



Betty Ann McGuire

October 11, 1941 - January 4, 2021

Betty McGuire, 79, of Decatur, GA passed on Monday January 4, 2021. Betty Ann McGuire was the third born child out of 15 children of Carey and Malissa Davis. She was born and raised on South Hairston Road in Stone Mountain, GA. She graduated from Hamilton High School in DeKalb County where she was a safety patrol. Her brother, Sonny introduced her to his best friend from high school, Mercer McGuire and the two of them became inseparable. Shortly after their marriage, Mercer lost his vision. Betty stood by his side and gave 100% support to him. She became his eyes and they didn't miss a beat! She helped him to grow a stellar business with Georgia Co-op for the Blind, resulting in numerous awards and recognitions. She transported him to and from work daily and made sure he was dressed in the best.

They were parents of four children – Paula, Valissa, Mercer and Pamela. Two of them are founding members of the International Recording trio, D'Vine. Betty not only raised their four children, but she became a surrogate mother for many of her children's friends. She was an Uber Driver before Uber existed. She transported her children and their friends to and from extracurricular school activities everyday.

Betty Ann joined Big Miller Grove Baptist Church in Lithonia, GA at a young age along with her family. She was very active and served on the Deaconess Board. She sang with the R. Bryant Choir, ushered on the Number 2 Usher

Board, and helped with Vacation Bible School and other special projects. She was also a devoted member of the Albert McGuire Cemetery Committee for more than 20 years.

Betty was a Master of many trades. She was an excellent cook, home decorator, painter, repairwoman, seamstress, gardener, and had many other skills. She cooked so well that she could have easily opened her own restaurant if there were more hours in the day. She cooked and prepared three homemade meals everyday for her family. It was not uncommon when Mercer returned from work and their children from school to find the house totally remodeled with fresh paint and furniture rearranged. She could also fish and hunt.

Betty and Mercer celebrated 50 years of marriage. She was his caregiver from the very beginning and until the end when Mercer needed a kidney transplant. In addition to taking care of her own family, she provided care over the years to many others who moved into the family home to receive a helping hand during their time of need.

Betty Ann left her family and friends for heaven on Monday, January 4, 2021. She will be missed. She was preceded in death by her husband, Mercer G. McGuire. She leaves to cherish her memories and carry on her legacy four children – Paula McGuire Turner (Franklin), Valissa McGuire Asbey, Mercer McGuire, Jr (Betty) and Pamela McGuire Deas (Dr. Brian Deas); one granddaughter, Crystal Nicole Hamilton (Arsenio); five grandsons, Marcus, Justin, Gregory, Jr, Trayvon, and Khalil; five great-children, Zymir, ZyKi, Carianna, Jakayla, and Je’ahnna; siblings, Lavonnia Maddox, Juanita Robinson, Eva McGuire, Leslie Davis, Brenda Davis, and Helen Davis; three sister-in-laws, Bobbie Davis, Willie Pearl Thornton, Barbara McGuire, and Fannie Bigsby; Godsons, Minister Eric Parks and Raymond Sallie; Goddaughters, Marica Chislom, Victoria Hackney, and Leondra Alexandra;

her beloved dog, Gigsy; and a host nieces, nephews, family, friends and a dear friend, Porsha Harper.

In lieu of flowers, the family of Betty Ann McGuire cordially request donations to Big Miller Grove Baptist Church. Donations will be contributed to fundraising efforts of organ transplant and medical patients.

Please forward donations via CashApp: \$BettyMcGuireFund

or mail to:

Big Miller Grove Baptist Church
3800 Miles E. Fowler Way
Stonecrest, GA 30038
c/o Betty McGuire Transplant Fund
(770) 981-3800

Cemetery Details

Albert McGuire Cemetery

Giles Road, near Wellborn Road & Covington
Highway
Lithonia, GA

Previous Events

Graveside Service - Live Streamed

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Giles Road, near Wellborn Road & Covington Highway
Lithonia, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a [Click here for Live Stream in memory of Betty Ann McGuire](#)*



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - January 09, 2021 at 10:03 AM



This was a beautiful service for a beautiful woman who loved God. Rest well Sister Betty. Thank you for all the kindness you and your family have shown to me and my husband. Love, MJ Stanton

Maggie Stanton - January 09, 2021 at 12:09 PM

DM

My Heartfelt Condolences In This Time Of Grief And Loss. God Bless You And Keep You.

Dorsey. Martha. - January 09, 2021 at 12:10 PM

MA

My deepest sympathy goes out to the McGuire family. Betty was such a wonderful person who I have enjoyed working with on the #2 ushers ministry. She was full of life, joy, happiness and love. She will truly be missed and I am praying God's continue strength and love for you all.

To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Betty is smiling saying she has made it over to be with Jesus and with Mercer.

Love and prayers,

*Deacon Joe & Min. Gwendolyn Artis
BMG*

Min. Gwendolyn Artis - January 09, 2021 at 12:13 PM

SW

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy to the family,
Love Anthony & Sandra Williams*

Sandra Williams - January 18, 2021 at 12:03 PM

PH

“ *This was such a beautiful Homegoing Service for such a beautiful woman of God. I thank and praise God for placing Betty in my life. I always called Betty "Sweet Pea," and she would say, "no one else can called me this name but you." Betty was my best friend and I loved her very much. She will be missed, but as we know, "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." Rest on my Sweet Pea, for you are now with the Lord.*



To Paula, Bubble, Velissa and Pam my prayers are with you and the family. Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of such a beautiful, loving and kind mother.

May God continue to watch over you and keep you all in His loving care.

Blessings and Hugs...Portia

Portia E Harper - January 09, 2021 at 01:56 PM

PH

“ *Portia E Harper lit a candle in memory of
Betty Ann McGuire*



Portia E Harper - January 09, 2021 at 01:32 PM

BL

“ To the family: we loved your mom dearly and we will miss her. We will continue to pray for you all as you go forward without her daily conversations. I will truly miss her fried catfish as we all know she was a wonderful cook. Please do not hesitate to call if you need a comforting word. We love you and may the peace of God bring you through the days ahead.
Brenda and Taize Turner

Brenda Lane-Turner - January 09, 2021 at 10:53 AM

SV

“ Our sincere condolences. We are so very sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful neighbor and we loved living next door to her. I will miss our driveway chats. Sherri VanNoy

Sherri VanNoy - January 09, 2021 at 10:52 AM

KE

“ My sincere and deepest condolences to the McGuire family. I pray God will give you strength and peace during this difficult time.
Kennard Edwards and family.

Kennard Edwards - January 09, 2021 at 10:52 AM

HS

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. My prayers remain with thousands all. Heather Smith

Heather Smith - January 09, 2021 at 10:44 AM

