



Betty Jo Clarke Davis

May 15, 1927 - March 28, 2020

Betty Jo Clarke Davis, 92, was reunited with her husband of 67 years, Don on March 28, 2020 when she passed from this life into eternal life with Jesus. A native of Greer, daughter of the late Thomas J. and Jesse Dill Clarke, she lived in Greer and Greenville SC before moving to Spartanburg with her husband in 1956. After raising her two boys, she started a 25-year career serving as an administrative assistant to the Rev. Ronald Wells and the Rev. Robert Morgan at First Baptist Church of Spartanburg, where she was also a member. Upon retiring from First Baptist Church in 1999, Betty volunteered in various capacities at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center, well into her 80's. Betty was an incredibly loving and supportive wife who took selfless care of her husband as he lived with his own health challenges at the end of his life. She was a loving, supportive and nurturing mother always proud of and interested in what her boys were doing and how things were with their families. She loved deeply her grandchildren always wanting to know what was new with Amanda, Ben, Sydney and Caroline – and in her last days, with her new great granddaughter Clarke. And she was a great friend to so many whether from her childhood, the church, choir tour, Spartanburg Regional or elsewhere. Always quick witted and ready to have fun. She will be missed. Since 2014, Betty lived at White Oak Estates in Spartanburg, first in an independent living apartment, later in assisted living, and finally in the nursing center. The family would like to thank the staff of White Oak Estates for the loving care they provided for Betty these last 6 years.

Surviving are two sons, John Clarke Davis (Harriet) of Cary, NC and Tom Davis (Barbara) of Nashville, TN; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Graveside services will be held for her family on Friday, April 3, 2020 at Mountain View Cemetery conducted by Rev. Robert Morgan. A memorial service to celebrate her life will be scheduled at a later date.

The families are at their respective homes.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in her memory to the Spartanburg Regional Foundation Hospice Division (<https://regionalfoundation.com/donate-now/hospice/>).

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Tribute Wall

MS

“ Betty was such a friend to all of the Schrieffer famiy. George loved working on the church staff with her and shared many laughs with Betty. She loved our children, all five of them! She was interested in what they were doing, if they needed to reach their Daddy during the work day, she made sure to put their call through and offered a little advice along with it! Betty was a cheerful encourager. To our family she was a very special friend.
Met Schrieffer

Met Schrieffer - April 13, 2020 at 12:43 PM

RC

“ Tom and John and families. I will never forget the great times we had at my Papa Dill's birthday parties in Caroleen, NC. That was over 60 years ago. Even then, your mother and dad were two very special members of our family. My mother Mildred and dad Ted loved all our family from Greer. That was a very special time in our lives when we had such a large loving family. God's blessings to you all.
Rusty Cabaniss
Boiling Springs, SC

Rusty Cabaniss - April 02, 2020 at 03:43 PM

FB

“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Betty Davis. I remember her well at First Baptist Church.



Fran Bagwell - April 02, 2020 at 01:03 PM

KC

“ Oh how I loved spending time with Betty. Talking about her needlepoint pillow/pictures and many other things. She would always say “now don’t forget to come back and see me again “ whenever I had to leave. What a great woman. Even after I left WOE I would stop by just to see my friend. Was just thinking about her last week. I shall truly miss her.

Kathy Chandler - April 01, 2020 at 04:18 PM

CF

“ While I do not remember Betty Joe, I do remember Aunt Jessie and Uncle Tom as lovely people. My grandfather was Gabe Clarke, Tom’s brother. My mother, Joyce Clarke Bridges, was Betty Joe’s first cousin and spoke well of her often. Keeping the family in my thoughts and prayers. With sympathy, Cheryl Bridges Ferguson

Cheryl Bridges Ferguson - April 01, 2020 at 08:03 AM