



## Betty Ruth Hollins

January 22, 1930 - August 16, 2013

### Obituary of Betty Ruth Hollins

Betty Ruth Shelfer Hollins, 83, was born in Etowah, Tennessee January 22, 1930 and died Sunday, August 18, 2013. She was the daughter of F.F. Elrod and Myrtle Miller Elrod. She had three brothers: Frank, Ralph, and L.J. and six sisters: Irma, Irene, Margaret, Mary, Virginia and Joan. She graduated from Etowah High School before coming to Leesburg in 1946. She married Edward P Shelfer and had three children: Perry Shelfer, Steve Shelfer and Ginny Shelfer Parrish. Her children blessed her with six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Ed and her daughter Ginny.

For many years she was the Director of Calvary Baptist Church Preschool. In the 1970's she continued her education becoming a Registered Nurse. She worked for Dr. William Chew, Ear, Nose, Throat specialist, and Home Health Agency.

In 1976 she married Albert Hollins adding three step-daughters, Donna Thomas, Debra Falco, and Diane Westfall and their families to her life. This brought another blessing of nine beautiful grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by her loving husband of 36 years, Al.

During her 67 years in Leesburg, Betty was an active member of First Baptist Church, and First Presbyterian Church. She enjoyed teaching children and being the Ladies Circle devotion leader. She was a loving friend who could always be counted on to say a prayer or lend a helping hand. Serving her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, was her greatest joy.

Visitation will be at Beyers Funeral Home on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 from 10:00 to 11:00 am with a service following at 11:00 am with Reverend Perry Shelfer officiating. Interment will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Leesburg. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be given to The Christian Broadcasting Network, 977 Centerville Turnpike, Virginia Beach VA 23463.

# Tribute Wall

LK

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with all. Deepest sympathy. Love to all.*

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**Leslie & Scotty Kern** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *So sorry for your loss, but Betty is celebrating her new life in Heaven with All! I Love to everyone .*

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**Tim & Fran Sullivan** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Heaven has received another Angel. So sorry for your loss, we loved her dearly.*

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**Barbara and Charlie Ward** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Betty is now at peace, she is a true example of one that has run the race and fought the fight! Of all the wonderful words that could be spoken about Betty, I will always remember her as being an encourager with those to who she graced her presence. She loved sharing news about her family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers, God Bless.*

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**Betty Woods** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *So sorry for your loss.....*

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**The Sennetts** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ Our love and sympathy goes out to the family of Betty Hollins. We are long time friends of hers and her family.... We always enjoyed so much visiting with she and Al and also walking in the Lake Square Mall with them... Betty was such a sweet sweet lady and will be missed by so many who loved her...

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**Helen & Bob Blount** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Steve and Perry, I met your mother only once, many decades ago, but I remember her graciousness on that occasion. My sincere condolences.

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**Marion P. Holt** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Sorry for your loss, I know she will be missed by all who knew her. She was one of the strongest Christian examples I have ever met and will always remember her graciousness to our family.

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**Jennifer Elrod** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Perry and Cindy, you and your family are in my prayers and in the prayers of your Martinez Church family. I talked to Lena Lane this morning. You are in her prayers. Call me on my cell if I can help back here in any way. Joyce

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**Joyce Starnes** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *OIt was my joy to have known dear Betty since meeting her in Circle at 1st Presby. Leesburg. Even in spite of her illness, she was always so "UP" each time I'd call her! What an inspiration she was to each of us that knew and loved her. I have lost a lovely friend. My sympathy to her loving family.*

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**Lois Amos** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *I'm very sorry for your loss. Many blessings to the entire family.*

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**Lynn Sennett** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *To each loved one of Betty's, may you only think back and hold the beautiful memories close to you and let the sad and bad ones go. You are examples of her love, prayers and life. She lives in each of you. Always remember one day we will meet her again, with a smile on our faces & love in our hearts and when we see her she will be smiling that awsome smile of hers. Enjoy your new home, betty, dancing and walking with Jesus. Thank you for your wonderful example of what a Christian is and how to be real.*

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**Marjorie(McKinley)McDonald** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ *Perry and Family, We were so sorry to hear of your Mothers death. It is very hard losing our parents and other loved ones. A piece of the family is missing. Betty wrote to Sarah when she lost Nicholas as she understood that kind of pain. That meant alot to all of us. You will always have your memories and these help to ease the loss. You will all be in our thoughts as you go through this difficult time. Love, Phil & Jean*

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**Phil & Jean Prevo** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Steve, I am sorry to hear of your mothers passing. Our prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Joe & Bonnie Scholl** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM