



Mary Ratcliff

November 5, 1925 - March 27, 2005

Mary Lou Ratcliff, 79 year-old resident of Rogers, Arkansas, died March 27, 2005, at Beverly Healthcare Nursing Home in Rogers, Arkansas. Born November 5, 1925 in Cleveland, Tennessee, she was the daughter of Charlie Faye Henson and Sallie Frazier Henson. She was an executive secretary for Carrier Air Conditioning Company in Syracuse, New York prior to moving to Northwest Arkansas in 1990. She was an antique doll collector and dealer and was a well-known authority and lecturer on Rose O'Neill and Kewpie Dolls. Mary Lou was a member of the First Baptist Church, Bentonville, Arkansas. She married Edwin Ratcliff on August 22, 1964. She was preceded in death by her husband Edwin, February 23, 2004 and one sister, Nellie Henson Pafford. Survivors include two sisters, Jimmie Sue Fish of Richmond, Virginia and Joyce Mundy Bragg of Richmond, Virginia; one step-son, Rick Ratcliff of Maryland; one step-daughter, Kathy Patterson of Gentry, Arkansas; and three nieces and one nephew. A graveside service will be held 3:00 p.m., Friday, April 1, 2005, at Fairmount Cemetery, near Gentry, Arkansas, with Rev. Roger Robins officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

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“ *My daughter and I were in a Doll Club with Mary Lou. She was a wonderful friend and teacher. She knew so much about dolls and we were just learning. We kept in touch for a short time after she left Syracuse, but then we did not hear from her.*

We will always be grateful for knowing her and enjoying her company. We are saddened by her death.

Barbara Olum - September 19, 2012 at 11:33 AM

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“ *We held Mary Lou's great gift of sharing her wealth of knowledge about all types of dolls with us..as well as with the Doll World..I have all of her articles published in the Doll Reader and she had the reputation of being a very reliable source of information. She was very hospitable and caring..and is a precious sister in the Lord Jesus Christ. Anne Hanna(Mrs. Fred Hanna)*

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