



## Betty "Bee" A. Powderly

November 4, 1927 - January 24, 2016

Betty "Bee" A. Powderly, 88, of Miami, Oklahoma passed away in her home surrounded by family on Sunday, January 24, 2016. She was born on November 4, 1927 in Webb City, Missouri to Homer and Vinita Boyd. She married the love of her life, Joseph "Joe" Powderly, in 1945. She was a homemaker and also enjoyed working at Merle Norman in downtown Miami. She was a wife, a mom, a grandma and a great-grandma, all of which she took great pride in. Bee and Joe loved to search for antiques wherever the car would take them and loved to see the balloon festival in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She was part of various social clubs, loved to play bridge, go to girls night out and was an active member of The Methodist Church. She loved to knit blankets and took pride in every one she made. From baby blankets, to throws and bedspreads, she loved to sit each night and make every one of them. She is preceded in death by her parents Homer and Vinita Boyd and her husband Joe Powderly.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Shelby and Allen Spaur, grand-daughters, Laurie (Jered) Steen and Liz (Travis) Worth and two great-grandsons, Jackson and Jacob Steen.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, January 27, 2016 from 10:00am to 12:00pm at The First United Methodist Church chapel 200 B NW in Miami. Graveside services will then take place at 2:30 pm at Mount Hope Cemetery 3700 N Range Line Rd, Webb City, MO 64870 with Reverend Mark Rickman officiating. Services are in the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to The United Methodist Church, Miami, OK.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Bee's Tribute Page at [www.brown-winters.com](http://www.brown-winters.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Hope Cemetery - Joplin

3700 N Range Line RD  
Webb City, MO 64870

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church - Miami  
200 B NW  
Miami, OK 74354  
<http://www.fumcmiami.org>

## Graveside Service

JAN 27. 2:30 PM (CT)

Mount Hope Cemetery - Joplin  
3700 N Range Line RD  
Webb City, MO 64870

# Tribute Wall

CB


“ So Sorry for your loss Shelby. Sorry I couldn't make it. Praying for you to be strong though all this. I Love you. Keep in touch. You can find me on facebook (Christie Blalock) or e-mail: christieblalock@cableone.net. This is Christine Adkison Blalock.

Christien Adkison Blalock - January 27, 2016 at 11:02 AM

DW

“ Bee was a special lady. She had the gift of making you feel like family. Shelby, my thoughts are with you Remember all the precious memories. Love you

Dianna Wall - January 27, 2016 at 07:27 AM

 Doris Snyder

“ Bee was my friend and I will miss her. We enjoyed playing bridge, shopping, movies and had many good times over dinner. I admired her very much! I will think of her every time I knit.

Doris Snyder - January 26, 2016 at 07:04 AM

LB

“ I will never forget the road trips to their house on spring break and in the summers. I spent many days at the Spaur residence which led me to trips with Grandma Bee and Grandpa! Two of the best grandparents around. They always spoiled me and Liz on our road trips and every time on our way to Miami, OK we had to stop at the Golden Arches (McDonalds over the interstate) for lunch and a milk shake! I will cherish those memories always! My prayers and thoughts are with my friends (the Spaur family) during these hard times. RIP grandma Bee until we meet again at the Golden Arches!! Love, Lindsay Breidenthal Wadhams

Lindsay Breidenthal-Wadhams - January 25, 2016 at 09:56 PM

PA

“ Shelby, my brother (Bob Paul) always thought so much of your mother. He had a lot of great memories at your house with you and your parents. ....Patti Paul Abercrombie

PATTI PAUL ABERCROMBIE - January 25, 2016 at 07:10 PM

JS

“ *Shelby, Allen, Liz & Laurie,  
We are sending our deepest sympathy to you all with the passing of your Mom & Grandma. May you fill your hearts with the happy memories you had together and know that all of your friends and family are lifting you up in prayer during this difficult time.*



*With our love,  
Jen & Tom Schreier*

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**Jen Schreier** - January 25, 2016 at 02:18 PM

SA

*Shelby and family,  
We loved visiting with you mom and dad. Your mom shared stories of your families and Joe about every Sunday. We would see her out and she always had cute stories about the boys and bragged about the girls. She was so proud of her family. We seen our love and prayers. We will miss her very much.  
Don and Sheri Allen*

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**Sheri Allen** - January 26, 2016 at 09:57 PM

NK

*Dear Shelby, Allen, Laurie , Jered, Liz, Travis, Jackson and Jacob, 'Twas so many years ago but, at times it seems like was just a few weeks ago , that we met your Mother, Grandmother and Greatgrandmother thanks to Our Super Wonderful friends-in-common Marti & Ron ...that age-old adage about ' birds of a feather sticking together ' was demonstrated to b factual because Bee and Joe were ALSO SUPER AND WONDERFUL PEOPLE ....Unfortunately , the genesis of our relationship with Bee & Joe was tied to the untimely passing of Vinita, Bee's Mother . What a difficult time that was , however, even during their profound grieving period Bee and Joe wrapped themselves around others and demonstrated unique caring and generosity ! We are forever thankful that they shared some of Vinita's unique treasures with us ; even more so we treasure the memories of her mother as related at that difficult time along with the times-to-be that would be spent in their/our company with your beloved Mom, Dad, Grandma , Grandpa and Greatgrandma , Greatgrandpa you see, my mother was a bridge player like Bee , and my mother also had a deep love of all things Asian which directly connected us to Bee ....What a woman, what a friend , what a special person and role model Bee Powderly has imprinted on and etched within our hearts . Hugs and Love from Nancy and Jack Keller*

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**Nancy and Jack Keller** - January 26, 2016 at 11:03 PM