

Resolution



DATE: January 27, 2018

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

A Celebration on the Birthday of Leta Bailey

BE IT REMEMBERED, that in commemoration of the 101st birthday of Oleta “Leta” Bailey, born this day on January 27th, 1917, Dallas County Commissioner Dr. Theresa M. Daniel offers the following resolution:

- Whereas**, Oleta “Leta” Odell Compton came into this world in Blackland, Texas on January 27, 1917, born to Bessie and Joe Compton, and was later joined by her two brothers Harvey and Joe; and
- Whereas**, When Leta was 18, she and her brother Harvey moved to Dallas where she started business school, and later worked at Carrier Air Conditioning as a secretary. It was here she met her husband Joe Bailey, and they were wed on June 4, 1938; and
- Whereas**, As her third brother Gary “Sonny” Compton joined the world, a little over a year later, Leta and Joe gave birth to their first son Ken in 1940. Ken was followed by Gary, Joleta, and Susan. All four children went to Preston Hollow Elementary School and graduated from Hillcrest High School. Ken, Gary, Joleta and Susan became respectively, a retired Marine Captain and active community leader, a retired Navy Captain and dentist, retired Development Director/commercial real estate manager and an active flight attendant of 40 years for Delta Airlines; and
- Whereas**, Leta actively participated in her children’s lives as a Homeroom Mother, Cub, Brownie and Girl Scout Leader. As her children grew, Leta continued to stay active and volunteered over 1000 hours as a docent at the Old City Park (now Heritage Village) and delivered Meals on Wheels; and
- Whereas**, Through Joe’s job with Philco, the family lived in New Orleans for a time and before moving back to Dallas. Joe and Leta traveled the world to see The Great Wall of China, all of Europe, Moscow and Hawaii. They continued to travel in retirement and enjoy life; and
- Whereas**, The family went to Park Cities Baptist Church where Leta and Joe were charter members. The church kept them happy and active in their older years especially with Kiwanis Club for Joe and exercise class 3 days a week for Leta; and
- Whereas**, Leta has had an attitude of FUN throughout her endeavors whether they are responsibilities or leisure activities. She seems to feel content, blessed and eager for each new adventure in life.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that Dallas County Commissioner Dr. Theresa M. Daniel wishes you the best on your upcoming 101st birthday celebration. May you spend it surrounded by loved ones, family and friends. Happiest of birthdays!

Signed this 27th day of January, 2018, in Dallas County, Texas

Dr. Theresa M. Daniel

Dallas County Commissioner, District 1