



## Bette Jean Bell

March 27, 1923 - January 26, 2017

Bette Jean Bell, 93, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Thursday, January 26, 2017 at her residence at Chateau Girardeau.

She was born March 27, 1923 in Berkeley, California to John Joseph and Isabella Robina Spalding Alveras.

Bette toured the country as a singer with big bands. One of her stops was the former Purple Crackle in East Cape. She also sang regularly at the Peabody Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee. In addition, she had a radio show and cut a number of albums. She started out with Doris Day and worked with and knew many celebrities.

She has lived in Cape Girardeau for 11 years, having moved here from Hawaii. She was a member of the Red Hat Society.

Survivors include a daughter, Bette E. (Matt) Siemers of Cape Girardeau; four grandchildren, Sally Downing, Melissa Barnhart, Sam Siemers, and Heather Wingo; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Lynn.

Services will be private for the family only.

Memorial contributions may be given to Chateau Employee Fund.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My fondest memory of Bette is how well she felt about the serving staff at Cape Gerateau.,  
Darcy and I will always remember the gift she sent us. We were happy to know her.  
Carl and Darcy Dumont  
863 10th St. NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504*

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**Carl Dumont** - January 30, 2017 at 08:14 PM

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“ *I am very sorry for the loss of Betty Bell. What a beautiful and delightful person! She had a great sense of humor, knew countless stories, and loved living at the Chateau and in Cape Girardeau. My sympathy to her family. I will miss talking with her and sharing meals with her at the Chateau. She made every meal a great experience, I will miss her  
very much.  
Aloha Ms.Betty*

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**Frank Nickell** - January 29, 2017 at 11:00 PM

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“ *Bette was such a vibrant friend. I enjoyed hearing her stories - watch her run to a game of poker rather than pinochle, gather people together. I will always smile when I think of her and I am glad she is free from the limitations of getting old. God be with her.*

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**Lori Launhardt** - January 29, 2017 at 08:02 PM