 at 08:35 PM

AL

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Alletha - November 09, 2023 at 08:06 PM

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Alletha*

Alletha - November 09, 2023 at 06:38 PM

JF

“ *Patsy was a fantastic cook and loved a good recipe!! Many times she would call me just to give me a recipe!! She authored a cookbook and included recipes from all our family members!! She would write recipes down from cooks on television shows and be sure to pass them along!! There was always something in the kitchen that she had just made!! She could often be heard to say, "You better go eat" to anyone stopping by!! Your "favorite" daughter in-law loves you and will miss you greatly!!*

Joanna Faulkinberry - November 09, 2023 at 11:01 AM