



Eltha "Elsie" Sweat Rosser

January 26, 2014

Eltha "Elsie" Sweat Rosser age 97 of Harriman passed away Sunday January 26, 2014 at the home of her daughter. Preceded in death by her husband, O.D. Rosser, sisters, Pearl Lenoir, Nora Blankenship, Willie Dunn & Carrie Valentine, brothers, Oscar, Troy, Leamon, Hobert, Garret, Jess, & Simon Sweat. She was a member of South Harriman Baptist Church who loved her Sunday School Class, neighbors and fishing.

Survivors

Son Max Rosser of Harriman

Daughter Jerry & Gene Eblen of Kingston

Grandson Travis Hall & wife Erin & great granddaughter Bronwen of
Townsend

Extended grandchildren Dwight (Joanna)

Chuck (Missy)

Special great grandchildren Chance, Brasher, Jordon, Madison & Drew Eblen

Sister Lula Cox of Monroe MI

Special friends Judy Scarbrough West & Regina Hall Webster, Sam Hickman

The family will receive friends from 6-8 PM Wednesday January 29, 2014 with funeral to follow at the Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman. Interment in Willard Park Cemetery Thursday at 2PM. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the Roane County Animal Shelter 296 Manufacturer's

Rd Rockwood, Tn 37854 in remembrance of Noodles, Elsie's constant companion of 16 years, and in honor of Tabitha the family cat.

Tribute Wall

LN

“ Oh my gosh! Elthie, Aunt Pearl, OD, Uncle Clyde, Jerry Lou, Max, Maude and all our relatives in Harriman!! Going to Harriman from Clinton was always such a treat from the time Susan and I were born! So many memories! Playing in the cemetery across from Elthies. What fun. I think we stole some flowers once! We were always up to no good. Our cuz, June, was there a lot too. She has come to visit us in California. Just a little history about mine and Susan's relationship to Elthie: Our mother was Flossie Skaggs Henderson. I believe she and Elthie were step-sisters. We lived in Clinton, Tn., not too far from Harriman. My worse memory of Harriman were the outdoor toilets! Pearl had a 2-seater! But as kids we didn't care. Dear dear Max and Jerry Lou, we are so sorry for your loss. I am so thankful we got to visit with all of you when we were there in 2004 to bury our mom, Flossie. So many wonderful memories.

Thinking of you and Max. Love you, Linda and Susan

Linda Skaggs Weber and Susan Skaggs - Hemet, CA - Niece - February 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Jere, Travis and Max, I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom and Nanny. She was a very good woman that I was honored to know. Like Travis, she also taught me some about fishing. I loved being around her because we would laugh alot. I know she will be missed greatly. I wish I could havve been there but because of the cold I stayed with mom and we talked about Elsie and the times we spent with her. Mom still has flowers from cuttings that Elsie gave her. They live in her memory. You are forever in our prayers. Love You

Sherri Maden Wyrick - Rockwood, TN - Friend - January 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I loved this lady, she was like my mother away from my home. I am friends with Jeri and was when we were growing up. I spent a lot of time at Jeri's house
I got to know Mrs. Rosser, like I say she seemed like a mom to me. She was a very kind and sweet person whom I grew to love a lot. I will always remember and love her.

Sharon W. Foust - Rockwood, TN - A very close friend, like a mom - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ We called her Aunt Elthie and she was special as she always recognized each of her nieces and nephews as the individuals they were. She'd look you in the eye and when she asked how you were doing, she meant it and waited for an answer. She was a great cook; her green beans or pintos were never duplicated. She was a very kind and gentle person. Max, Jerry Lou - I am so sorry for your loss. June

Carol June Reinbold - Charlotte, NC - Niece - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ As a nephew I have so many wonderful memories of my Aunt Eltha while spending my summers in Harriman with our Aunt Pearl and playing with Jerry and Max. Two I will always remember as special to me. Our Aunt Pearl always went to bed late, slept late and cooked late, Eltha knew this and felt sorry for me she would let me join them for dinner everyday at 4:00 When OD came home from work and we never let Pearl know as she would get mad we would laugh about it our secret. OD would make Jerry and Max go to bed at dark when he did just when we wanted to play. After he would fall asleep Jerry and Max would crawl out the bedroom window and we would play the night away. Aunt Eltha knew this but would never tell OD always pretended she didn't know because she wanted us to have fun. Jerry and Max very sorry for your lose but take comfort knowing she is in a better place in heaven and most likely sitting on a bank fishing.

Denny

Denny Russell - Durham, NC - nephew - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ What a sweet lady Eltha was. I remember her as a faithful member of South Harriman Baptist Church from when I was a little girl. It was an honor to be her Sunday School teacher years later. Though in past years she was unable to attend, she was never away from our hearts and prayers. I will always remember sitting at her house eating Amish friendship bread with her and how delightful she was to talk with. She was so loved by her family, who took care of her so very well. I've told many how when I visited her, whether seeing Judy care for her or Jerry and Gene, it was clear she was loved. She will be missed.

Joette Waddle - Harriman, TN - Sunday School Teacher - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ To Jeri and Max So sorry ..She had the best of care here on earth..Her daughter was one of the sweetest caregiver's for her Mother She and Max made sure her needs were met....She is in a better place she was such a sweet and beautiful person.R.I.P. My sweet friend..

Nita Cox - Kingston, TN - Friend - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ max&jerry,i am sorry for your loss.aunt elthie was a beautiful lady and I know she will be missed. I will remember you in my prayers. love,terry

terry sweat downs - knoxville, TN - aunt - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Max and family So sorry to hear about the loss of your mother she was a very sweet lady may GOD bring you comfort and strength in this difficult time.

Teresa Lively - Hixson, TN - Friend - January 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Max,sorry to here of your mother passing.

Darlene Swafford - Kwajalein - friend - January 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Aunt Eltha was a very special person to me, loved her dearly.

Bob & Lynn Sweat - monroe, MI - Eltha was my dad's sister - January 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Such a sweet lady. Her and my mother in law Edna Tate were best friends. I know they are celebrating a wonderful reunion in heaven!!*

diane tate - harriman, TN - January 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *Mom, Jeanette York (Troy Sweats daughter), relives her childhood time with you with great fondness. The buttered sweet potatoes after school and the games of 'tag'. You were more a sister to her than an aunt.*

Leo York - Claxton, TN - Grand Aunt - January 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM