



Esther B. Bailey Park

February 27, 1920 - April 5, 2010

Esther Park, 90, of Fort Collins departed to her heavenly home April 05, 2010, at Poudre Valley Hospital. She was born February 27, 1920 in Indianola, Nebraska to James and Amy Bailey. She graduated from Indianola High School in 1935 at the age of 15. Esther then received her teaching certificate and taught in a one room rural school with students from 1st through 8th grade. Esther and her mother moved to Colorado in 1937 to join other family members. Esther married Roscoe Park on Sept. 4, 1937, in Fort Collins, Co. They lived in Fort Collins for more than 73 years. She worked as a waitress during the early years in Fort Collins then began her work as a mother of five. Esther worked for CSU as dorm cook and later in the Registrars Office. She finished her working career with her first love -- teaching. Esther enjoyed being a Teacher Aide for Poudre R-1 School District working at Laurel Elementary. Esther was one of the early members of the Fort Collins Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day-Saints where she served in many capacities including teacher and genealogist. She was sealed to her family in the Salt Lake Temple. She was an amazing wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Her greatest love was spending time and serving her family. She and Roscoe went dancing nearly every weekend. She enjoyed gardening, canning, cooking and sewing. She and her husband enjoyed traveling in their trailer and spending winters in Arizona. She is survived by her five children. Pat BeDunnah and her husband Gary of Las Vegas, Charles Park and his wife Betty of Fort Collins, Don Park and his wife Connie of Lyons, Bernita

Sterling and her husband Roger of Fort Collins and Greg Park and his wife Gwen of Salt Lake, twenty grandchildren and thirty-six great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, mother, father, one sister, and one great granddaughter. Funeral services will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Harmony Building, 1320 W. Harmony Rd. at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10, 2010. Contributions can be made to the Primary Children's Medical Center in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel. Visitation will be at Bohlender Funeral Chapel from 6 pm to 8 pm Friday evening. Viewing at the Church will be held from 9 am to 10 am. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

DK

“ We have been out of town for a couple of weeks, so this message is a little late. Our prayers and condolences go out to all family members of Esther and Ross. Parents of Dick, Don & Helen Kerns, were good friends of Ross and Esther from the dance hall days of the 30's and 40's till the passing of Don in the year 2000. There were many, many great and fond memories of the Ft Collins friends' group gatherings. We all will remember Ross and Esther, the family, and the friendships for a long, long time.

Dick & Jeanette Kerns - April 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Though a very sad time you have to take pride in the fabulous life Esther and Roscoe had and all they got to experience and the legacy they leave behind. Thinking of you all. Love Jamie

Jamie Burgat - April 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Aunt Esther and Uncle Roscoe were two of my favorite people. We loved seeing them when they would bring the family to Indianola. Later, when I moved to Denver, we enjoyed taking our girls to Ft. Collins to visit with them. They will always be a part of my fondest memories and will be missed dearly.

Lea Kroll - April 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I will miss my visits with Esther and Roscoe. Although, the last few years our contact was very limited, I always thought fondly of both of them.

Dorothy Fern Amicone - April 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Bernita, We're so sorry we weren't able to make the services for either your mom or dad, but we wanted to send our condolences, and let you know we thought the world of both of your parents. Even though we haven't seen them for several years, they have always been 2 of our very favorite people - so kind & generous & thoughtful of others. It's wonderful they both got to live such long & productive lives! They were a great example to everyone who knew them, & I'm sure you & the family will miss them greatly.

Rodney & Susan Casebolt - April 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Dear Bernita, Oh no. We are very sad to hear of your Mom's passing. When we were in the student branch , do you remember having your folks come to some of the gatherings and show us how true love was practiced?! Your Mom and Dad were a great couple to take notes on how to treat your spouse. Sister Park was always so dolled up and Brother Park was close by her side! Sending peace and condolences to you dear friend. Wish we could've been there with you.

Bonnie Stroud - April 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ My condolences on the passing of your sweet mother. Though it has been many years since I have seen Sister Park, I always remember her as a warm and compassionate lady who always seemed genuinely interested in me.

Doug Welker - April 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ *Bernita It had to be 1971 when I met your mom so I didn't know her, other than to know her and your dad raised one fine family. You know how sorry I am. My mom and I wish you the best. You're in our thoughts and prayers. Rick*

Rick Nichols - April 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Dear Bernita & family, I'm so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She was always happy to share news of her family. I didn't remember that she was quite the dancer with your Dad. I've always loved those cream cheese brownie cupcakes that she taught us to make! Those are a couple of memories that hopefully will bring you a smile when you remember your dear Mom.*

Jan Bradshaw - April 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CH

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Clara C. Heumphreus - April 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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KE

“ *our thoughts and prayers are with all of you as your sweet mother returns to other family members who wait with open arms to welcome her to her Heavenly home. Please know how much she loved each one of you and remember those joyful times. We love you. The Ellisons*

Kathe & Dick Ellison - April 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM