



Bunita Mae "Bunny" Reinhardt

September 22, 1942 - February 21, 2018

Bunita Mae "Bunny" Reinhardt, 75, passed away on February 21, 2018 at Diversicare in Chanute, KS. She was born September 22, 1942 in a country rock house, close to Claudell, the daughter of Reed King Cole and Marple Mae (Eller) Cole.

Bunny graduated from Gaylord High School in Kansas. She was a past president of the Kansas State PTA and was instrumental in starting the "Book It" program with Pizza Hut which encourages school children to read. She loved to travel, was an avid reader and enjoyed attending auctions and going to flea markets to find collectibles. Bunny served as a youth leader, along with Linda Reinhardt, at Big Creek United Methodist Church. She also served many years as an adult 4-H club leader, which focused on safety and parliamentary procedure. She took pride in running the office of the family farm "Triple R Ranch" and she also had many creative business ideas, one of which was "Bunny's Bail Bonds". She and her husband Bill were also active in the Farm Bureau. Bunny was a member of Big Creek United Methodist Church in Chanute, Ks.

Bunny is survived by

Sons:

David Reinhardt and wife Lori of Chanute, Ks

Robbie Sallee and wife Janet of Chanute, Ks

Daughters:

Marsha Rodenbeck and husband Robert of Las Vegas, Nevada

Dawnita Reinhardt and Annette of Eldorado, Ks

Brothers:

Brad Cole and wife Karen

Shane Cole

11 Grandchildren

16 Great Grandchildren

Several Nieces and Nephews as well as many loved Cousins

Bunny was preceded in death by her parents, Reed and Marple Cole;
husband, Bill D. Reinhardt.

Cremation has been requested. The family will hold a memorial service at a later date. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. In lieu of flowers memorials have been suggested to Horizon Hospice or Big Creek United Methodist Church and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Arrangements have been entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Tribute Wall

KA

“ Dave, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. I did not know she was from my home town area. I saw the notice in the Smith County Pioneer. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Kelley Ayres
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Kelley Ayres - March 06, 2018 at 08:34 PM

KH

“ I'm so sad to hear of Bunnys passing. She was such a huge part of my life growing up. She was a best friend. She was a mentor. She was just the coolest person I have ever met. She was the first adult I knew to get a tattoo - it was a birthday gift to herself. I remember thinking how daring that was. Lol! It was a butterfly - such an outlaw! I feel incredibly lucky to have had my time with her - We took so many trips together. We'd go to auctions, cat shows 🐱 and hunting for antiques. She passed on her love for Elvis, old things and sausage biscuits with grape jelly. She was with me the first time I rode a horse and the first time I fell Off a horse. I haven't been to Chanute much since my parents passed but was lucky enough to catch up with her this last August. We laughed and cried about all our adventures. She had such a zest for life and so much joy for her family. I will always remember her and I'm happy that she is with Bill and at peace. ❤️

kristy (knopp) hodge - February 23, 2018 at 07:21 PM

AJ

Bunny was a Very Special Person-: Always 😊 with a Smile on her face-i met her at Deversicare through her husband Bill which was my landlord at the time- I was in the Facility which is my present job now to visit gpa i would also stop in to see her 😊 i was renting her parents house wish i hve always loved - i would keep her updated on several things;)now which the house i always seen her parents i watched and loved to watch across the way keep the beautiful yard and house so nice 😊 is now mine- Thankx to all Family tht Bunny & Bill Raised very well- Great people the Best any1 could ask for:) David helped me throuh alot like his dad & Rick had fixed a few minor things on home & i thank you- I would tell Bunny stories and she would just laugh-: I knew she luvd Elvis so i took her gpa elvis clock afta he had passed she was so 😊 & ill neva forget the day elvis came and sang to her for her bday last yr - it was a big suprise for her-: Smiling ear to ear- But i knew the friday before she passed away to be with her husband Bill tht would prolly be my last day i would see her;(she said amy please dnt leave me- i said ill be right back & i went back in and told her i loved her and gave her hugs- tht was the last time i saw her- now she is up in heaven with Bill- where she 😊 my Condolences go out to all Family & Friends luvz and hugs

Amy Johnson - February 27, 2018 at 11:41 AM

DQ

“ I have such warm memories of Bunny. She was so very kind and knew how to make everyone feel at home and comfortable. I feel so privileged that she was a part of my childhood. My sincere condolences to Bunny's wonderful family.

Donita (Davidson) Quesnel - February 22, 2018 at 05:13 PM

PH

“ You are all in my thoughts and prayers as you celebrate Bunny's life. Peace, Rev. Peggy Hillmon

Peggy Hillmon - February 21, 2018 at 10:08 PM

JF

We had such fun growing up in KS! She was very special to me!

Junia Ann Flesher - February 15, 2023 at 11:17 AM



We had so much fun growing up together in KS! She was very special to me!

Junia Ann Flesher - February 15, 2023 at 11:19 AM