



Betty Jean Sheppard

July 20, 1928 - September 22, 2020

Betty Jean Sheppard, age 92, passed away on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 in Lexington. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Lexington and co-owner of Lexington Lumber. She is survived by 2 sons, Terry Sheppard (Marlane) of Lexington and Tony Sheppard (Rachel) of Louisville, KY; 1 daughter, Judy Duke (Randell) of Lexington; 7 grandchildren, Brian Duke, Brent Duke, Brad Duke, Heather Sheppard, Torrey Sheppard, Lydia Sheppard, and Matthew Sheppard; 11 great grandchildren, Kristen Holder (Jonathan), Kaeli Duke, Lexi Duke, Ashton Duke, Dani Duke, Jesi Duke, Madison Pratt, Brenden Pratt, MyKenzi Duke, MyKayla Duke, and MyKinah Duke; and 2 great grandchildren, Hallie Holder and Hudson Holder. She was preceded in death by her husband, Varnel Sheppard; and parents, Robert and Jewel Pope. Funeral services will be on Thursday, September 24 at 11AM at Reed's Chapel with burial to follow at Henderson County Memory Gardens. Visitation will be on Thursday from 9AM until service. Due to COVID-19 the family request that all attendees wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines. The family has requested in lieu of flowers that memorials be given to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

LE

“ *Lisa Lewis Evans lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sheppard*



Lisa Lewis Evans - September 24, 2020 at 12:31 PM

BS

“ So sorry for your loss 🙏



Bonnie Seawright - September 24, 2020 at 11:15 AM

CH

“ *What a sweet neighbor Ms Betty was. Shortly after moving to the neighborhood, our dog Phoebe started showing up at our back door with a perfect, fresh biscuit in her mouth. Occasionally it was a slice of pizza or once, a perfect piece of apple pie. We had no idea where the food was coming from until a few months later when we ran into Ms Betty and she said she had been missing our dog's morning visits. (We had started keeping her confined to the back yard so she wouldn't bother the neighbors.) From that point on, there was a special bond with this precious lady. She truly made a difference in this world, even in "small" ways; she will be missed. Prayers for the family.*

Chris Hardy - September 24, 2020 at 09:47 AM

LE

“ Prayers for the family...Ms.Betty was a sweet lady



Linda Elam - September 23, 2020 at 10:17 PM

DD

“ Donna Darrough lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sheppard



Donna Darrough - September 23, 2020 at 08:50 PM

AK

“ She was s great neighbor and friend to our family. Our hearts and prayers are with all of you during this time and in the days to come. Love Glenn and Anna



anna kirk - September 23, 2020 at 08:25 PM

JD

“ Deepest sympathy to all the family Betty and Varnel were great neighbors and good friends



Joyce Dyer - September 23, 2020 at 04:32 PM

CT

“ Mrs. Sheppard was the sweetest neighbor! My family has so many precious memories of her and Mr. Sheppard while living next door to them on Scott St...from sharing a meal, helping clean up the yards after a big storm, to her calling to tell us to join her in her storm shelter before a tornado! She was just the most beautiful Christian lady who loved her family, her friends and most of all, she loved Jesus. We love you, Mrs. Sheppard, and I know there is a happy reunion going on in heaven! Praying for the Sheppard and Duke families. 🙏❤️

Carol Terry - September 23, 2020 at 04:31 PM

BC

“ I have known Betty all my life, God has never made a person better than her, he may have made some as good but never better. Varnel was my stepbrother and my friend, They were both good role models. Heaven now has another angel. My prayers to all of her family.

Bobby Cogdell - September 23, 2020 at 12:46 PM

PR

I have known Betty most of my life. She was such a fine Christian and I loved her dearly.
God gained an angel. May God be with her family.

peggy Robins - September 25, 2020 at 06:24 PM

LL

“ Sweet Lady
Prayers FOR THE FAMILY

PHILLIPS. AND LEWIS FAMILY



Lawndale Phillips Lewis - September 23, 2020 at 11:53 AM

IF

“ *Imogene Frye lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sheppard*



imogene frye - September 23, 2020 at 11:50 AM

IF

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family

imogene frye - September 23, 2020 at 11:51 AM

PB

Betty was a lovely Christian woman who was my friend when I lived in Lexington.

Pat Brooks - September 24, 2020 at 10:07 AM

TV

sorry for family loss praying for the family

Twayne Vestal - September 24, 2020 at 11:20 AM

AL

Our youngest daughter Rachel joined this family 27 years ago when she married Tony, Betty's youngest son. At that point Betty became another grandmother to our grandchildren and often entertained them at her home. They loved going to her house because she was so sweet to them and always had treats. They will never forget her. She was a special lady!

Agnes Lemley - September 25, 2020 at 12:05 PM