



Mary Bonita Howard

October 5, 1932 - December 19, 2021

Mary Bonita Howard of Montgomery, Texas, died at her home on December 19, 2021. She was predeceased by her husband, Leonard, and her brother, Bobby Nutt. She is survived by her daughters, Madeline Pasha (Shane), and Elizabeth Lovell (Joe), and her grandchildren, Kerri Lovell and Logan Lovell. In addition, she is survived by her sister, Freddie Lipton, and nephews, Brad Nutt, Jay Lipton, and Michael Nutt.

Bonita was born on October 5, 1932 in Plantersville, Arkansas, to Fred and Veva (Groce) Nutt. She had the privilege of beginning her formal education at a small community school where her mother was the primary school teacher and her father had the duties of secondary teacher and principal. Later she graduated from Warren High School and the University of Arkansas at Monticello (Arkansas A & M) before receiving her Master's of Education at what was then Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe. Bonita served in many capacities as a professional educator for over 35 years, but she was also a lifelong learner and teacher. She truly enjoyed exploring different cultures and places and had a belief that life was a "grand adventure".

Friends and family will remember Bonita's quick wit and subtle sense of humor. She was not above playing tricks on the unsuspecting and kept us guessing with her "misleading" stories and not so obvious jokes. However, we will also remember that she supported our creativity, indulged our eccentricities, and provided a secure environment in which we could grow emotionally and intellectually. In return, she expected us to be kind and

generous and to live our lives with integrity. Bonita was a great sister, mother, and friend to us all. She will be greatly missed.

You may leave written condolences to her family at www.shmfh.com.

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