



## Eleanor "Elly" Paulin

April 24, 1930 - April 11, 2013

Eleanor Carolyn McGehe Paulin, "Miss Elly", passed peacefully in her sleep Thursday, April 11, 2013 in Panama City.

Elly was preceded in death by her father Lois (Pop) McGehe; her mother Eva McGehe; and her brother Marvin.

She is survived by seven children, Deborah Paulin of Gainesville, Michael Paulin of Newport, TN, Karen Neuschafer of Lake Worth, Beth Gershey of Lake Ariel, PA, Bunny DeVane of Cosby, TN, Lynn Gatlin of Lake Talquin and Robert Paulin of West Palm Beach; 13 grandchildren, Blue, Brodie, Patrick, Travis, Robbie, Misty, Jeffrey, Corey, Kevin, August, Waylon, Stephanie and Megan; and 11 great-grandchildren, Brice, Olivia, Sophia, Taylor, Conrad, Riley, Brandon, Amy, Marley, C.J., and Christopher. Also surviving are two sisters, Cecile Longwell of West Palm Beach and Marcia Benton of Ft. White; and a brother, Bob of West Palm Beach.

Born in St. Augustine, Elly was raised in Pensacola. She moved to West Palm Beach, where she married Pat Paulin and together raised seven children. In later years, Elly made her home in Sumatra, FL where she wrote a column, "Sumatra Tidbits" for The Calhoun-Liberty Journal. Later she returned to West Palm Beach to care for her elderly mother, until her death. Her life continued in Bristol where she was a caregiver for several local families. A member of the Red Hat Society, she also served as President of the Bristol Woman's Club for four years. As President she established an annual local parade; a Christmas toy drive; and purchased teddy bears for distribution by the Liberty

County Sheriff's Department.

Elly was an extremely kind and loving soul, who touched many lives, was dearly loved and will be missed by many.

A memorial service will be held at 7:00 PM, EDT, Monday, April 15th at Bevis Funeral Home in Bristol (850/643-3636 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)). Gifts in memory of Elly may be made to the Liberty County Woman's Club (for the Elly Paulin Scholarship Fund) c/o Centennial Bank, Post Office Box 700, Bristol, FL 32321.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR **15**. 7:00 PM (CT)

Bevis Funeral Home of Bristol  
12008 NW Highway 20  
Bristol, FL 32321  
(850) 643-3636

# Tribute Wall

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“ You were going to come up here to celebrate your birthday this month but the good Lord had different plans for you.  
I miss you so much but find comfort that you are free of pain.  
Rest in peace Mom.  
Beth Paulin Gershey, Lake Ariel, PA

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**Stella Beth Paulin Gershey** - April 13, 2013 at 10:08 AM