



Betty Mae Lewis

July 7, 1929 - December 18, 2025

Betty M. Lewis, 96, of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully on December 18, 2025.

Betty was born on July 7, 1929, in Anthony, Kansas, to Charles R. Houser and Reba Helen Houser (Carter). She was raised on a farm near Anthony, where she developed a strong work ethic, deep faith, and a lifelong commitment to helping others. She grew up with two brothers and two sisters, all of whom preceded her in death.

Betty attended a country school through the eighth grade and later graduated from Anthony High School. She was raised in the Presbyterian Church, where she attended Sunday School and helped teach young children. Her faith remained an important part of her life, and she continued to support church and Bible school activities throughout the years.

As a young woman, Betty planned to attend college in Edmond, Oklahoma, or business school in Wichita, Kansas. While living in Anthony, she met Vernon "Buck" Lewis, and the two were married on February 22, 1948. After their marriage, they lived for several years in Parsons, Kansas, before moving to other communities.

Betty and Buck were deeply involved in civic and youth organizations.

Together, they helped organize Rainbow Girls in Oswego, Kansas, and the Meadow View Falcons 4-H Club at Meadow View School in Parsons, Kansas. Betty was active in numerous organizations over the years, including Eastern Star, where she served in several chairs; White Shrine (Beta Kappa), where she served as Vice President; and Xi Gamma Zeta, where she held many leadership roles. These included Treasurer, City Council Committees member, Publicity and Scrapbook Chairman, Yardstick Chairman, Budget Chairman, and Social and Program Chairman. She also served as Social Chairman, Pledge of the Year Chairman, and participated in the selection of a Valentine Queen.

Betty dedicated many years to her professional life as well. She worked for Dr. Gerard, D.D.S., in Dewey, Oklahoma, for 12 years. She later worked for Hopper Realty Company under Ramona Hopper for six years. In June 1988, she joined McAnaw & Wright Realtors as an Office Manager. The company later became McAnaw & Company and then McAnaw & Company Realtors in 2002, where she continued her work with dedication and professionalism.

Throughout her life, Betty was known for her reliability, organizational skills, kindness, and willingness to serve. Whether through her church, community organizations, or professional career, she gave generously of her time and talents.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Reba Houser; her two brothers and two sisters; her beloved husband, Vernon "Buck" Lewis; her daughter, Elvera Marie Montee; her daughters-in-law, Sharon Lewis and daughter-in-law Traci Johnson.

She is survived by her son Craig Lewis (Jodi); her daughters, Sandra Lewis, and Debbie Riley (Jim), son-in-law Rob Montee; and several grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren.

Betty will be remembered for her quiet strength, steady leadership, faith-filled life, and devotion to family and community. Her legacy lives on in the many lives she touched.

Cemetery Details

Mt Hope Cemetery

6150 Kingman Rd
Galesburg, KS 66740

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

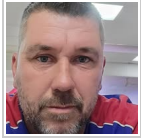
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ I used to have so much fun bowling with Betty on Wednesday nights. I'll never forget the time she hired me to do something at her house and I took my 4 year old daughter Reese with me. Reese wanted to hear a story about every rooster in the house so one by one Betty told her a story for probably close to 2 hours. Betty was a good woman.

Marc Shroyer - January 02 at 08:42 PM

DO

“ Donna purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Betty Mae Lewis.



Donna - January 02 at 01:17 PM

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“ Donna planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Mae Lewis.

Donna - January 02 at 01:17 PM

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“ I’ll always remember Mom with a smile on her face, her humor, her quirky poems, her love for square dancing, bowling, shopping, decorating for the holidays especially Christmas and always dressing to the “T” and matching from head to toe and so much more.

Mom believed in God and I believe she lived a very Christian life reading and obeying the gospel and the 10 Commandments.

I’ll always remember the times mom and I had together and with family. Going to Branson for years with the church to watch the Christmas tree lighting at Silver Dollar City; going on trips together, like, Europe and Hawaii and York, Nebraska where we dressed up in our 70’s hippie costumes.

I have so many good memories and happy times with mom. I don’t remember mom ever having a cross word, of course, she always had dad do the disciplinary stuff. She’d say “wait ‘till your father gets home!” But a lot of times she either forgot or just simply let it go. Mom was so special; we loved her so much and we’ll always and forever love her!

I’d like to end with this: When tomorrow starts without mom try to understand that an angel came and called her name and took her by the hand. The angel said her place was ready in Heaven far above and that she’d have to leave behind all those she dearly loved. And when she walked through Heaven’s Gates, she felt so much at home for God looked down, smiled at her and told her “Welcome Home”. So when tomorrow starts without her don’t think you’re far apart for every time you think of her, she’s right there in your heart.

Never Alone, Never Forgotten, Ever In Our Spirits! Love you, mom, forever and always!

Sandra Lewis - January 01 at 10:20 AM

KS

“ Kathy and Steve purchased the *Pretty Please* for the family of Betty Mae Lewis.



Kathy and Steve - December 31, 2025 at 07:36 PM

LD

“ Love Always The Morrissions Renee, Alan and Debbie planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Mae Lewis.

Love Always The Morrissions Renee, Alan and Debbie - December 30, 2025 at 01:47 PM

SF

“ Sheree, Vince and Linda Miller families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Mae Lewis.

Sheree, Vince and Linda Miller families - December 27, 2025 at 05:17 PM

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“ Sheree, Vince and Linda Miller families purchased the *Beautiful Dreams* for the family of Betty Mae Lewis.



Sheree, Vince and Linda Miller families - December 27, 2025 at 05:17 PM