



Betsy Barrett Criswell

August 29, 1951 - October 27, 2022

Betsy Barrett Criswell, 71, Casselberry, FL died Thursday, October 27, 2022. Betsy was born August 29, 1951 in Saltville, VA to Charles Davis & Evelyn Spence Davis. Being raised an "army brat", Betsy traveled the world with her family, living in Germany, Alaska, New Jersey & Florida to name a few. She moved to Florida permanently in 1962, where she was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church in Pine Hills, Florida. She later attended Florida Technological University (now known as UCF).

Betsy met the absolute love of her life, Dick, and they married June 29, 1975. To all who had known them, Betsy was always referred to by Dick as his Princess. They soon had two sons, Matthew and Patrick, whom she loved unconditionally and nurtured to the day she passed. Although the love of her life passed away way too soon, Betsy was blessed with many grandchildren to fill her days with beautiful memories. Betsy was so proud of her grandchildren. She was never too shy to share a story or a picture with a friend of her grandchildren.

While her boys were young, Betsy babysat as a part time job. The kids she took care of were like family to Betsy and Dick. Many today she still kept in touch with! Once the boys were older, Betsy and her long time best friend "girlfriend" as she would call her- opened a catering business. They grew an extremely successful business and had a blast. After selling their business,

Betsy became an avid quilter. Through her love of quilting she forged friendships that were irreplaceable to Betsy. Her friends were devoted and stayed by her side, especially during this past year.

Betsy is survived by her two sons Matthew (Jackie), Patrick (Carla), 6 beautiful grandchildren Aeryn, Alec, Brooke, Phoebe, Ellie and Aniston, & great grandson Wyatt. Her sister Rose Mary (Charlie), brother, Charlie (Lisa), nephews, Charles, Bill, Jason and niece, Rebecca. Many cousins, great nieces and nephews, along with many precious friends.

She is predeceased by her loving husband, Richard, mother, Evelyn Davis, and Father, Charles Davis.

We are happy she is no longer suffering and now with the love of her life, Dick in heaven.

A Christian service, celebrating the life of Betsy, will be held, Friday, November 18, 2022 at Ascension Lutheran Church in Casselberry, Florida at 2:30 pm. The family welcomes all to join them for a reception to celebrate some of Betsy's favorite pastimes, good food and music, at Tuskawilla Country Club.

In lieu of flowers, you may donate to: Seminole County Firefighters Benevolent Association PO Box 952648: Lake Mary, FL 32795 or to Childrens Miracle Network at <https://donate.childrensmiraclenetworkhospitals.org/>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Memorial Service

NOV 18. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Ascension Lutheran Church
351 Ascension Drive
Casselberry, FL 32707

Reception

NOV 18. 4:00 PM (ET)

Tuskawilla Country Club
1500 Winter Springs Blvd
Winter Springs, FL 32708

Tribute Wall

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“ Betsy & I started Evans Jr. High together in 7th grade in Miss Winkler's homeroom. Due to the closeness , alphabetically of our maiden names, we shared homerooms for many of those 6 years at Evans. Although our lives took different paths, Betsy as a Mom and caterer, I followed the USAF for a number of years. We reconnected on Facebook several year ago and i truly enjoyed her sharing of family photos and comments. May Betsy's soul rest in peace and Light perpetual shine upon her. I look forward to a reunion in heaven and getting to know her wonderful husband in the heavenly realm. May God grant HIS peace to Betsy's family. Sue Fortenberry Cavanaugh

Sue Cavanaugh - November 18, 2022 at 10:53 PM

JJ

“ Betsy was a great, fun loving friend that I was pleased to know. We both graduated in 1969 and had some fun times together. She had a great heart and always had a smile for everyone. Prayers for her family during this difficult time.

Judy Markle Johnson - November 18, 2022 at 10:22 PM

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“ Ryan and Brenda Rumpf and girls purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.



Ryan and Brenda Rumpf and girls - November 17, 2022 at 05:17 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



November 16, 2022 at 11:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



November 13, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ *Ron Criswell and Family purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



Ron Criswell and Family - November 09, 2022 at 01:19 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



November 07, 2022 at 11:38 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



November 07, 2022 at 11:12 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



November 07, 2022 at 07:32 AM



“ *To all of Betsy and Dick's family - I loved these people. They were our stay and support when we lived in Florida. Dick left us way too soon and it's really hard to realize that Betsy has left. They had true love for each other and their family. I wish you all moments of peace and soul filling memories of Betsy and Dick during this painful time. Marilyn Miller (Doyon)*



Marilyn Miller (Doyon) - November 06, 2022 at 07:01 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.



November 06, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.



November 06, 2022 at 05:15 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.



November 06, 2022 at 09:58 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.



November 01, 2022 at 05:44 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Betsy Barrett Criswell.*



October 31, 2022 at 09:07 PM