



Mrs. Betty Jean Grooms

November 15, 1931 - January 2, 2022

Mrs. Betty Capehart Grooms of Graham, Alabama passed on January 2, 2022 at the age of 90. She was born November 15, 1931 to the late James Ezra (Buddy) Cospers and the late Ila Ward Cospers. Her father farmed in Alabama and Georgia while raising their six children.

Betty loved teaching herself to play piano and memorizing many Cokesbury hymns. She very much enjoyed running, so playing basketball on her high-school team was her fun.

While in high school, she met Hoyt Junior Capehart of Woodland Alabama on a blind date (with her sister, Jackie Cospers & Bovard Rampy). They married and moved to Atlanta for Junior's jobs at General Motors and Southern Bell, and 44 years of homemaking, sewing, chaperoning band trips/camps, and serving at Winters Chapel United Methodist Church in Doraville, Georgia followed. After 30 years service at Southern Bell, they retired in 1982 and moved back to Graham, Alabama (where years of gardens and a few rows of cotton became their norm) until Junior passed in April, 1990.

Betty spent much time with her mother and family while living in Graham. Betty's mother, Ila, kept telling her about her "fixit man Ed". After many months she convinced them toward one another. Betty and Ed quickly became each others' favorite and soon married (with all their children by them) in 1992.

Amidst years of Ed's fixing anything for anybody anywhere at anytime, life was very full raising and breeding horses and having grandkids visit. Ed became a United Methodist Church local pastor (serving many churches over their 29-year marriage).

Betty enjoyed serving with with him in many church ministries: feeding the needy, visiting and studying in local prisons, having weekly singalongs and worship at many assisted-living homes. It was their way to give back and show His love to all. Health issues crept in and soon retiring from their full-time ministry was needed.

In addition to her parents, Betty was preceded in death by her baby brother, Albert Ward Cosper; her twin brothers James Jerry and Ezra Terry Cosper; & her sister, Jackie Cosper Rampy.

Betty is survived by her husband Ed Grooms (Graham) and her two daughters: Connie Capehart Testement (husband Larry, Braselton) & sons James Testement [Gainesville] & Spencer Testement [Atlanta], and Susan Capehart Kirkman (husband, Charles, Lawrenceville) & daughter Channing Kirkman [Decatur]).

Betty's niece, Pansy Rampy Williamson (husband, Ken, Melburne, FL; son, Derrick Williamson, Jacksonville, FL; daughter, Heather Rampy Ricks (husband, Matt, Cocoa Beach, FL; daughters, Marissa & Sophia). Her brothers, James Cosper (wife, Kay, Hampton; Sons: Phil Cosper [wife, Tammy, Buford]; Michael Cosper [wife, Kerrie, Covington] & Marty Cosper [wife, Tonya, Baghdad, KY]).

Willis Cosper (wife, Barbra, McDonough); sons, David Cosper [wife, Tracy, Talbot, TN] and Jon Cosper [wife , Michelle, Jackson, GA]).

Sisters-in-Law, Barbara Cosper and Jean Cosper [daughter, Cindy Brown] all of Bowdon.

She is also survived by Ed's four children: Gib Grooms, Bowdon (sons, Josh [wife, Allison, Carrollton], Brantley (wife, Leah, Bowdon); Doug Grooms (wife, Denise, Carrollton), son, Dusty (wife, Taylor, Bowdon); daughters Denae Grooms Elliott and Dani Grooms, Carrollton); Gina Grooms Brown (husband, Rodney (RB), Carrollton), sons, Drew Roberts, Carrollton and Taylor Roberts (Atlanta). RB's son, Noah Brown (wife, Sarah) & daughter, Rachel Brown, Bremen); Eric Grooms [wife, Natalie] sons Nate & Graycen.

Betty and Ed were blessed with 13 great grandchildren.

Visitation with family will be at Rainwater Funeral Home in Bowdon, Georgia from 3:00 till 5:00 PM (Georgia Time) on Thursday, January 6, 2022.

Bethlehem-Campground United Methodist Church in Graham, Alabama will hold her funeral at 1:00 PM (Georgia time) on Friday, January 7, 2022.

Personal friend & retired Baptist minister Paul Widner will be lovingly officiating Betty's life celebration alongside UMC/retired local pastor, Ed Grooms. Her pallbearers will be her cherished grandsons: James & Spencer Testament; Dusty, Josh, Brantley, Nate & Graycen Grooms; Drew & Taylor Roberts.

Betty requested donations be designated to the Sibley Heart Center, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Inc. in lieu of flowers. Donations can be mailed to: ^{[[SEP]]}Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation^{[[SEP]]} 1575 Northeast Expressway^{[[SEP]]} Atlanta, GA 30329

Our entire family would like to thank the doctors and nurses at both Wedowee Emergency and Tanner Medical Center, many church friends, extended family

and neighbors for their love, care and prayers for our treasured mother, Nana Betty throughout her life. She deeply loved us well and will stay in all our hearts, guiding us by her legacy.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Campground Cemetery

25423 Co Rd 87
Graham, AL 36263

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home
317 North Carroll Street
Bowdon, GA 30108
(770) 258-7239
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Campground Cemetery
25423 Co Rd 87
Graham, AL 36263

Tribute Wall

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“ *Scott Noles Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Grooms*



Scott Noles family - January 13, 2022 at 03:06 PM

VW

“ *Vickie Lott Welch lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Grooms*



Vickie Lott Welch - January 08, 2022 at 12:57 AM

VW

Gina you and the boys are in my prayers

Vickie Lott Welch - January 08, 2022 at 12:57 AM



“ *39 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Rainwater Funeral Home - January 06, 2022 at 03:24 PM

SF

“ *Sending love and prayers. Love Danny, Shawna, Asher, Sawyer, and Roan Fitzpatrick*

Shawna Fitzpatrick - January 05, 2022 at 04:02 PM

CH

“ *Connie And David Hyatt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean Grooms*



Connie and David Hyatt - January 04, 2022 at 09:23 PM

WC

“ *So Sorry for her passing.*

Will. Cushing - January 03, 2022 at 07:55 PM

KK

“ *One of the most precious ladys ever. Her smile and voice lit up the church every Sunday. She will be sorely missed. Praying for her family.*

Karen Korb - January 03, 2022 at 05:38 PM

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SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT BETTY. SHE ALWAYS HAD A SMILE. PRAYING FOR THE GROOMS FAMILY.

SANDRA & EARVIN TRAYLOR - January 04, 2022 at 04:27 PM

SG

prayers for edgar and children. Betty was a good woman. Sandra Chance Grooms

sandra chance grooms - January 05, 2022 at 03:03 PM