

Mrs. Lowe Celebrated 100th Birthday

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Elizabeth Atchley Lowe, 100th Birthday Celebration in the Florida school system.

A milestone birthday celebration was held recently in Franklin Tennessee. Born March 10, 1907 in Sevierville, Tennessee, Mrs. Elizabeth Atchley Lowe, widow of Nathan Lowe, celebrated her 100th birthday with a large number of family and friends.

Elizabeth Atchley graduated from East Tennessee Teachers College in Johnson City and worked on a Masters Degree at the University of Tennessee. She lived in Murfreesboro and was the Rutherford County Home Demonstration Agent for a period of time. In 1936 Elizabeth was awarded the "Best Citizenship" trophy in Murfreesboro. Prior to moving to Murfreesboro, she lived in Florida and taught Home Economics

in the Florida school system. At the same time Elizabeth was the Home Demonstration Agent, an Eagleville native, Nathan J. Lowe was the Rutherford County Agriculture Agent. He was the son of George and Flora Lowe and graduated from Eagleville High School in 1930.

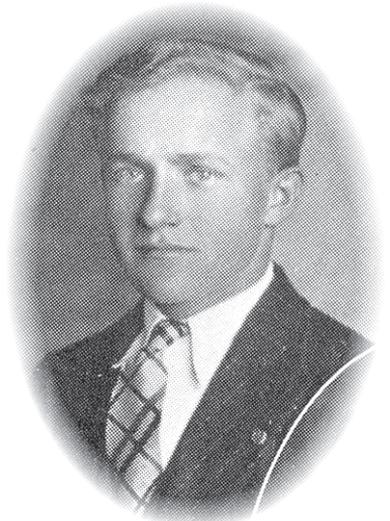
While at a job related meeting at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Elizabeth and Nathan attended a dance, and after a courtship, were married. Elizabeth was already familiar with the Lowe Family of Eagleville. Nathan's youngest sister, Mary Ellen, was active in the county 4-H program.

After their marriage, the Lowe family lived in Houston, Humphrey and Smith Counties where Nathan served as the County Agriculture Agent. They had three children, Betty, Judy and Ted. Although the Lowe family had many friends in Smith County and hated to leave them, Nathan accepted the County Agent position in Williamson County and the family moved to Franklin. When considering the move to Franklin, Nathan felt he needed to be closer to his parents who lived near Eagleville. Nathan served as a County Agriculture Agent for a total of 40 years. He died in 1986 at the age of 74.

After the children were in college, Elizabeth started back to work as the Food Service Director of Williamson County Schools and worked in this position for approximately 10 years.

Nathan and Elizabeth's children, Ted lives in Spokane, Washington, Judy Lowe Johnson lives in Knoxville and Betty Lowe Dalton lives in Franklin Tennessee. Betty taught at Eagleville High School as a counselor for a year before transferring to the Williamson County school system.

Franklin, Tennessee has been Elizabeth's home for the past 50 years. She presently lives in an assisted living and enjoys playing bingo and taking daily exercise. At her birthday celebration her family presented her with a tiara and a Queen Elizabeth of Franklin sash. This is very appropriate for this special lady. Even at 100 years of age, she is still a very prideful person. Everyday, she dresses up, making sure she has on her jewelry, especially her beads or pearl necklace. Congratulation Mrs. Lowe for reaching this milestone and here's wishing you many more birthdays.



Nathan Lowe
Eagleville Graduate 1930