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Community Cookbook Mimi's Calico Beans

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This is my grandmother's recipe. She made them every year for our family every 4th of July and they are always a crowd favorite.

Ingredients:

1/4 lb Bacon

1 lb Ground Beef

1/2 C Chopped Onion

1 can Kidney Beans

1 can Pork'n Beans

1 can Butter Beans (or White Beans)

1 can Garbanzo Beans

1/2 C Brown Sugar

2 Tbsp White Vinegar

1/2 tsp Salt

1/2 C Catsup

1 Tbsp Yellow Mustard

Directions:

Saute bacon; drain bacon grease and set bacon aside. Add ground beef and onion to the pan. Cook until meat is browned; drain grease. Add all remaining ingredients - do not drain the cans of beans; pour beans and liquid in. Pour into a greased casserole dish and bake at 300 degrees for 1.5-2 hours. These beans can also be warmed in a crock pot or in a dutch oven over the campfire.

