



Mary Eathel Campbell Freeman

December 13, 1920 - March 23, 2012

Mary Eathel Campbell Freeman, age 91, of Cleveland, passed away Friday, March 23, 2012. She was born December 13, 1920 in Okay, Arkansas, a daughter of Benjamin and Besse Belle Ingram Campbell. Eathel was a lifetime member of Arkansas Retired Teachers Association, past Principal at Scotland High School, and taught 47 years in Education. She was a member of Cleveland Baptist Church and the widow of Arden William Freeman.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary Joyce Chism of Cleveland, and Janice Arden Roberts (Jim) of Sapulpa, Oklahoma; two sons, Gerald Freeman (Sharon) of Cleveland, and Darrell Freeman (Laura) of Dardanelle; nine grandchildren, Greg Freeman (Jennifer) of SanTan, Arizona, Karen Shaw (Edward) of Batesville, Arden Roberts (Joyce) of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Alan Chism (Corri) of Hector, Kenny Chism (Rachel) of Cleveland, Rosemary Norwood (Kip) of Morrilton, Tammie Shipp (Lynn) of Cleveland, Donna Wells of Danville, and Tommy Wells of Camden; nineteen great-grandchildren; seven great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 27, at the Harris Chapel with Rev. Gib Cole and Mr. Loyd Brents officiating. Burial will be at Liberty Springs Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. The family will receive friends from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday evening at the funeral home.

Pallbearers will be Kenny Chism, Alan Chism, Arden Roberts, Greg Freeman, Nick Norwood, Chris Roberts, Edward Shaw and Kip Norwood. Honorary Pallbearers will be Jesse Huffman and Claud Campbell.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Eathel Campbell Freeman*

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“ *The world lost a great lady, when "Mrs. Eathel" Freeman passed. I never think of school without thinking of her, and how she was always willing to help anyone who had a problem with any class, not just her classes. I first was in her class at Cleveland, in the 2 room school there, and last class with her was as a Senior at Wonderview. We kept in touch until she became too ill. I'll never forget her, and I'm sure many of her students feel the same.*

Jettie Henley Parrish - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM



“ *There is no way I can express my feelings for this wonderful lady and her family. I love her and her and her family dearly. There will always be a void in our lives as we go on through life. I will always remember and her family always. Mary Joyce did a wonderful job taking care for her during the last months and days that this dear person lived. You all have such lovely families and I will always know what each of you have meant to me.*

Jesse W. Huffman - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

JE

“ Miss Ethel was my favorite teacher at Wonderview-- I was in her algebra class the day John Kennedy was killed. I remember her going into great detail about history --she also taught history that year. She was always willing to help any student with any subject -- needless to say after 40+ years --she still has a special place in my heart and my education. God Bless and my best to her family...

Janelle Cox Erwin - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

AB

“ Mrs Eathel was a very special lady to me. I loved working the elections with her and lessioning to all the storys of her growing up. I learned a lot for her and I will miss her dearly. The elections will never be the same with out her. She was very dear to my heart. I am sadden to her of her passing on but I know this very special person is in heaven with our Lord and with outhier family that has already gone on. I love you so much and will miss you Mrs. Eathel.
R.I.P
We have a special Angel in heaven now.

Angela Bennett - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

NR

“ We are sorry for your loss.

Dennis, Nina, and Chris Roofe

Nina Roofe - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

JE

“ *Death leaves a heartache no one can heal
Love leaves a memory no one can steal*

From Eathel's book that I am so glad her grandson asked her to write, so that we can all have these treasured memories to read over at anytime:

*" I shall pass through this world but once.
Any good thing, therefore, that I can do,
Or any kindness that I can show any human being,
Let me not defer or neglect it,
For I shall not pass this way again..."*

"Aunt Eathel" definitely did not defer or neglect, as all of us can testify she did many good kind deeds.

As my Mom Lola has said, anytime she mentions that she is Eathel's niece, someone responds about how much Eathel meant to them. She touched so many lives in a positive way.

I know it will be a full house to celebrate her life, not only her large family, but her many friends. I am with all of you in my heart. No more "blue weeks" for our dear Eathel.

*"Our family is forever"
I love you Aunt Eathel,
Jeanne*

Seems odd someone I never knew imparts a memory I will never forget.

Steven

Jeanne and Steven Elardo - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

MJ

“ *So sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathies to you and your family.*

Mallie Jones - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

CB

“ I was so sad to read Mrs. Freeman's obituary in this morning's paper. My co-chair and I were so pleased she was able to attend the Half-Century celebration at UCA the fall of 2006 for our graduation from ASTC in 1956. She looked so pretty standing in front of me in our group picture. The few times I have talked with her on the telephone she was always so positive about life and her experiences. I was so blessed to have received a copy of her book. It is wonderful and I have read through it several times. I will be thinking about the family members as you all struggle to continue life without her.
Cecily cB

Cecily Coffelt Bullard - June 29, 2018 at 09:54 PM

SF

“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of such a wonderful lady. She was part of the great memories I had of Scotland School. I'm glad to of had her in my life. I am sorry for your loss, she will be missed very much.

Shirley Frye & family - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

PN

“ So sorry to hear of Mrs. Freemans passing. I had the opportunity to teach with Mary many years ago at Scotland High School. I remember she kept coming out of retirement to help out when she could. I think she held every certification there was, but it was her heart for the students and her greater community that I remember most. I know she will be missed and please know that your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Pamela Nacke - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

AG

“ I am so sorry to hear about your loss! Mrs. Freeman was my 7th grade English teacher at Scotland High School. After I became a teacher, she came to my classroom and observed me teaching, it really touched my heart when she told me that I was doing a wonderful job and to keep it up!!

April Gaecklein - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

CU

“ Rosemary and family, I am so sorry to hear of your grandmother's passing. Just know that you and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. Heaven has gained another angel.

Cindy Reynolds Upchurch - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

SS

“ Mrs Freeman was one of my teachers at Scotland High School. I repected her and like her very much. Her son Darrell was in my class. The family has my deepest Sympathy. She will be missed.

Sheliah Rhoads Stehle - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

PW

“ I only met Mrs. Freeman once with my sister Laura (Darrell's wife). She was a very nice and interesting lady. A great cook too!! :-) I wish I could have gotten to know her better. She will be greatly missed.

Peggy Welch - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

JO

“ *mary joyce I sure am sorry to hear about the loss. we had no idea about this until I just looked on here tonight please know that we are praying for yall and love yall.*

Donny, Josh, Bryan, Angela, Kaylee

Josh - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

CC

“ *Gerald and Mary and Family- I am so sorry for your loss... Thinking of you both and your families with Deepest Sympathy. Your are in my Prayers.*

With Love, Carolyn Cody.

Carolyn Cody - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM

BS

“ *What a wonderful lady, and important part of our Scotland/Cleveland community! The Freeman family has been a blessing to many lives in this area, and Ms. Eathel has personally impacted may folk in a positive way! She is a testament to what the term 'friend' means. She was a friend to all she met, and sought to bring out the best in everyone. Her book, 'Journey Of A Depression Kid' is very insightful to the happenings of that time of her life, and the life events of families around her. If you get a chance to read it, I recommend it. Blessings to her family in their loss.*

Bobby Smart - June 29, 2018 at 09:53 PM