

RANCH BAKED BEANS

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Madeline was my aunt. She was the matriarch of our extended family, and lived in a historical house, where she shared her life with family and friends. It was important to her that we get together as a family on holidays and for other functions. No one ever left her house without feeling welcomed and loved. She spent hours ministering to people in her home, as well as Meals on Wheels and other opportunities to be of help to others. I always wanted to duplicate that feeling in my home and hope I succeeded to some degree. This recipe was one we had often and always was a crowd-pleaser.

1 lb. hamburger
½ cup water
2 tbsp mustard
1 can bean sprouts
1 lb. kidney beans (washed and drained)
1 pkg Lipton onion soup
1 cup catsup
1 tsp vinegar
1 cup grated cheese
2- 1 lb. cans of B & M baked beans

Brown meat, stir in remaining ingredients. Bake at 400 degrees
For 30 minutes in a covered dish.