



Betty Lou Covington

November 21, 1931 - January 20, 2017

Betty Lou Covington, age 85, of Centerville, passed away on January 20, 2017 at the Golden Age Care Center in Centerville, Iowa.

Betty was born on November 21, 1931 to Carl and Mable (Lindsey) Burkland in Centerville, Iowa. She grew up and attended school in Centerville. On September 4, 1954 she was united in marriage to Isaac "Gerald" Covington in Kirksville, Missouri. To this union four children were born, Deloris, Sally, Dennis and Robert. Together Betty and Gerald shared 56 years of marriage until his passing on September 14, 2010.

Betty worked at the Berkley fishing company in Spirit Lake, Iowa as a quality control specialist in the manufacturing of fishing line until retiring in 1983. She attended the Church of the Nazarene in Moravia, Iowa. Betty was a Girl Scout leader. She loved being a mother and enjoyed cooking, vacationing and traveling. Betty was a talented seamstress, making clothes for her children, husband and cousins square dancing clothes. Her real joy in life was spending time with family and friends.

Betty is survived by her four children, Deloris Covington, Sally (Mike) French of Rosemount, MN, Dennis (Sue) Covington of Sugarland, TX, and Robert Covington of Austin, MN; two grandchildren, Filisha (Pat) Johnson and Nathan (Maryanne) French; and three great grandchildren, Jordan and Jacob

Johnson and Donovan Dentler. Betty is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Mable; her husband, Gerald Covington; and two brothers, Bill and Lawrence (Whitey).

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 26, 2017 at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Pastor Terry Chapman officiating. Burial will follow services at Hillcrest Cemetery in Moravia.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Betty Lou's family present from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A memorial has been established to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest

Moravia, IA 52571

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 25. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Funeral Service

JAN 26. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Lou Covington*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Betty Lou Covington*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Betty's passing. We lost contact with each other once she moved to Centerville. Just this am Keagan my 6 year old woke up and started talking about Betty, going to her apartment for trick or treating, or the train track she got him for Christmas a few years ago. As we both sit here crying, I want all of you children to know the impact Betty had on our life, and I will cherish all the memories Betty and I shared when I was her CDAC provider.*

Amanda Frahm - February 04, 2017 at 08:09 AM



“ *Your friends at HealthPartners IS&T purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Betty Lou Covington.*



Your friends at HealthPartners IS&T - January 25, 2017 at 11:05 AM

JH

“ I want to give my sympathy to Aunt Betty's family. She was a very nice woman. Her and Uncle Gerald when I was kid would invite me over to eat a meal with them. She was a good cook. We all will miss her very much. John and Kathy Huffman

John Huffman - January 23, 2017 at 09:25 PM

Becky
Wilcox

“ We will never forget your smile and personality. Those you have left behind will be in our thoughts and prayers

Becky Wilcox - January 22, 2017 at 08:52 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Betty Lou Covington.



January 21, 2017 at 07:39 PM

LF

“ Lots of love. Mark and Bobbie Daugherty and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Betty Lou Covington.



Lots of love. Mark and Bobbie Daugherty and family -
January 21, 2017 at 07:24 PM

AN

“ I have so many memories but the one that comes to mind first is Christmas 2015 Betty, Sue(from across the hall) decided to deliver homemade bread to some people at Benton Place Apartments we had so much fun laughing at Sue dancing with her bells on and Betty's Christmas chef hat.



Annette - January 21, 2017 at 06:58 PM

BD

“ Mama Betty has been a part of our family for years. Betty and Mary Daugherty were the best friends since school. When Mary died, She told Mark and I that she would be our mama now.



Mama Betty went to Texas for Thanksgiving one year, she really enjoyed the trip and the time she got to spend with all of us.

Rest in peace Mama Betty.

Love Mark and Bobbie Daugherty

Bobbie Daugherty - January 21, 2017 at 06:35 PM