



## Betty J. Thompson

September 22, 1932 - October 5, 2023

Betty Jo Thompson, 91, of Greer, SC passed away October 5, 2023.

Born September 22, 1932, in Cashville, SC to the late Thomas Wayman Perry and Annie Faye Neal.

Betty was an extraordinary woman, she had many careers, including being an early employee for the opening of the Greenville Spartanburg Airport, former owner of the Lyman Restaurant, she was a bookkeeper for Southeastern Truss, and she was a Master Barber at Hair Trends for over 30 years, giving advice to everyone on how to navigate this life. She was appointed by former Governor David M. Beasley in 1996 and then James H. Hodges to the South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners. She was a founding member and Elder at Memorial Drive Baptist Church in Greer, SC for over 30 years.

Surviving are her four children, Judy Williams Reardon (Ed), Robin Parris Orr (Kelly), Perry Joe Williams (Erin), and Tanya Leigh Thompson (Andy Edwards); six grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren.

Ms. Thompson was predeceased by a brother, J.D. Perry; and husbands, Walter W. Williams and Charles H. Thompson.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at The Wood Mortuary Chapel conducted by Rev. Steve Watson and Mr. Kelly Orr. Burial will follow in Bellview Baptist Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be held 1:00-1:45 p.m. Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at The Wood Mortuary.

The family would like to express special gratitude for the caring staff at

Brookdale Assisted Living and Traditions Hospice for taking exceptional care of our mother in her greatest time of need.

The families are at their respective homes.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Betty J. Thompson Scholarship Fund at Clemson University, 110 Daniel Drive, Clemson, South Carolina 29631, or the charity of one's choosing.

Online condolences may be made to [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Bellview Baptist Church Cemetery

901 Bellview Road  
Woodruff, SC 29388

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 10. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.  
300 W Poinsett St  
Greer, SC 29650-1595  
(864) 877-3351

## Service

OCT 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary Chapel  
300 West Poinsett Street  
Greer, SC 29650  
(864) 877-3351  
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

# Tribute Wall

PT

“ I too grew up in Cashville where you knew everyone.. I rode to work in Woodruff with Mrs Faye...Her Mom & Dad were precious & my brother was friends with JD...She spoke highly of Betty Jo & her grands ..Mrs Faye was so proud I remember when Tanya was born..Prayers for peace & comfort in the days ahead.

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**Peggy DeYoung Turner** - October 10, 2023 at 08:07 AM

RC

“ What a wonderful life Ms. Betty lived. She was beloved by so many and we are so glad that she touched our lives and we just want to say we love you to all the family. Love, Rick and Lynn Crain

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**Rick L. Crain** - October 09, 2023 at 10:23 PM

KW

“ Robin, sorry for the passing of your Mom. She's in a better place. And we will see our loved ones again. Praying for y'all

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**Karen Woodward** - October 09, 2023 at 10:16 PM

FW

*She was a wonderful lady. We are so sorry. Prayers.*

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**Frank and Cynthia Woodruff** - October 10, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Betty J. Thompson.



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October 09, 2023 at 09:30 PM

RD

“ *Ruthann D. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty J. Thompson.*

Ruthann D. - October 09, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Betty J. Thompson.*



October 09, 2023 at 03:31 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Betty J. Thompson.*



October 09, 2023 at 11:49 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Betty J. Thompson.*



October 08, 2023 at 07:38 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Betty J. Thompson.*



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October 08, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betty J. Thompson.

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October 07, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty J. Thompson.*



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October 07, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ *I knew Betty at the shop before she retired. I would go early and we would have our special time together. She was a character and such a jewel. My life was blessed to have known her.*

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**Sue Finley** - October 07, 2023 at 04:48 PM

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“ *Every time I look in the mirror at my hair, I think of Betty. She always wanted my hair to be curly. She was a beautiful woman, inside and out. She was very special to me.*



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**Sylvia hendley** - October 07, 2023 at 01:03 PM