



Rachel Frances Butler

November 13, 1928 - November 26, 2010

Rachel Frances Butler, 82, of Rose Bud, Arkansas, died Friday, November 26, 2010 in Heber Springs. She was born November 13, 1928 in Bay, Arkansas a daughter of the late Lindsey and Sara Nancy Elizabeth Sanders Coleman. She was a farmer, homemaker and had dedicated her life to her family. She is survived by her children, Allen, Clark and Jeff VanDon, Joan Bufford and Nancy Adkins; step-children, Jack, Larry, Junior, John, Bob and Danny Butler, Linda Griffin, Carolyn and Liz Butler, Sandra Chavez and Virginia Tate; sisters, Betty Dickens and Zine Ashley; 27 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Burl Butler; sisters, Eddie Kinmen, Ollie Whitlock, Lizzy Buchannan and Mary Sanders; brothers, Cecil Whitlock and Lindsey Coleman. Visitation will be Monday, 6-8 p.m. Services will be held on Tuesday, November 30, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at the Powell Funeral Home Chapel in Bald Knob. Interment will be in the Velvet Ridge Cemetery by Powell Funeral Home, Bald Knob-Judsonia. www.powellfuneralhome.net.

Tribute Wall



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. You know she was family to each one of us. We love you all and wish we could be there with you. She was a wonderful person and will be missed greatly. With all our love. Cathy, Lois and family.

November 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts,prayers and all my love to all of you. Your Mom was a Mom to me also and I will always love her dearly and keep her in my heart. She was such a selfless person and always did for others before herself. We have so many good memories of her. The last time I saw her was on our vacation to Tennessee. All she wanted to do was go to Dollywood and she got her wish. I was glad I was there with her. She is in such a better place and once again reunited with her wonderful husband. May peace be with you at this time. I love you all and wish I could be there with you to put my arms around you. Love you Mom forever and always!!

November 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear about the death of your grandmother. I know this must be a very difficult time for all of you. I will be praying for all of you. "And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

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“ *My heart goes out to all of Rachel's children and grandchildren and those closest to her.*

I got to know quite a bit about her in the past few years and one thing was clear from our first phone call....she DEEPLY loved her kids. She had a strong love for family.

I know, I, for one, am going to miss picking up the phone to talk to her, so I can only imagine how hard her loss must be to those closest to her.

She also spoke to me often about her love for Burl and just a couple of weeks ago reflected on her love for him and expressed how she still missed him.

As hard as her loss is, knowing she is with him now makes me smile a little. Knowing she is not hurting anymore brings some comfort. Knowing she gave what she could and left a trail of love makes me feel privileged to have known her and glad we were family.

She was a special person to me. Know that I will be thinking of all of those that loved her and feel her loss in the days and months ahead.

She is only away right now and a piece of her lives in each of you. Lean on one another to help get you through the times of grieving. May you soon find peace in God's love and in your treasured memories of Rachel.

My love to all of you, Kathie

November 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM