



## Betty M. Ancrum

October 10, 1946 - February 1, 2017

Betty Mae Ancrum was born on October 10, 1946 in Charleston, South Carolina to the late Thelma Wigfall Shaw and stepfather Bennie Lee Shaw and departed this life on February 1, 2017 in Melbourne, FL. She was married to the love of her life, the late Robert Louis Ancrum.

Betty was a colorful and lively spirit who engaged people with her soft-spoken voice and vibrant personality. She had one of the most powerful spirits full with love, joy, peace and grace. A neighbor describes her as one of the kindest persons she had ever met. She would compliment you in a way that made you feel as if she knew and cared about everything that was going on in your life. Her infectious laugh was certain to bring a smile to any face around her, yet her dismay with your actions would also be communicated through the “sucking of her teeth” and “rolling of her eyes.” Oh, how we will miss those signature expressions of our beloved “BT” as called by her beloved late husband Robert. A woman of style, Betty adored hats and proudly wore an array of them with her own eclectic elegance. You very seldom caught her slipping when it came to fashion, she was stylish and well put together with closets full of clothes to prove it.

Betty worked in logistics at the Naval shipyard in Charleston and was cited in the newspaper as the first woman forklift driver at the shipyard. She accepted Christ into her heart and Her faith was very important to her as illustrated in her prayer life and love of the Word. Betty not only talked about the Bible or Christianity, she lived it daily! Family is one word that describes Betty. She

loved her parents and shared stories about life lessons from her beloved grandmother, Georgiana. Being the oldest of 10 children, she shared special relationships with all of her siblings, and they were often the topic of conversation. Betty was fiercely protective of her children and took pride in her home and especially her meals. "Beans" as she was affectionately called by family and friends was an exceptional cook and enjoyed good food and preparing meals for her family. Everyone wanted to place their feet under her dinner table and enjoy her latest creation. You were never a stranger in her presence or at her table, because she made you feel a part of her family. Her huge presence will be sorely missed by her family and friends. Those left to carry on her sweet spirit are her children: Ramona Turner Scott (Juan), Tonnia Turner Smalls (Mitchum), Ronald Turner, Jr., Essence Turner-Ancrum, and Nikkia Turner-Ancrum. Her siblings, Osborn L. Shaw (Susan), Peggy A. Haynes (Issac), Sandra A. Kearse (Carroll), Karen R. Robinson (Timothy), Lenoir R. Russell (Jeremiah), Cheryl R. Shaw, Dernice Armbrust (Dwight), Geona Shaw-Johnson (Charles), Bennie L. Shaw (Michelle); aunt Emily White, ; uncle Sherman Shaw. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Funeral Services for Ms. Betty Ancrum will be held 11:30 am on Thursday, February 09, 2017 at the South Canton Funeral Home located at 3147 Marietta Hwy, Canton, GA 30114. Gregory B. Levett and Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory Inc. 770.285.6673. In lieu of flowers the family is requesting that you visit the following link [www.Heart.Org](http://www.Heart.Org) ( Betty's Fund ). In the Search Bar enter Memorial Page choose #1 and enter I last name Ancrum and press find a fund and donate.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I had the honor and blessing of knowing Betty through her oldest daughter. Ramona. We were room mates and Miss Betty would visit regularly. She had a kind and gentle spirit but was also loads of fun. She loved her children and would do anything to protect them. I have very fond memories of her. I know she is greatly missed. We will see her again in heaven one day. Fondly, Karen Harrington Owens

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**Karen. Owens** - February 09, 2017 at 09:03 AM

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“ Betsy as I affectionately call my big sister I hope your up there singing In the presence of the King. I remember how you loved to sing and God gifted you with a beautiful voice. Will miss your gentle spirit and fiesty words. Thank you for your love, advice, and encouragement over the years.,and for telling me like it is! I thought you slipped out a little too soon, but I know there's no better place to be than in the presence of the King! Love ya Betsy, will miss our talks. . .



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**Cheryl R. Shaw** - February 07, 2017 at 02:05 AM