



Betty Hough

June 22, 1926 - May 2, 2014

Obituary of Betty Hough

Betty Jane Hough was born June 22, 1926 in E. St. Louis, Illinois. She met the love of her life Bob Hough in Denver Colorado in 1947. They were married in Rockford, Illinois on April 16, 1949. Betty passed away unexpectedly but peacefully on May 2, 2014 at the age of 87 following a brief illness.

Betty worked as a secretary, a bookkeeper, and then as a partner with her dear friend Carol Baker Hopkins in their Cherished Possessions estate sale business. Her most important job, though, was raising her daughters Cheryl and Karen and being the ideal wife to her beloved husband Bob for 65 wonderful years.

Everything Betty did, she did with enthusiasm and excellence: playing bridge, entertaining, gardening, cooking, golfing, playing dominos and card games, and doing puzzles. She also enjoyed traveling and of course sharing her many gifts with her family and friends.

She has gone to join her parents Art and Edna Meloan, her sister Meta Nelson, and her oldest daughter Cheryl Schmidt and son-in-law Frank Schmidt. She will be greatly missed by those of us who look forward to meeting up with her again someday, including her cherished husband Bob Hough, adoring daughter Karen Friebel and son-in-law Steve Friebel, sister Suzanne Smith and husband Dean, brother Jon Meloan and wife Gayle, sister-in-law Janet Gudie and husband Ron, grandson Matt Schmidt and wife Anna, granddaughters Cathy Lebron and husband Ismael, Jackie Williams and husband Mike, grandsons Brad Friebel and wife Amy, Andy Friebel and wife Jamie, and great-grandchildren Antoinette and Ashley Severino, Cheryl and Brent Schmidt, Eva and Nicolas Lebron, Owen, Jackson, and Shelby Williams, and the newest granddaughter-to-come Jamison Friebel. In addition to her large and loving family, Betty has been a treasured friend to so many people and spoke fondly of them all the time. Thank you all for being such an important part of her life.

We appreciate so much the kindness and care given by the nurses, doctors, and staff of The Villages Regional Hospital.

Betty will be always admired, always appreciated, always remembered, always loved, and always in our hearts. Thank you for being such an extraordinary lady.

Betty's life will be celebrated at a memorial service on Mother's Day, Sunday May 11 at 3:00 PM at Beyers Funeral Home, 134 N. Highway 27/441, Lady Lake, FL.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, or your local Humane Society or animal shelter.

Services

Betty's life will be celebrated at a memorial service on Mother's Day, Sunday May 11 at 3:00 PM at Beyers Funeral Home, 134 N. Highway 27/441, Lady Lake, FL.

Tribute Wall

KF

“ Thank you for being my beautiful mom. I miss you and think of you so much. Today is Momversary and I can't imagine that it's been 9 years. But I know you will always have my back. I was lucky to have such a great loving family. I'll be doing a few special things today on your behalf :) Love you always!
Karen

Karen Friebel - May 02, 2023 at 08:01 AM

KA

“ Thinking of you with so much love on your birthday today, Mom!
Love, Karen

Karen - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Karen, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Mary E. Reider - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Dear Uncle Bob and Karen ~ so sorry to hear about Aunt Betty's passing. I have wonderful memories of downtown shopping and lunches with her and Grandma when I was a little girl. I also remember spending fun Christmas Eves with you all at Grandma's and Grandpa's house. Aunt Betty was a very sweet lady with a gently soul. She always had kind words to say. I will keep you all in my prayers as you venture through this valley.

Jennifer Nelson Ross - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ I always loved visiting my Aunt Betty and Uncle Bob & cousins Cheryl & Karen. Aunt Betty had a great laugh & it was contagious! Deepest sympathy to Uncle Bob and cousin Karen Love (Nephew) Greg

Greg Smith - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ I still cannot believe I have lost my big sister. She was my link to the past and a wonderful friend as we grew older. I admired her, relished her great sense of humor and her laugh, her fiesty politics, her courage in the face of illness, her ability to gather friends around her, her appreciation of little things, her kindness, loyalty, and understanding. She aged gracefully and with style. My dear Janie, I adored you. Thank you for everything you gave me during my lifetime.

Sue - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Betty Hough

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