



## Barbara J. Clem

July 7, 1943 - March 29, 2022

I have fought the good fight; I have finished the course, I have kept the faith—  
2 Timothy 4:7 Barbara J. Clem, known to all as either Bee J, "Mom" or "Nan,"  
78 years old, went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Tuesday,  
March 29, 2022, in Roswell surrounded by her loved ones.

On July 7, 1943, Bee J was born to Dayton and Stella Harris in Tucumcari,  
NM. She grew up in House, NM, which was a small, tightly knit community,  
where she learned the importance of helping your neighbors and what really  
mattered in life—her family. Her parents, known to the family as Granny and  
Padate, instilled in her corn-fed character and values that made her the  
amazing woman she was. She passed these traits down to her children and  
grandchildren through her love, leadership, and prayers.

The majority of her career was spent in the legal field, where she worked for  
numerous attorneys and judges whom she loved and admired. Her career is  
what led her to find the love of her life, Lloyd Clem. They were married on  
October 6, 1979, in Roswell, NM. They both continued their careers together  
in the court system. She became the District Court Clerk of the New Mexico  
5th Judicial Court, where she served from June 29, 1992, to May 15, 2007.  
She became the Court Administrator of the 5th Judicial Court on May 15,  
2007, where she served until her retirement on December 31, 2013. During  
her career, her hard work, commitment, and sweet spirit not only earned her  
countless friends and co-workers throughout the State of New Mexico, but she  
also helped achieve great accomplishments for the court systems, one of

which was leading the implementation of the first jury software in the 5th Judicial courts. Her loving and caring personality, coupled with her hard work and commitment, made a lasting impact on those she worked with and gained her the love, respect, and admiration of countless people. After retiring, she enjoyed spending time with her family and making cards with "Sister."

It would be amiss to not mention the biggest part of her life, even above her family and career—her relationship and faith in Jesus. When she married Lloyd, not only was she getting the love of her life but becoming a part of a family that had a firm foundation in

God and His Word. As Lloyd and Bee J. made their life together, Lloyd and his mother, Grandma Ruth, ended up leading not only Bee J. but also Ferrall and Shelly to the Lord, which then abounded throughout the family and coming generations. We are all forever thankful for this legacy and salvation. She was our prayer warrior.

Those left to cherish her memories and legacy until the day we meet again are her:

- Husband: Lloyd Clem of Roswell, NM
- Children: Ferrall and Sue Clem of Roswell, NM; Shelly and Randy Bristow of Artesia, NM
- Grandchildren: Jennifer Benton of Roswell, NM; Jason and Mandi Clem of Roswell, NM; Brittany and Josh Amador of Roswell, NM; Colton & Rae Campbell of Brownfield, TX
- 10 great-grandchildren
- 1 great-great-grandchild
- Siblings: Myrl Dean West of Corona, NM; Gayle Luth of Roswell, NM; George & Pauline Harris of Roswell, NM; Vicki Shaw of Dallas, TX
- Numerous nephews and nieces

Bee J. is preceded in death by her father and mother, Dayton and Stella Harris, brother Bill Harris, sister-in-law Dekka House, brother-in-law Dewayne Shaw, and grandson Jeremy Dale Clem.

Blessed to be chosen as Honorary Pallbearers are George Harris, Val Knight, Joshua Amador, and Michael Marshall

Honored to serve as Pallbearers are: Ferrall Clem, Randy Bristow, Jason Clem, Colton

Campbell, Josh Amador, Tripp Jackson, and Bari Harris

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to your charity of choice.

A viewing will be held at Anderson Bethany on Monday, April 4, 2022, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. A graveside service will be at a later time for the family.

Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Barbara's family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 4. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara J. Clem*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Thank you Lord for blessing Ferrall and I with such an amazing Mom! She was such a beautiful lady, inside and out, and touched so many life's with her gracious and kind ways. She was our great prayer warrior, and peace maker in our family. She loved the Lord with all her heart and through the years she shared that with her kids, grandkids and great grandkids. Her grandkids and great grandkids called her Nan, and boy did they love their Nan! No one could give love pats like Nan, we always called them Nan pats, and every time they saw her, she would give them Nan pats. We all are going to miss her so much, but know we will all see her again someday. For now we will hold on to, and cherish all the wonderful memories we made with this special, special lady, that I am so proud to have called MOM! Thank you Mom for being the BEST MOM in the world! We all miss you greatly.💕*

**Shelly Bristow** - May 28, 2022 at 12:27 AM



“ *What a true Lady our Lord and Savior has taken home and is now in his loving arms. So many lives were touched by this lady. Our Deepest Condolences and Comfort are with this Family today and days ahead.*

*Continued prayers, Cheryl & Tim Wafful*

**Cheryl and Tim Wafful** - April 05, 2022 at 08:48 AM

CW

“ Cheryl And Tim Wafful lit a candle in memory of Barbara J. Clem



Cheryl and Tim Wafful - April 05, 2022 at 08:42 AM

JL

“ I remember Barbara Jean from the family get togethers at my Grandmothers (Pearl Enoch) and have many fond memories of her, her family and the whole Harris family. I will cherish those memories forever. She was my dad's (Corky Enoch) cousin. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends.

Jeannette Enoch Lenko - April 04, 2022 at 10:44 AM

JW

“ Lloyd, thinking of you today and Bee J..... It was my honor to work with both of you what a great lady to be around. My prayers are with you and the family, and with her faith it is said "she was here and in the blink of an eye she was there" Stay strong

John R. Wrinkle

John R Wrinkle - April 03, 2022 at 10:46 PM

Dustee  
Eldridge

“ Aunt Bee J was the sweetest woman. During family events she always made a point to talk to me and my family members and get to know us. She will be missed. My love and prayers go out to her family.

Dustee Eldridge - April 03, 2022 at 08:51 PM



“ *Hickory Farms Savory and Sweet Snacker Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Clem.*



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April 03, 2022 at 01:59 PM



“ *Barbara J was my dad's cousin. Her whole family was so special and I cherish the memories of the family get togethers. I will always remember how gorgeous she was. My heart goes out to her family and friends.*

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**Jan Enoch Wesley** - April 01, 2022 at 11:00 PM



“ *It was my privilege to work with Bee J. when she was the District Court Clerk and I was an attorney. She was the ultimate in professionalism and integrity. She was always courteous but never put up with any nonsense! She made that court run like a top!*

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**Betsy Cunningham** - April 01, 2022 at 11:38 AM



“ *Shelly Bristow lit a candle in memory of Barbara J. Clem*



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**Shelly Bristow** - April 01, 2022 at 06:48 AM

CF

“ *C.K., Michael, Aleshia and our families purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Barbara J. Clem.*



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**C.K., Michael, Aleshia and our families** - March 31, 2022 at 06:02 PM

BM

“ *BJ, you were at district court when I started my career at APO. You were always so kind and helpful anytime I called or came by. I'm sorry you didn't get to enjoy retirement longer. Say hi to Judge Jones for me! You will certainly be missed.*

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**Benda Morrow** - March 31, 2022 at 02:12 PM

NA

“ *Thanks for the memories, trust and guidance. B.J. you were the best!*

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**Nadine** - March 31, 2022 at 01:50 AM

KC

“ I will never forget the first time I met Bee J. It was when we first moved to Roswell in 2001 and eventually joined the CMA. We went on a ride with the group, and Bee J wore the most beautiful set of honey colored leather chaps and matching jacket I had ever seen. She gifted me with her black Honda Goldwing jacket that I still wear today, and think of her every time I wear it. She was a beautiful and gracious person, and a true friend. I got to know her even better while I was an employee of the Sanders, Bruin, Coll And Worley law firm. I know how respected she was as Chaves County District Clerk and Administrator, and that she was beloved by the legal community of the Fifth Judicial District of New Mexico, and beyond. She was a mentor to many young ladies and young men and we all are the better for having known her. Mike and I were so privileged to be a part of her and Lloyd's life while we were in Roswell. I know she's at rest now. Love you and miss you mucho!!

*Kathy Callaway*

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**Kathy Callaway** - March 30, 2022 at 12:23 PM

MC

“ Mike and Kathy Callaway purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Barbara J. Clem.



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**Mike and Kathy Callaway** - March 30, 2022 at 12:01 PM