



Betty Joan (Sharp) Post Cotton

October 20, 1934 - April 26, 2026

Betty Joan (Sharp) Post Cotton, Age 91 Born on October 20, 1934, to Frank L. Sharp and Oleava G. Sharp in Texhoma, Oklahoma, being 1 of 12 children. Betty passed away in her family home on April 26, 2026, in Pueblo, Colorado, surrounded by her family. She was preceded in death by her mother, Oleava Gem Cline; her father, Lewis Franklin Sharp; her husband, Harold Frank Post; Gary Cotton; brothers and sisters, Wynema Sharp, Glendora Sharp, April Sharp, Leon Sharp, Eldon Sharp, Freda Mcleod, Richard Sharp, Clyta Walton, Ruby Burger, Ellen Coats, and Gerlene Barrett as well as several neices and nephews; and her great-granddaughter, Kendall as well as many other family and friends. Betty was survived by her daughter, Diana; son Randy; grandchildren, Tiffany (Joshua), Michael, and Christopher (Dana); great-grandchildren, Kaya and Isabella, and many more close family and friends.

Betty was just 2 years old when her family moved from Texhoma, OK, to Canon City, CO, where she was raised. Betty attended Western State University in Gunnison, CO, where she met her first husband, Harold. Harold and Betty moved to Glenwood Springs, CO, where she gave birth to her son, Randy. Shortly thereafter, Betty, Harold, and Randy moved to Pueblo, CO, where Betty then gave birth to her daughter, Diana. Betty earned a master's degree in teaching from the University of Southern Colorado and dedicated her life to educating children as an elementary school teacher and special education teacher for Pueblo District 60. Betty and Harold opened an art

gallery and jewelry supply store called the Alley Post, which would eventually become the Alley Post Pawn Shop. Betty had a love for her family, friends, having get-togethers, being a member of the Model-A club, traveling, reading, doing art, collecting glass, shopping, and was a fashionable woman.

Years after Harold passed away, Betty met her second husband, Gary Cotton. She then moved to Monte Vista, CO, where she enjoyed living and being a part of the community there. She joined the Methodist Church and Red Hat club, where she met several dear friends. Betty enjoyed going to the mountains to pursue art and watercolor painting and had friends over for movies and tea. She loved her home in Monte Vista, where she lived for many years before moving back to her family home in Pueblo. Betty positively touched so many lives, bringing a beautiful smile and bright light to all those who she graced with her presence. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Per the request of Betty, services will be held privately. The family will receive and welcome flowers at the family home, 2 Silverweed Ct. Pueblo, CO 81001.

Tribute Wall



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betty Joan (Sharp) Post Cotton.

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“ My condolences to Randy and Diana and all Family and friends. I remember Betty and Harold when I and Randy's friends would come hang out at there beautiful Home Harold built on Caledonia st after getting out of school at Heaton.. I was always amazed of how he built the garage underneath the house. Your Mother was very nice. She will be remembered by all who knew her as very kind.. You all will be in my prayers. 🙏

Gary St. Clair - May 05 at 08:47 PM



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“ So sorry for the loss of your mother!! I taught at Ben Franklin with Betty!! We also did Art together! I kept in touch with her when she moved to Monte Vista! Rest in Paradise my friend and colleague!!

Mary Ann Rotolo - April 30 at 09:17 AM