



Beulahmae Taylor

October 20, 1935 - March 1, 2026

Beulahmae Taylor, 90, of Petersburg, passed away on March 1, 2026, at Scott County Nursing Center in Winchester, Illinois. She was born on October 20, 1935, to John and Juanita (nèe Irwin) Ross in Tallula, Illinois. She was the youngest of four children.

After graduating from Tallula High School, Beulahmae (known as Bea) worked in Springfield before moving to the Chicago area in the early 1960's with her husband, Ward Taylor of Greenview.

As a working mother with three children, she built a successful career in real estate, working both in the Chicago area and later Puerto Rico.

In retirement, Bea started a snorkel and sail business in Key Largo, Florida, before eventually returning to Illinois.

In 2020, urged by her niece, Holly Crowl and her husband Matt, Bea moved to the Petersburg area and settled on Lake Petersburg. She loved her time on the lake, and many will remember her fondly as "Aunt Boo".

Bea is survived by her children, Ross Randall Taylor and Debra Suzanne Williams; four grandchildren, Ross Stevenson (UK), Lisa Arballo (OR), Laura Martin (UK), and Michael Taylor (CA); and four great-grandchildren in the

United Kingdom.

Bea was preceded in death by her parents; her siblings, John Ross, Norma Conkey, and Marilyn Wilson; and a son, Paul E. Taylor.

Bea also treasured her extended family, including Logan Crowl; Taylor and Greg Kolwicz; Juan Arballo; Leslie Taylor; and Kirris Williams.

Cremation rites were accorded and a Celebration of Life is being planned for later this year.

Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg is assisting Bea's family with arrangements. Please visit hurleyfh.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am trying to pot the following on the Funeral Home website:
“Bea was an extraordinary friend to me for the past 35 years. She was truly one-of-a-kind. The world is a poorer place for her no longer being in it. She was so upbeat, so fun, smart, open, wise, caring, thoughtful and adventurous. I had the good fortune to travel with her over the years, to many places including the Orinoco River of Venezuela, the south and west coasts of Ireland, to Funchal, Madeira and sailing among the Grenadine Islands. Like many others, I cherished her friendship and her presence in our lives is sorely missed.”

Erin Boroumand - March 23 at 08:51 AM

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“ Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Beulahmae Taylor



Larry and Mary Hundt - March 18 at 08:41 AM

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“ Prayers for Bea’s family. I got a few really good recipes from her 💖 and really enjoyed listening to her talk about her adventures. RIP Blessings to her family at this time.

Dana Blair - March 17 at 10:10 AM