



## Bonita Fay Osmon

May 31, 1947 - April 8, 2020

On Wednesday, April 8, 2020, Bonita Fay Osmon, 72, of Fayetteville, AR, was called to her Heavenly home. Bonnie was born May 31, 1947, in Oakland, CA. She shared her birthday with her twin sister, Kay, until they decided to start alternating birthdays around 1995.

In 1958, the twins and their mother, Berniece Loree Cole, moved to Bald Knob, AR, with their father John Robert “Bob” Cole. The transition from California to Cole Corner was a big one, but Bonnie adapted quickly and grew to love being a farmer’s daughter. She began attending Bald Knob Schools as a sixth grader and was a 1965 graduate of Bald Knob High School.

In June 1965, Bonnie married Paul Osmon. They have two children, Sandra Kay and John Robert Osmon. Throughout their long marriage, the couple made their home in Fayetteville, AR; Borger, TX; Mooringsport, LA; Shreveport, LA; Little Rock, AR; Siloam Springs, AR; and Baum Stadium.

Bonnie was a lifelong learner. She obtained a Bachelor of the Arts in Educational Psychology and a Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy. Later, she earned a Doctorate in Family Studies. This accomplishment was often a source of bragging rights for her mother. Bonnie was instrumental in facilitating the licensure for Marriage and Family Therapists in Arkansas. She enjoyed a full professional career and ended that as a teacher at John Brown University.

Of all her titles and certifications, the one she cherished most was that of “Grandma Bunny.” During their retirement years, she enjoyed traveling to visit

her children and grandchildren, playing music with Paul and friends, and raising chickens and goats. Bonnie attended New Heights Church and took turns hosting a small group Bible study in her home.

Anyone who knew Bonnie knew that she loved God, her family, making music, and the Razorbacks.

She is survived by her husband of almost 55 years, Paul Osmon; her daughter Sandy Osmon (Keith) of Portland, OR; her son John Osmon (Becky) and granddaughters Jonatha "Jonny" and Josephine "Josie" of Austin, TX; her twin sister Kay Cole Jameson (Gary) of Bald Knob, AR and many friends and fellow musicians.

She was preceded in death by her parents Bob and Berniece Cole. The family will hold a private burial at this time. They will host a celebration of Bonnie's life at a later date. Arrangements under the direction of Powell Funeral Home, Bald Knob-Judsonia. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net).

# Tribute Wall

BC

“ I'm so sad to hear of Bonnie's passing. I enjoyed playing music with her and Paul and even got to camp with them one year at Winfield. She was a wonderful soul and I always admired her spark for life.  
Brandy Conyers

Brandy Conyers - April 26, 2020 at 02:22 PM

BM

“ Bobby & Sue McAdams lit a candle in memory of Bonita Fay Osmon



Bobby & Sue McAdams - April 25, 2020 at 03:22 PM

AC

“ Love and prayers to Paul, Sandy, John, Kay, and the rest of Bonnie's sweet family. She loved you all sooo very much and was proud of each of you. Bonnie was a very special friend to me and I love her dearly. My heart breaks that we no longer will get have our talks about 'life' and play twin fiddles together.. Maybe one day.....

Alice Craig - April 15, 2020 at 03:28 PM

JO

“ 3 files added to the album Robert ‘Bob’ Cole with his daughters



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**John Osmon** - April 14, 2020 at 12:12 AM

TC

“ Sandy, I am sending my deepest condolences to you and your family. Warm hugs to you.

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**Tina Cogdill** - April 13, 2020 at 08:07 PM

CM

“ Connie Morris lit a candle in memory of Bonita Fay Osmon



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**Connie Morris** - April 13, 2020 at 03:21 PM

CM

“ I was blessed to marry into this wonderful family and Bonnie became my aunt. She was such a joy to know and I was proud to call her friend.  
I cannot imagine a world without Bonnie Cole Osmon. But Heaven is where she wanted to be.  
Rest in love Aunt Bonnie

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**Connie Morris** - April 13, 2020 at 03:20 PM

TP

“ *Terri Pate lit a candle in memory of Bonita  
Fay Osmon*



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**Terri Pate** - April 13, 2020 at 01:16 PM