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Ode to Eula Mae

I realize that by the time you get this, the wonderful “holiday” known in our family as “Eula Mae Day” will be long past, but I feel you need to know about it anyway.

Eula Mae Foster Carroll was my Great Grandmother. I know a lot of people are not blessed enough to have known their great-grandmother, but mine was young enough to be at my wedding! (My family is from Alabama. They married young & had babies young, so here we are.)

Born in 1902, Eula Mae was one of six kids—Eula, Beulah, Lima (pronounced “Limer”), Lela (pronounced “Leemer”), James, and John. I’m not really sure how the boys lucked out with the “normal” names, but I’m sure there’s some family history in there somewhere.

Eula Mae was a wild woman!! She worked in the family’s general store; was a fabulous cook (her fried apple pies were legendary); the town seamstress (she made debutante, prom & wedding dresses for everyone in town); & could sing & rock that piano like nobody else.

Being the first great-grandchild, I have the honor of being her namesake. I have always been very grateful that I received her married surname & not her first

name—although at this point in my life, I feel like I could pull it off with pride. Since I was the first, there were not a lot of toys around, so my toy at her house was a long piece of twine with lots of wooden spools. I can only imagine how many garments were produced to create a 4-foot string of empty spools for me (& yes, I still have it. Cody loves it.)

Mama Carroll (as we all called her) lived with her husband, Milburn, in an original Sears house furnished with beautiful, ornate furniture, a lot of which Milburn made in his workshop out back. The year he made grandfather clocks for each of his three children still stands out in my childhood memory. He also made a harpsicord for his church. Milburn didn’t have tips on all ten fingers anymore, but the love & blood in his creations still lives today.

Why do I mention this? Because August 26th would have been Eula Mae’s 120th birthday. It’s a day we think back on the wonderful people that formed us. Eula Mae didn’t just give me her musical abilities, she also shared with me her crazy, bizarre sense of humor, and her love for all things food and family! Just thought you should know.

Ok, now on to important stuff!

The Week of August 29-31 is:

- World Water Week
- International Bat Week
- Chuckwagon Races

Some Celebrations only last a day:

- 29th**-More Herbs, Less Salt Day
National Whiskey Sour Day
National Chop Suey Day
National Lemon Juice Day
- 30th**-Cabernet Sauvignon Day
Whale Shark Day
National Beach Day
Toasted Marshmallow Day
- 31st**-National Matchmaker Day
National South Carolina Day
National Eat Outside Day
National Trail Mix Day

By the time you get this, September will be here, so let's get caught up a little.

The Month of September is:

- All American Breakfast Month
- Bourbon Heritage Month
- Children's Good Manners Month
- Classical Music Month
- Eat Chicken Month
- Fall Hat Month
- California Wild Rice Month
- Happy, Healthy Cat Month
- International Speak Out Month
- International Square Dancing Month
- Library Card Sign-Up Month
- Bake & Decorate Month
- Be a Food Hero Month
- National Cheese Month
- National Chicken Month

September is also:

- National Coupon Month
- National Family Meals Month
- National Fruit & Veggies Month
- National Home Furnishings Month
- National Honey Month
- National Mulled Cider Month
- National Mushroom Month
- National Organic Harvest Month
- National Piano Month
- National Prime Beef Month
- National Rice Month
- National Sewing Month
- National Milkshake Month
- National Taco Month
- Save the Koala Month
- Save Your Photos Month
- World Candle Month

The week of September 1-3 is:

- Cow Chip Throwing Days
- Golden Onion Week
- Hog Days

Some Celebrations only last a day:

- 1st**- National Lazy Mom's Day
International Toy Testing Day
National College Colors Day
Bring Manners to Work Day
World Letter Writing Day
Calendar Adjustment Day
Chicken Boy's Day
National Burnt Ends Day
- 2nd**- International Bacon Day
Buffalo Chicken Wings Day
National Cowgirl Day
Blueberry Popsicle Day
National Chianti Day
World Beard Day
World Coconut Day

3rd- U.S. Bowling League Day
Pet Rock Day
National Cinema Day
Pressed Pennies Day
Skyscraper Day
National Tailgating Day

4th- National Pastor's Spouses Day
National Macadamia Nut Day
National Spice Blend Day
Great Bathtub Race
National Wildlife Day
Yard Art Day

Next week we'll try our best to get back to a more "normal" schedule. But, y'all know me, so "normal" is stretching it a bit...

Have a great week & call if you need anything!

Serving Him & Loving it!

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Left to Right: Beatrice (my MeMa), holding me (in the cute tennis shoes), Milburn, & Eula Mae
Center: Janice (my Mom) holding Diana (my sister)



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