



Mrs. Betty R. Davis

June 6, 1942 - December 10, 2024

Mrs. Betty R. Davis, 82 of Ellenwood, GA passed on December 10, 2024. Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, December 21, 2024 at 12 Noon at Mt. Ephraim M.B. Church 1202 W. Marietta St. NW Atlanta, GA 30318. Interment Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held on Friday, December 20, 2024 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Rainbow Park Baptist Church 2941 Columbia Dr. Decatur, GA 30034. Please express your condolences on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory South Dekalb Chapel 404.241.5656.

For Live Streaming options, you may visit Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church Facebook page at 12 Noon on Saturday, December 21, 2024.

Born on June 6, 1942, to beloved parents Willie and Nervie Ivey (predeceased) in Warrenton Georgia, Betty was the youngest of six children (predeceased siblings Willie, Jessie, Leroy, Mary and Naomi). Although the youngest, Betty's "take charge" spirit, personality, and attitude burst through at an early age. She was blessed with a wonderful and loving childhood that helped to craft her into the caring, and nurturing woman she became. Being raised in the church, Betty's relationship with the lord started at an early age. Not surprisingly, she loved to sing and praise the Lord.

After graduating from McDuffie County Training school in Thomson, Georgia, Betty decided to move to the big city of Atlanta where her older sister Mary was already residing. She enjoyed her time living in the city and making new friends. Betty loved to share that she was a true “Fox” back in her day. Although living in Atlanta, Betty had a “Suitor” waiting in New York for her to join him to be married. But as faith would have it, one day she saw this handsome man with curly hair by the name of Beauford Franklin Davis, and she was truly smitten. So much so, she never made it to New York! Betty married the love of her life, Beauford, on December 24, 1962. Sorry, Charlie.

On May 5th, 1965, Betty & Beauford, welcomed their first child, Greta Felecia Davis. Immediately a deep mother daughter love connection was formed that continued until her last breaths. In 1975, Greta finally convinced Betty & Beauford that she was lonely and she begged them for a sibling.

On April 26, 1976, Betty’s baby boy, Beauford La’keith Davis was born and just like that, another love affair began. Up until her last days, all her beloved son needed to do was walk in the room, and a smile would come upon her face as though a prince had entered. She loved and supported him in every endeavor.

Betty’s example of motherhood was exceptional as she constantly exhibited her love language through Acts of Service, Quality Time, Words of Affirmation, and Physical touch.

Her love and spirit was infectious as it spilled over into her community, organizations, extended family, and church.

Moving to Atlanta, and leaving Rocky Branch Baptist Church in Mayfield, Georgia, Betty first faithfully attended Pilgrim Baptist Church, before joining New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church where she faithfully served for several

decades. In the late 1980s, God led Betty to Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church, under the leadership of Dr. Rev. R.L. White, where she became an active and dedicated member. Betty quickly became very well known throughout the church. She faithfully served on the Social & Welcome Committee and worked on numerous women's conferences. Betty also first served as vice president of the Robert E. Owens Missionary Unit and then as President of the unit for fourteen years. She was also an active member of the Mother's Board in her later years.

Betty used her many talents to serve and support her church. She made floral arrangements, led numerous outreach efforts, and cooked for many activities and events. But what Betty was most known for was being a "Master Fundraiser." She had her own self-appointed dedicated space in the vestibule of the church, where she would jokingly tell church friends to "meet me in my office", and they would know Betty was working towards a goal and would lovingly donate to the cause. Betty would then check them off her list! Her most proudest accomplishment was chairing one of Mt. Ephraim's biggest and most financially successful Women's Day celebrations of all times. It was truly a grand day.

On November 19, 2007, God granted Betty with the love of her life, her one and only grandchild, Milan Rihanna Davis. Move over Greta and Keith, a new princess has arrived! In true Betty fashion, Milan immediately had everything she should could possibly need and want. We knew Betty was an exceptional mother but she was truly born to be an AMAZING GRANDMOTHER. Their love affair developed immediately and continued to grow and grow. At a very young age, Milan chose to affectionally call her "Mama". Betty showed Milan love in so many ways and taught her many lessons along the way about love, friendship, faith, respect, and family history. Her spirit and love will forever be with her baby girl, Milan.

Betty's journey on earth has been a blessing to so many. She had a gift of making everyone feel that they were best friends. Even strangers who she had just met! Her spirit, energy, laughter, joy, and words of encouragement touched many hearts. She loved helping people and considered it her true outreach ministry. Her legacy of acts of service, inspiration, and love will forever be treasured.

Betty leaves to cherish her memory; children Greta and Beauford (Beau) Davis, granddaughter Milan R. Davis; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends near and far.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

5755 Mallory Rd
College Park, Ga

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainbow Park Baptist Church
2941 Columbia Drive
Decatur, GA 30034

Celebration of Life Service

DEC **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Ephraim M.B. Church
1202 W. Marietta St. NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

Tribute Wall

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“Greta, Keith and Milan. May your beautiful relationship and memories with your Mom/Grandmother, Ms. Betty “Missionary “ Davis give you peace today and the days ahead. Such an amazing lady! Still to this day, I hold fast to her wise, Holy Spirit filled counsel “Peace Be Still.” I am honored for the privilege of crossing her path. Prayer and Hugs,
Lisa Watkins Scott



Lisa Scott - December 21, 2024 at 12:59 PM

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“My sincere sorrow to Greta, Milan, and Keith through this grief journey. Betty leaves her legacy and love for life to you in spirit. You will always be the light that brought her joy. Barbara Ivey White

Barbara White - December 21, 2024 at 08:39 AM

DR

“Sincere condolences to Greta, Keith and Mulan. Betty was a wonderful person and my family will miss her so much. We have been in each others lives for a very long time. So sorry for your loss, Delores Rosser, Chrystal Jones and Cydney Jones. We love you all.

Delores Rosser - December 17, 2024 at 04:10 PM



“Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Betty R. Davis.



December 17, 2024 at 02:02 PM

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“ *Pastor Darrel & Tara Williams and family. We send our precious words of love and kindness. Mother Betty Davis called at Mt. Ephraim as Missionary Davis. She was a fundraiser and dedicated to her church. Betty always laughed and loved everyone. I can sincerely say she didn't have a bad will in her heart for anyone. We thank God for sharing her life with us and the many ways and words we learned from being her friend. We pray for her family, God bless them.*

Darrel Williams - December 16, 2024 at 08:46 PM

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“ *Greta, Keith, Mulan. "Earth has no sorrows that Heaven cannot Heal". We love You. Vernell W. Douglas and Family.*

Vernellwdouglas - December 16, 2024 at 08:28 PM