

# Juanita Moore Basham

May 10, 1911 – August 14, 2005

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Juanita Basham, the Mount View woman who graduated from Hinton high school this year at the age of 38, has been given a teaching job—at Joe Cole school, away over in the depths of Jumping Branch district, toward Flat Top. She's very happy about having a job and about getting one so close to home; she'll only have to walk about two and a half miles

That is, she'll only have to walk two and a half miles if she can find the short cut. By the road, the school is eight miles from her home, but there used to be a short way, through fields and down ridges and across ravines and up cliffs. It's all grown over now, but one of the older men in the community has promised to help her find it. If it proves too dangerous, though, she'll have to walk the eight miles by the road until she can afford to buy a car.

By road or by short cut, though, snow drifts deep over Jumping Branch district in the winter, and the wind cuts across that plateau like a knife. Moreover, there are chores to be done around the farm before Juanita can set out for school of a morning. Truly, this is an amazing woman. She'll be, I'll wager, a superb school teacher.

## Obituary

### Juanita Moore Basham

HINTON — Juanita Moore Basham, 94, of Hinton, went to our Lord in Heaven on Sunday, Aug. 14, 2005, at the home of her son and daughter-in-law of Barboursville.

Juanita was born May 10, 1911, in the mountains of the Dominican Republic. She was the daughter of the late Thomas and Alta Castijo (Castle) Moore of Houston, Texas.



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She was the oldest of five children and the last survivor. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Ray W. Basham, in 1966; and a daughter

who died at birth.

She was a retired Summers County educator, principal, teacher, 4-H leader and community activist. Mrs. Basham graduated from Hinton High School and Concord Teachers College. She received her Master's Degree and Principalship from Marshall University and had a Ph.D. in education from West Virginia University. She loved teaching and especially art and expressed herself in oil, acrylic and water color painting. She loved all the children and let them know it. We miss her with all our hearts.

She is survived by her two sons, John Basham and wife, Shirley, of Martinsville, Ind., and David Basham and wife, Ann, of Barboursville, and their families.

Service will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlor Chapel, Hinton, with Pastor Ronnie Cobb officiating. Burial will follow in Basham Family Cemetery, Mount View.

Friends may call 6 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral parlor.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [info@ronaldmeadowsfp.com](mailto:info@ronaldmeadowsfp.com).

Arrangements by Ronald Meadows Funeral Parlor, Hinton.