



Juanita Stewart Beall

June 27, 1917 - March 18, 2012

Juanita Stewart Beall, a devoted wife, loving mother, and dedicated grandmother and great-grandmother passed away after a long life. She died in her cottage on Tred Avon River at Londonderry Retirement Community in Easton, MD, on March 18. She was 94.

Born June 27, 1917, in Monroe, MS, she was the daughter of Julia Elizabeth Day and Edward Eugene Stewart. She moved to Magnolia, MS, at the age of four after her family home was destroyed by fire. She graduated from St. Mary's of the Pines in Chatawa, attended Mississippi State College for Women, where she met her husband, Benjamin S. Beall, III, of Lexington who was attending Mississippi State. She graduated from Maryville College of the Sacred Heart in St. Louis, MO, and received a Masters Degree in Social Work from the Newcomb College of Tulane University in New Orleans. Afterwards, Nita worked as a social worker and newspaper reporter in McComb, MS.

Nita married Ben on December 22, 1940. Nita and Ben resided for over 25 years in Bryn Mawr, PA, where he worked for General Electric while she raised four children. There she was a member of St. Thomas of Villanova parish and was involved with the League of Women Voters and various neighborhood and school organizations. Later they lived for more than 22 years in Lake Forest, IL, where she was a member of St. Mary's parish while Ben continued his career in the electrical and heating manufacturing

industries.

Upon retirement, Nita and Ben moved to Pass Christian, MS, on the Gulf Coast where they resided for over 20 years as members of St. Paul's parish and the Pass Christian Yacht Club until their home was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Nita loved the places where they had lived and the many places where they had traveled. They had a vacation condo in Steamboat Springs, CO, where Nita skied until she was 80, and a cottage on a key off Little Abaco in the Bahamas where she spear fished with friends and family, including her grandchildren, for 25 years.

Nita loved to play duplicate bridge, garden and to read. She is fondly remembered by her family for telling stories of life in Magnolia, one of which was the habit of calling the delivery stable and going to Mass on Sundays in a horse and buggy.

After the devastating loss from Hurricane Katrina, Nita and Ben moved to St. Michaels, MD, to be close to family on the Eastern Shore. Ben, her husband of almost 70 years, passed away in June of 2010. Nita, until her death, has been residing at Londonderry and was a parishioner at Sts. Peter and Paul in Easton and a member of Miles River Yacht Club.

Nita is survived by her four children: sons, Ben Beall IV (Millie) of Steamboat Springs, CO, with grandchildren Ben V. and Rodney; Stewart L. Beall (Bobbi) also of Steamboat Springs and grandchildren, Lindsey and Stewart Jr.; and daughters, Julia Beall Passyn (Theodore) of Trappe, MD, and grandchildren Andrew, Ted, Katherine, John, Benjamin, Julia, Juanita, Elizabeth, and Tallulah; and Juanita Edelmann, of Kaikoura, New Zealand and grandchildren Shayder and Gemma; and fifteen great-grandchildren. She is predeceased by a brother, Edward Day Stewart; a sister, Julia Day Neill; a grandchild, Michael Stewart Passyn; and a great-grandchild, Thomas Arthur Gravely, Jr.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, March 26, 2012, at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Easton at 11am, where a visitation will be held from 10am – 11am.

Interment will be at the Oxford Cemetery, Oxford, MD, next to her husband Ben.

Cemetery Details

Oxford Cemetery

Oxford, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
1210 South Washington Street
Easton, MD

Service

MAR 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Juanita Stewart Beall*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Juanita Stewart Beall*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Juanita Stewart Beall*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *As a classmate of daughter Juanita, I spent happy times in the Beall home with Nita and her family. They were always fun-loving, adventure-seeking and totally gracious, always. I think I experienced "cheese fondu" for the first time at their home in the mid-sixties! How wonderful that this family was able to enjoy their parents uncharacteristically long and how they must have all delighted in their times together. I send my condolences on their loss and ask God's blessing on them, especially my good friend from NDA, Nita.... Barbara Genest Boyle*

Barbara Genest Boyle - March 27, 2012 at 06:02 PM