



Elizabeth (Libby) Mildred Doe

May 26, 1929 - November 2, 2021

Elizabeth (Libby) Mildred Doe, 92, of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, passed to her heavenly home on Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

Libby was born on May 26, 1929 in Millington, Michigan to Roy and Lucy (McInnes) Mowatt. She grew up in North Branch, Michigan and graduated valedictorian from North Branch High School. During high school she was active in a Bible study group, was in the marching band, sang in the choir, and was on the cheerleading squad. During her junior and senior year of high school she dated William (Bill) Doe, a varsity football and basketball player, and they married August 13, 1947.

Elizabeth and her husband, Bill, attended Owosso Bible college where Bill studied for the ministry. They faithfully served as pastors in Utica, North Lakeport, Pontiac and Lansing, Michigan. During that time she taught Sunday school and was a wonderful hostess for the evangelists visiting the church. She also served as the pianist and organist. During the summers she prepared and served meals at camp meetings. She also worked as a part time bookkeeper. For 10 years they resided in Flint, Michigan where Bill served as district superintendent of the East Michigan District of the Wesleyan Church. She grew up poor and with an absent father. She could not remember any store bought toys other than crayons and coloring books. She recalled getting a doll from a friend for her eighth birthday - the only doll she ever had. Her mother worked long hours to support her through high school. In spite of hardships throughout her life, she was not a complainer. She would often talk

of and thank God for her many blessings.

Music was a big part of her life - she played the piano, organ, trumpet, accordion, piccolo, flute and the French horn. She loved to sing and could be heard humming or whistling a song on many occasions.

Elizabeth was a committed wife and mother, however, she lost her dear husband at the young age of 50 after 30 years of marriage. She left Michigan in 1985 and moved to Bartlesville, Oklahoma. She took a position in the education department at Bartlesville Wesleyan College, where she worked until she retired in 1996. She was active in Bible study and Best Years Fellowship at First Wesleyan Church in Bartlesville.

She loved to knit and crochet, loved to read and do crossword puzzles.

Scrabble was her favorite game and for 10 years she played scrabble on Friday nights with her youngest son, Randy. She loved to achieve a triple word score and would always brag when she won the game.

She dearly loved and prayed for her children and grandchildren. She attended the high school graduations of all seven of her grandchildren. In her later years she loved to text her grandkids and look at photos of them on her iPhone (which she called her iPad). She liked to make birthday cards for her kids and grandkids as she was able and would sometimes write a special poem for them.

Aunt Libby was much loved by her extended family and friends. She usually received many, many birthday and Christmas cards - a testament to all the lives she touched. The last 15 years of her life she lived at Leisure Lane in Bartlesville and was much loved by her neighbors. She and some of those neighbors would help prepare and label weekend lunches for school children.

Elizabeth Doe is survived by her 3 children: a son, Denis Doe and his wife, Sheri of Bartlesville; a daughter, Denise Schmidt and her husband, Tom of Fremont, Michigan; and a son, Randy Doe of Caney, Kansas. She had 7 grandchildren - Jamie, Ryan, Taylor, Chris and Zachary; Jeffrey and Janell; and 9 great grandchildren - William, Tate, and Jack; Charles and Riley; Michael and Emily; Leah and Lucy and several nieces and nephews. All her

children, grandchildren and great grandchildren dearly loved this kind, wonderful woman of God and came to Bartlesville 2 years ago to celebrate with her on her 90th birthday.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Doe; her brothers - Francis Friday and Hugh Mowatt; her sisters - Ilah Patrick and Evelyn Lemon. A memorial service will be held at First Wesleyan Church, Silverlake Road, Bartlesville, at 2 pm on Saturday, November 13, 2021. Her son-in-law, Reverend Thomas Schmidt and her pastor, Reverend Joe Colaw will be officiating. The service will be live-streamed at fwcbartlesville.org/media In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Wesleyan Church or Oklahoma Wesleyan University in Bartlesville or Agape Mission in Bartlesville.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **13**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Wesleyan Church
1776 Silver Lake Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4760

Tribute Wall



“ *Andrew Johnson lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth (Libby) Mildred Doe*



Andrew Johnson - November 17, 2021 at 11:55 PM

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“ *Denise,
This is Jack Salo from our childhood days at Gaines camp and more. My brother Tim sent me the notice of your mothers passing and I just wanted to pass on my condolences and prayers for you and your family. It's been many decades since we have seen each other, but I will never forget the great times we had as youth growing up in the church with your parents and many others on the district. My mom is 92 next month and we hope she can come to visit us in Cocoa fl. for her birthday. She is still pretty spry even after my Dad died 10 years ago and my older brother Jim over a year ago.
I do hope this finds you in good health and spirits.
God Bless and keep you always,
Jack Salo
jacksalo@gmail.com*

jack salo - November 12, 2021 at 10:14 AM

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Libby was One of the sweetest and dearest ladies I ever knew. She liked chocolate chip cookies so when I would go to visit I would stop at McDonald's and ask for hot cookies and take them up to her. We enjoyed visits talking about our days at Oklahoma Wesleyan and our families. She always asked about my husband Phil who had begun to have physical difficulties. She had a heart for others and cared about their welfare. She loved her family and was always bragging about how well her boys took care of her when she could no longer do things for herself. I'm praying for your family, Libby left you a wonderful legacy. May God bless you and comfort you. Phil And Alice Cooper

Phil and Alice Cooper - November 13, 2021 at 10:03 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Elizabeth (Libby) Mildred Doe.*



November 11, 2021 at 06:32 PM



“ *We were deeply saddened to hear of Libby's passing. We have so many fond memories of her and the family. She has always been an inspiration to us. We wish we could be there to support the family, but distance and circumstances won't allow, just know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,
Elaine (Conely) Briolat and Marsha Conely*

Elaine Conely Briolat - November 10, 2021 at 05:41 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Elizabeth (Libby) Mildred Doe.*



November 10, 2021 at 11:32 AM



“ *Jackie Eulitt lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth (Libby) Mildred Doe*



Jackie Eulitt - November 07, 2021 at 05:05 PM



So sorry for your loss!!! Libby will be terribly missed by so many! One of the sweetest, kindest and happiest person I have known during my lifetime!!! I always knew when she entered the building at the senior center, as she was either singing, humming or whistling when she entered. Her presence was felt immediately. She told me almost everyday day she had the best children in the world and was blessed to have them. I feel so blessed to have known her!!!!

Sandy Stoy - November 14, 2021 at 11:28 AM