



Betty Lynn Smart

March 20, 1939 - January 15, 2021

Betty Lynn Smart passed away from complications of Covid -19 in Mount Pleasant, SC on January 15, 2021. Born on March 20, 1939 to parents, Edward Franklin Berryman and Mamie Jane Cox-Berryman in Nettleton, Mississippi. Betty's father worked for the Civil Service, so the family moved from Mississippi to Columbus, Georgia where Betty's dad worked at Fort Benning.

She is survived by daughters, Sharon Hudson and husband, Carter of Leesburg, Georgia, Paula Holloway of Blackhawk, Colorado, Bridgett Nolan and her wife, Leslie Busche of Mt Pleasant SC, BJ Nolan of Lebanon, Tennessee, and Bobbie Sue Smart and her husband Tim Russell of Sandy Hook, CT, fourteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Robert (Bob) Smart, her beloved, only son, Jimmy Nolan, grandsons, Ryan Woodrich & Zack Gentry, brother Edwin Joseph Berryman, and sisters, Dr. Jean B. Copland & Jane Owens. She is survived by sisters, Anna Faye Ingram of Panama City, Florida & Connie D. Irvin of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, Sarah Berryman of Pine Mountain, Georgia, and brother, Thomas Berryman of Palisade, Minnesota.

At the age of 16, Betty married Bill Nolan, a sergeant in the U.S. Army. Together they had five children: Paula, Sharon, Bridgett, Jimmy and B.J. It was a time of many fond memories for Betty, especially the time spent in Germany where Bill was stationed.

After she and Bill divorced, Betty moved back to Columbus, Georgia where she met her second husband Bob. He was originally from Mississippi as well and had moved to Georgia when stationed at Fort Benning with the Army. The two met at the restaurant where Betty waitressed, soon married and daughter, Bobbie Sue quickly followed.

Betty and Bob bought property in Buena Vista, Georgia and in 1972 built a house and moved the family to the farm. Betty adapted to being a 'farmer's wife' and would ride the tractor with Bob, help feed the cows and can black-eyed peas to get through the winter. Betty was enormously proud of their beautiful farm although she remained a "Columbus" girl at heart.

After Bob passed, Betty moved to Mount Pleasant, South Carolina to be near her daughter, Bridgett. After downsizing to a condo, she enjoyed sitting on her screened porch, waving to her neighbors, and having family visit. After her health declined, she moved to Somerby Assisted Living in Mount Pleasant where the staff doted on 'Miss Betty'.

Betty will be remembered for her creative soul. She took great pride in her painting and the many poems she wrote. A true lover of country music, she lived the words of many songs; both the happy and sad. Her favorite singer was Elvis Presley, so the next time an Elvis song comes on your radio, please turn it up, sing out loud and think of Betty.

A family service will be held this summer. In lieu of flowers, a donation in Betty's memory can be made to Sweet Relief Musicians Fund, Covid-19 Fund, 2601 E. Chapman Avenue, Suite 204, Fullerton, CA 92831.

Comments



“ Mom was a very creative woman with deep passions. My favorite things about her were her poetry, and her clippings from newspapers and magazines. She would send or give to me. They would bring comfort, inspiration and support to me. I will cherish our times together. We were not always together but she was never far from my heart an that will remain the same until we meet again. Love you mom



BJ Nolan/daughter - January 23 at 02:27 PM



“ A Angel at peace at Las! I love you Mom Paula Jean



Paula Nolan - January 22 at 06:46 PM