



Reta Irene Foster

September 8, 1933 - May 1, 2025

Reta Irene Foster, age 91, passed from this life into the arms of her Savior, Jesus Christ, on May 1, 2025.

Reta Addington was born on September 8, 1933, in Gravette, Arkansas to Henry and LeOla (Brown) Addington. She was the fifth of six children and grew up in Decatur, Arkansas.

In High School, Reta was known for her athletic ability. She played for four years on the varsity girls basketball team, serving as Captain her Senior year. Also, in her Senior year, she was “high point man” 18 out of 22 games and was voted “Best Girl Athlete.”

Reta worked in the office of Peterson’s Industries after graduation and then moved to Siloam Springs to work at Bratt-Wasson Bank. It was in Siloam Springs that she met Leroy Foster on a double date and after dating for a while, she ultimately ended up moving to Kansas City to live with an aunt so she could be close to Leroy who had earlier moved to Kansas City to attend Refrigeration School. Reta and Leroy married on December 24, 1955. They moved back to Siloam Springs permanently in 1960.

Reta Went to work for Arkansas State Bank in 1967. She worked there for 29 years serving as teller, secretary and Vice-President before retiring in 1996. She was known and loved by many customers for her friendliness and genuine caring.

In her retirement, Reta volunteered at the Manna Center, served on the Housing Authority Board for 20 plus years and served in different capacities in

her church. She was blessed to have participated in the Heart of the Ozarks (Walk to Emmaus). Her Faith was very strong and evident in the way she lived her life.

Reta was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Doral, Arlie and Norval "Babe" Addington, all of Decatur, Arkansas; sister, Aneta Pace, of Wilmar, Arkansas; husband, Leroy; son, Clint of Charlottesville, Virginia; infant son, Roger.

She is survived by her daughter, Diane (Terry) Brown of Siloam Springs, Arkansas; daughter-in-law,, Betsy Foster of Charlottesville, Virginia; sister, Alice Meeks of Siloam Springs, Arkansas; grandchildren; Leslie (Martha) Brown of Gravette, Arkansas, Landon Brown of Springdale, Arkansas, Lindsey Brown of Springdale, Arkansas, Cassidy Foster of Seattle, Washington, Graham "Rowan" Foster of Northern Virginia; great granddaughter, Audrey Brown of Gravette, Arkansas, and many nieces and nephews and beloved friends.

A memorial service will be held at First Christian Church on May 9, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Visitation will be from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Those unable to attend may view the service live on Wasson Funeral Home Facebook page. In Lieu of Flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Special thanks to Dr. Stephen Rosenfeld, Siloam Springs Nursing and Rehab and Circle of Life Hospice.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church
1405 W. Jefferson
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Memorial Service

MAY 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SM

“ I remember as a child in the 70s visiting Great Grandma Foster and Aunt Reta/Uncle LeRoy next door many times. Reta was always so kind and ensured that her son, Clint, would spend some time entertaining his younger cousin. Great memories of a great lady!

Shannon McNamar - May 09, 2025 at 03:20 PM

JB

“ Such a beautiful lady! I had the pleasure of working wth Retail for many years at ASB. she had the love and respect of all who knew her. She will be missed. Prayers for her family.

Joyce Bailey - May 09, 2025 at 02:52 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Reta Irene Foster.



May 08, 2025 at 09:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Reta Irene Foster.

May 08, 2025 at 09:37 AM

KD

“ Karen Davis lit a candle in memory of Reta Foster



Karen Davis - May 08, 2025 at 09:33 AM

JB

“ As a kid years ago I would see Mrs. Foster at the bank. Later on I would stop at Foster Refrigeration to the air conditioning checked. Some times I would see her there. The weekend they where always going to a car show.

Jerry Bagby - May 08, 2025 at 08:51 AM

VK

“ I worked with Reta for 20 years or so at ASB. Sure was a sweet lady and I enjoyed knowing her. 😊 Praying for the Family. Knowing she's home with Jesus is great blessing. Will enjoy memories until we see her again!

Vidella Ketcher - May 05, 2025 at 01:19 PM

SJ

“ A very sweet lady. She always had a kind smile for everyone and for me whenever we met. Sorry for your loss.

Shirley Jackson - May 04, 2025 at 11:31 AM

RO

“ Reta was a beautiful lady and a precious friend. Our entire community loved her and Leroy. They were a highly admired couple.

Roger & Delores Osbourn - May 03, 2025 at 04:08 PM



So sorry for your loss she was a nice lady

Vicki Hopping - May 17, 2025 at 12:19 PM