



## Marie Goff Roberts

November 4, 1928 - May 17, 2012

Marie Goff Roberts was born in Harrisburg, AR to Winnie (Dill) and Ed Goff on November 4, 1928. She is survived by three sons, Owen (Rhonda) Roberts of Bald Knob, Troy (Debbie) Roberts of Bald Knob, and Brad (Debbie) Roberts of Pleasant Plains, one brother, W.D. "Dub" (Ann) Goff of California, and sister-in-law, Mary Overman, of Texas. Marie loved her 9 grandchildren: Bradi Roberts, Stephanie (Clay) Jobe, LaTasha (Clyde) Johnson, Rachel (Jeremy) Goldman, Ryan Roberts (fiancé Amber Bock), Wesley (Ashlee) Roberts, Kyli (Jarrett) Hamrick, Brent Roberts, and Ashley Roberts (fiance' Justin Steed). She was equally proud of her 14 great-grandchildren: Levi Jobe, Sydney and Taylor Pickard, Jacob Goldman, Brendan, Maddy, and Nicholas Roberts, Asher, Tayden, and Daxon Hamrick, Bryson and Haidyn Steed, Andrea Johnson, and Keegan Bock. She is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Will of 52 years, 7 brothers, Fred, Art, Richard, Calvin, Edward, Guy, and Clarence, and sister, Nina Mae.

Marie was a dedicated faculty member of the Bald Knob School District for 50 years, teaching 2nd grade for 37 years and substituting for 13 years. During that time, she impacted the lives of thousands of students and is best known for her ability to teach reading. Marie was the first Bald Knob Elementary Teacher of the Year, nominated for the Arkansas Teacher of the Year, and a finalist for the National Teacher Hall of Fame. She was one of the Bulldogs

biggest supporters, often traveling hours to watch Bald Knob athletic teams compete across the state. Marie rarely missed games. Because of her love for education, and Bald Knob Schools, nine family members followed the trail she blazed and became involved in education.

In addition to her love of the Bulldogs, Marie was an avid Razorback fan, annually spending springs in Dallas at the Southwestern Conference basketball tournaments and falls at Razorback Stadium cheering for the football team.

Most importantly, Marie epitomized a Christian. Her strong faith inspired her family and friends. She faithfully served at the First Assembly of God in Bald Knob for over 50 years. Marie taught the Adult Ladies' Sunday School class for most of that time.

Marie entered eternal life on Thursday, May 17, 2012, but the memories she made with her family and friends on Earth will continue to live on. Her impact on the countless she touched will never be forgotten.

Memorials can be made to the First Assembly of God in Bald Knob or the Bald Knob Education Foundation.

Visitation is Friday from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at Powell Funeral Home. Funeral services are Saturday at 4:30 p.m. at Powell Funeral Home Chapel with interment to follow at Shady Grove Cemetery.

Arrangements by the Powell Funeral Home of Bald Knob-Judsonia. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)

# Tribute Wall

TC

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a sweet & kind lady to all. And good teacher. My prayers will be with you all.

Teresa Cloyes - February 10, 2016 at 04:19 PM

KP

“ Ms. Marie was a wonderful lady and she did enjoy going to all of the sporting events. My favorite memory will be when I got to bring her home after our family had celebrated the holiday out at Brad and Debbie home. I just love that time that I got to spend with her because we just talk about everthing from when I had her in school to when my son Tyrel had her. I will always have those memories in my heart. Kelly Pace friend

Kelly Pace - February 10, 2016 at 04:19 PM

JH

“ I remember when the family lived in Sparkman .my mom and the Roberts family were very close.all us kids playing at their grandmothers house by the post office. she was a wonderful person . now she and mama are in Heaven together. prayers from the Crouse family.

Judy Howell - February 10, 2016 at 04:19 PM

RN

“ Owen, Troy, Brad and family, so sorry for your loss. She is now with your Dad and Jesus. I have fond memories; whether on the morning rides to school or little league baseball, she was always a supporter. Rick

Rick Newberry - February 10, 2016 at 04:19 PM

VB

“ Dear Owen and Rhonda: Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Love,  
Valerie and family and Mom (Kathryn Odom)

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Valerie Brackman - February 10, 2016 at 04:19 PM

CD

“ I am so sorry to hear of the death of Marie. I am one of Roberts family cousins. Marie and I became good friends one summer when we both rode to Henderson together and took one of the same classes. If I had not be able to study with her I'm not sure I would have passed that course. Not only was she a help to me that summer she became a very good friend. I'm sorry that we have not been able to keep in touch over the years but I'll never forget her and William.

I will continue to remember the family in pray.

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Carolyn Gaston Daws - May 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ This earth has lost a wonderful Lady but Heaven has gained one. I will always think of Mrs. Marie Roberts with love and admiration. She was a wonderful and understanding teacher to all her students and yes and exceptional reading teacher. My children were the recipients of her expertise and love and understanding of her students. I will always be truly grateful to her. Prayers of comfort for all her family. She is now God's Treasure that he has reclaimed.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her.

May she rest in peace. Amen

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Judy Freppon Muckelberg - May 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM