



Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing

January 9, 1938 - January 7, 2017

Elizabeth (Betty) June Dearing, 78, of Peoria, IL, passed away on January 7, 2017 at Farmington Country Manor Nursing Home. She was born in Springfield, IL, on January 9, 1938 to her biological parents, Harry and Elizabeth Childers, and had seven biological siblings; Bill (Eula) Childers, Wayne Childers, Walter Childers, Fred Childers, Art Childers and Jimmy Childers. She was raised by her foster parents, Ora and Dollie Walker, and had a foster sister, Roberta (Glen) Clark, and a foster brother, Billy Walker.

Betty married Melvin Dearing at the Tallula Baptist Church on June 26, 1955. She was a dedicated housewife and Mother raising her children and working in the cafeteria of Monroe Grade School and Limestone High School where her children attended. She was a dedicated member of Bartonville Christian Church where she worked alongside her husband, Melvin, at the food pantry, active in the CWA as an officer and hostess, a member of the Saturday morning ladies prayer group, helped with funeral dinners, attended bible studies, and a part of the BCC Riders Group. She was also Key Lady at Washington Christian Village, a member of the AMA and worked with the Women's Auxiliary at the Peoria Motorcycle Club. She always loved to watch the St. Louis Cardinal and Chicago Bulls games with her husband and her favorite retreat was to visit Rev. Billy Graham.

Betty leaves six children; Mike Dearing, Kevin (Margie) Dearing, Mason

Dearing, Chris Dearing, Robin (Ericka) Dearing and Dawn Dearing-Harbison. She also leaves thirteen grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, a sister-in-law, Eula, and her foster sister, Roberta Clark.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband, her biological parents, her seven biological brothers, her foster parents, and a foster brother.

A visitation will be held at the Bartonville Christian Church, 4900 Pfeiffer Rd. Bartonville, IL, 61607, on Wednesday January 11, 2017, from 4:30 pm to 7 pm with a service following the visitation. There will also be a service on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 10:30 am at Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg, IL, with a graveside service following. Pastor Kevin Dell and Jack Thompson will be officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Betty Dearing memorial fund.

Please visit Betty's obituary online at hurleyfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bartonville Christian Church
4900 Pfeiffer Rd.
Bartonville, IL 61607

Funeral

JAN 11. 7:00 PM (CT)

Bartonville Christian Church
4900 Pfeiffer Rd.
Bartonville, IL 61607

Funeral

JAN 12. 10:30 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg
122 West Douglas Avenue
Petersburg, IL 62675
(217) 632-2500
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Tribute Wall

RC

“ *Betty was my aunt I'm Fred son one of them I only got to see Betty a few times in life before she passed my dad talked highly of his sister I loved and will miss aunt betty*

Robert Childers - April 13, 2024 at 07:22 PM



“ *Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM

KR

“ *Thoughts and Prayers for all family. May you all find peace in the wonderful lifetime of memories you've made with your parents. Hugs, Kelly (Dearing) Reffett*

Kelly (Dearing) Reffett - January 12, 2017 at 10:51 PM

JR

“ *Joan Resler lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing*



Joan Resler - January 12, 2017 at 11:32 AM

JR

Our condolence to the Dearing family.

Joan Resler - January 12, 2017 at 11:34 AM

 Ketra
Lynn

“ *Ketra Lynn lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing*



Ketra Lynn - January 11, 2017 at 11:45 PM

MW

“ *Our condolences to the lost of your dear Christian mother. We remember her working with us at Monroe Grade School. Betty & I shared a seminary in Lincoln for Christians. Mary Lou & Lorris Woodmancy*

Mary Lou Woodmancy - January 11, 2017 at 04:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing.*



January 11, 2017 at 10:52 AM

JG

“ *I always enjoyed being around Cousin Melvin & Betty. They always made me smile and have a great time. I will miss them and have wonderful memories of all the times we were together at reunions or at their home. Prayers for all the kids.*

*Love,
Janet (Dearing) Gonzalez*



Janet (Dearing) Gonzalez - January 11, 2017 at 07:15 AM

MC

I'm so Sorry Kelly! May the Lord grant you and your Family peace in your hearts. My condolences!

Maryland Caraballo - January 11, 2017 at 06:51 PM

NM

“ *I hold such beautiful, and happy memories of time spent with Betty. Clyde and I married and we experienced raising our families together. Betty and I cooked many family meals together, exchanging recipes, and enjoyed many fun times with joking and having fun with each other's children. We gave each other home permanents when they were needed and many times shared our faith in the Lord. Life was so much fun back in the good ole days. I will always remember her voice and her beautiful ways of showing love to all around her.*

Nancy (Dearing) Mangold

Nancy Mangold - January 10, 2017 at 08:43 PM

VD

“ *Venita Dearing lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing*



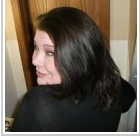
Venita Dearing - January 10, 2017 at 06:19 PM

KS

“ *Kris Meier, Sorry For Your Sadness. lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing*

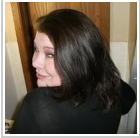


Kris Meier, sorry for your sadness. - January 10, 2017 at 01:36 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss.

Brooke Cox Dearing - January 10, 2017 at 01:11 PM



“ Brooke Cox Dearing lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth June "Betty" Dearing



Brooke Cox Dearing - January 10, 2017 at 01:10 PM



“ I wish we didn't live so far away from Aunt Betty and her family. The couple times I did get to spend with her showed me what a wonderful, caring person she was. My dad always spoke of her as his baby sister. Ride the clouds with Uncle Melvin. I know you're happy being back with him. Love you Aunt Betty.

Diana Rodgers - January 10, 2017 at 01:01 PM