



## Betty J. Raps

January 22, 1937 - November 14, 2012

Betty Jo Raps was born January 22, 1937 in Bates County, Missouri to Christopher Cox and Gladys (Dickerson) Cox. Betty went to be with her heavenly Father on November 14, 2012. Betty loved her grandkids and enjoyed bragging about each one of them. Betty had a huge influence on each of her grandkids. She taught them special skills whether it was how to look mighty pretty, frying squirrel, cleaning a duck, gardening, planting flowers, or making desserts. Without a doubt Betty made the best noodles in the world. Betty loved to cook for her family, go fishing (she said she held the family record for catching the biggest fish, that was her story and she was sticking to it). She enjoyed working in her flower beds, going out on the boat at the lake, going to get pedicures and manicures, and in her later years, she began studying God's word in depth. Each of her grandchildren had a special place in her heart!

Betty was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Ruth Grimes; and her husband, the love of her life, Paul.

She is survived by one son, Russel Gillis and wife Colleen of Butler, Mo.; one daughter, Brenda Swaidner and husband Dale of Muskogee, OK.; four grandchildren, Pamela Bolling and husband Chris of Adrian, MO., Brian Gillis and wife Hailey of Rich Hill, MO., Jason Swaidner of Fort Gibson, OK., and Ashley Swaidner of Tulsa, OK.; four great grandchildren, Haley Bolling, Dani Bolling, Cooper Gillis, and Sadie Gillis; four nephews, Wayne Grimes, Jim Grimes, Jerry Grimes, and Allen Grimes; sisters-in-law, Doris Null and

husband Marvin, Betty Lemon and husband E.C., Patty Higginbottom and husband Moe; one brother-in-law Albert and wife Bobbi; several cousins and many special friends at Dogwood Creek.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 National Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 15. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Service

NOV 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel  
1830 N. York St.  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty J. Raps*

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October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM