

Eleanor Jean "Jeannie" or "Jean" Avery, daughter of Milborne Henry (1902-1989) and Alice Nedra (Teel) (1907-1988) Avery, was born 3 March 1935, Saginaw County, Michigan. She graduated from Okemos High School in 1953 and married 9 January 1954 Richard E. Paulson.



Richard was a US Air Force veteran of the Korean Conflict. After honorable military discharge Richard was employed from

1955-1986 with General Motors Corp. (OLDS-BOC), retiring as supervisor in the Data Processing Department.

Jean was very involved in her 3 children's lives, vigorously volunteering with Scouts and PTA. Later she became continuously active in numerous community programs in the Lansing area...just like high school.

Lansing State Journal, Jan 10, 1954

Miss Eleanor Avery Married To Richard Paulson in Okemos



MRS. RICHARD E. PAULSON

Following a honeymoon trip through the south, newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Richard Edward Paulson will make their home in Murfreesboro, Tenn., where the bridegroom is stationed at Stewart Air Force base.

The couple exchanged wedding vows in Okemos Community church Saturday afternoon before Rev. David S. Evans, Jr.

The bride was Miss Eleanor Jean Avery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Avery of Breezy Knoll farm near Okemos. She attended Michigan State college. Mr. Paulson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Paulson, 139 Lathrop st.

PEARL-STUDED CROWN

The bride's gown of white tulle and taffeta over crinoline was topped by a lace jacket, and a crown of pearl-studded lace held her fingertip length veil. She carried a white Bible with white roses and carnations.

As maid of honor, she chose Miss Heather Webb, whose gown was of turquoise tulle over satin with a matching jacket. She carried a colonial nosegay of pink roses and carnations and wore a band of pink carnations in her hair.

FLORAL HEADBAND

The bride's sister, Miss Carol Avery, wore a gown of peacock tulle and velvet and carried a pink colonial nosegay for her role of bridesmaid. She also wore a headband of pink carnations. The little flower girl, Pamela Paulson, wore an ankle length gown of aqua taffeta and carried a tiny nosegay.

Robert Paulson, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Guests were seated by Richard Hodgkin, Rolland Pratt and Dennis Avery, brother of the bride. Another brother of the bride, Larry Avery, was ringbearer.

CHURCH RECEPTION

A reception followed in the church parlors immediately after the ceremony. Then the new Mrs. Paulson changed to a green tweed suit for going away. Brown accessories and a corsage of white roses and carnations completed her costume.

A rehearsal dinner was held Friday night at the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Teel, 207 N. Harrison rd., East Lansing, and the bride was feted at recent showers at the homes of Miss Heather Webb, Miss Rhoda Kelly and Miss Janet Fredricks.

Methodist Church Group Plans Guest Night Party

Festus Omri class of Michigan Avenue Methodist church will hold their "Guest Night party" Wednesday evening at 6:30 p. m.

Luke Kelley, who was in India assisting on the Point Four program, will discuss, "Problems of India."

Announcements

THURSDAY -- Regular meeting of Tabetha Band No. 1, St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Waldron, corner of St. Joseph and West sts., 7:45 p. m.

Hurd Cemetery association meets at the home of Mrs. Charles G. G. 18 N. Pennsylvania ave., for bohemian dinner, 1 p. m. Election of officers.



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ELEANOR JEAN AVERY
"Jeannie"

*Thoughts are but dreams
till their effects be tried.*

Yearbook 4
S.R.A. 4
Assembly Committee Secretary 3, Chairman 4
F.H.A. 1
Play 3
Play Production 4
Chorus 1-4



Richard, born 23 July 1931, died 18 May 2003. Jean, age 79, died 26 September 2014.



MISS ELEANOR JEAN AVERY

JANUARY PLANS — Miss Eleanor Jean Avery and Airman 2/c Richard E. Paulson have set their wedding date for early January. Their engagement and wedding plans have been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Avery of Breezy Knoll Farm, Okemos. Her fiance's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Paulson, 139 Lathrop st. He is stationed at Stewart air force base, Tenn.

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Bulletin

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Feb. 10—(UP)—Miss Betty McKelvey, 17-year-old Belleville (Wayne county) high school senior, today was named cherry pie baking champion of Michigan.

Miss McKelvey, slender, attractive, dark-haired and dark-eyed, was selected in the state finals which ended here today.

Majean Kahrs, 17, of Leland (Leelanau county), was runner-up in the championship.

Jean Avery, 17, of Okemos, Ingham county, was third.

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Daintily tipping tea-cups at a tea party given by Mrs. Harold Good are Jean Avery, Evelyn Kohls, Heather Webb and Judy Haga. They are all senior girls taking the home and family living course at Okemos Consolidated school located next door

to the modern Good home on the banks of the Red Cedar river. This entertainment, which promises to be annual, ties in nicely with ideals of teen-age manners taught in the course.

Estes Leadley Funeral Home, Lansing, Michigan Obituary:

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Surviving are three children, Michael (Vickie Barner) Paulson, Laura (Lee) Hager, Steven (Mary) Paulson; grandchildren, Benjamin (Elizabeth) Hager, Jordan Hager, Leslie and Sarah Paulson, and Erik and Robert Paulson; great granddaughter, Evelyn Hager; brothers, Dennis (Anne) Avery and Larry (Linda) Avery; sister, Carol (Joe) Koch; many nieces, nephews, and companion, Jim Grugett.

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A memorial visitation will be held at the Estes-Leadley Greater Lansing Chapel on Thursday, October 2, 2014 from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

FALMER, DUSH & JENSEN
Family Funeral Homes

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Those who wish may make memorial contributions, in lieu of flowers, to the Greater Lansing Food Bank.