



## Frances Bolin

May 26, 1921 - May 22, 2012

Frances Marie Bolin, 90, of Gentry, Arkansas, died May 22, 2012, at the Golden Girls Retirement Manor, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Born May 26, 1921, in Gentry, Arkansas, she was the daughter of Clement Jay Test and Jessie M. Glass Test. She was a retired beautician. Frances attended First Christian Church of Gentry, and was a member of the First Christian Women's Fellowship, 50 plus year member of the Order of the Eastern Star, plus past secretary of Gentry OES. She married Roy O. Bolin on August 18, 1940.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Edward and Joe Test; and by her grandson, Samuel Jay Bolin II.

Survivors include her husband of 71 years, Roy O. Bolin of Gentry; two sons, Jim Bolin and wife Jean of Newmarket, Ontario, and Sam Bolin and wife Sue of Springdale, Arkansas; one daughter, Donna David and husband Owen, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; five grandchildren; and eleven great grandchildren.

The family would like to express their appreciation to caregiver Sheri Simms for the wonderful job and unwavering care given to Frances.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 26, 2012, at First Christian Church, Gentry, Arkansas, with Reverend Danny Bice officiating. A private burial will be held. Memorial contributions may be made to First Christian Church, Box 399, Gentry, AR 72734, Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72762, or your favorite charity.



# Tribute Wall

ML

“ Aunt Frances was a lovely hostess to not only my family, but when my husband and I visited. Thank you for all you have done over the years, including sending the black walnuts.

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**Margaret & James Lohry** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

DH

“ I will always remember your mom as being a real lady; always helpful and caring. She always had time for me as a young child visiting Arkansas with my family. She had a great life and everybody loved her. A great hole is left with her passing. The best to you all.  
Love, DeeDee

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**DeeDee Hockett** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

MH

“ I was grateful she was well-matched to my brother and they had a loving relationship. She was a great comfort to me when my husband Charley died. God bless her and those of us she has left behind.

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**Martha Margaret Bolin Hunt** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

VB

“ Aunt Francis always made me feel so welcome during our visits. I still cherish a ceramic poinsettia candy dish she had made and gave to me about 40 years ago. Every year she remembered my birthday and sent me a card, such a loving and caring lady!

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**Valerie Bolin** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

MF

“ Roy and family,

*My prayers are with you.*

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**Maxine Foster** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

MJ

“ *My sympathy and prayers go out to Sam and the Bolin family on your loss. I know she had a long and good life that tailed off towards the end, but having been through the loss of my parents, I also know you're never fully ready. May you know the peace that passes understanding through these days.*

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**Mickey Jackson** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

MT

“ *I am so sorry. Please accept my deepest condolences.*

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**Margaret Taylor** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

EG

“ *I will never forget the first time I brought my little granddaughter to church for the first time. Frances took her hand and led her to the nursery & took care of her during the church service, which was so unusual since my granddaughter didn't go to strangers. I will miss Frances for her beautiful singing, the delicious food she brought to the fellowship dinners, but most of all for the Godly example that she was. She will be missed terribly, but I'm rejoicing for her now that she has her race run.*

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**Ellen Gibbs** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

CR

“ Aunt Frances was a wonderful hostess to our family, so calm and kind. She always had a blackberry cobbler on the stove and understood that comfort food actually did provide comfort. I remember feeling terrible about spilling iced tea on her carpet and she calmly gave me the 409 to take care of the problem. She was a tremendous comfort when our father died at her house. Thank you for all the black walnuts sent over the years and for her warmth and patience.

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**Catherine Hunt Ruddy** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

TP

“ Aunt Frances was the epitome of southern hospitality. When the seven Happy Hunts would descend on Aunt Frances and Uncle Roy, Aunt Frances never missed a beat. She was always warm and gracious making sure we had everything we needed, especially blackberry cobbler. No one can come close to her blackberry cobbler.

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**Terria and Craig Peytoon** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

RS

“ I do not remember a time when I did not know Frances. She and Roy were always there, always a part of my growing up in the Christian church and always there when I would return. I loved her quirky sense of humor! My fondest memories are the days when she and my mother, Inez, would sing together. The song that I most remember is "It Took A Miracle"..... "It took a miracle to put the stars in place; It took a miracle to hang the world in space. But when He saved my soul, Cleansed and made me whole, It took a miracle of love and grace!" She will be greatly missed. Love and prayers for all the family....

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**Rita Couch Sherman** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

MW

“ We have such good memories of this wonderful lady. She will certainly be missed by all.

Martha and Joe Walker - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

AF

“ Sam,  
You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother. May God grant you peace and precious memories of her.

Alan Fortenberry - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

GG

“ Frances was like a second mother to me. She was always kind, loving and thoughtful. I loved her for so many reasons but her sense of humor was such a delightful part of who she was and Frances was blessed with that right to the very end of her life. My oldest daughter, Tami, has that same loving kindness towards others that her Grandmother Bolin had and my youngest daughter, Lori, has her Grandmother Bolin's beautiful blue eyes and the gift of being that special friend to those that are dear to her. I pray that God will provide comfort to Roy, Jim, Donna and Sam as they go through this difficult time. I also pray that God will put his loving arms around all of Frances' grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They all loved her so much and she will truly be missed.

Glenda and M.L. Gold - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

LC

“ Dear Bolins,  
Frances leaves a great legacy for her family and friends. I remember her gracious smile. And she picked a real good guy to spend her life with. She was a blessing to our lives. Thanks, and love you all.

Deanna Smith

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**Larry and Judy Clinkscales** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

IC

“ Sure will miss Frances. We enjoyed the years of fellowship & music and  
"heaven's looking sweeter all the time."

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**Inez Couch** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

RH

“ We will not be able to be at Sister Francis memorial but want you to know we are there in spirit. She was a dear friend to my family growing up and continued to be a dear friend through my married life also! She brought some great food to my door through the years! Her love for our Gentry OES was obvious in her work as secretary and in service. Her shoes are very hard to fill and will never be the same as when she was with us. Prayers and love to all of you!

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**Rita & Daryl Hopkins** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

BB

“ We have had the pleasure and blessings to know Frances since we moved to Gentry some years ago. She always had a smile and kind word for everyone. To know her was to love her and her sweet ways. Heaven has a beautiful addition with her there now. May the Lord bless and sustain you all, her beloved family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Brenda Bailey** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

RG

“ To: The Bolin Family. May you find comfort and strength in the memories of your love one.

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**Rosemary Gaines** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

NH

“ Francis was a wonderful person. We shared the same grandkids and they were the light of her life. We will miss her. Our condolences to Roy and family.

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**Neil & Helen Haskin** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM

BS

“ Roy and Family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**Belinda Londagin Shetlar** - September 19, 2012 at 11:34 AM