



Betty Jean Bonetti

July 4, 1932 - November 28, 2016

Matriarch and Storyteller, Betty Jean Bonetti, 84, died Monday, November 28, 2016 at her home in Longwood, Florida, with her daughter, Elizabeth, and granddaughter, Crystal, by her side.

Born in Brooklyn, New York on July 4, 1932, Betty had the opportunity to live in a neighborhood with a community of friends, spend time with and cherish her family (especially her two daughters, her brothers, Bobby and Larry, and her Aunt Liddy), attend plays at world renowned theaters with the most talented actors, musicians, and singers of the time (before TV), be politically active in campaigns for issues, policies, and leaders that she believed in, work, entertain, and give those she cared about a “hard time.”

In 1977, Betty and her husband moved to Winter Park, Florida with their daughters. They had made a yearly family trip to their cottage, lake, and orange groves in Clermont over the last few years and decided to make Florida their new home.

With her children now grown, Betty was excited to be able to start working again and got a job at Winter Pines Golf Club, where some of the best times of her life were spent. Over the 23 years she was there, she created lasting and treasured relationships. Once she retired, she would mention how much she missed it often.

She had a way with telling stories and jokes, recited poetry, sang songs, danced, and could take over any room with her humor and enthusiasm. All the way until her final days, her quick wit, feistiness, enthusiasm, and comedic attitude was adored by all, and drew many everlasting and devoted friends to her over her lifetime.

Betty is survived by her brother, Larry Clark, two daughters, Charlotte Bonetti and Elizabeth Hiers, her son-in-laws, Richard Hiers and Jonathan Smith, and her two Grandchildren, Crystal Arellano and Ricky Hiers. "Luckily," as she would say, her "good gene," of intelligence, grace, good looks, and wit, skipped over her two daughters and was passed on to her favorite granddaughter and favorite grandson.

An animal lover, Betty bestowed her attitude of stewardship, caring, and nurturing for all living things onto her family, which was passed down to her as a child. She leaves behind (in the care of her daughter and son in law) her beloved dog, Boomer, and five cats, Pikachu, Sam, Cuddles, Jigglypuff, and, her favorite, Peach.

With honor and admiration, Betty's surviving family and friends hold her close to their hearts and feel blessed to have had such a bright, loving, and devoted sister, mother, nana, and friend. She will be forever in their lives through their thoughts, memories, traditions, and stories.

"How lucky I am to have something which makes saying goodbye so hard"
- Winnie the Pooh (A.A. Milne)

Services will be held at,
1:00pm on Saturday, Dec 10, 2016
Saint Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

869 Maitland Avenue
Altamonte Springs, FL, US, 32701

Should friends and family desire, in lieu of flowers, please make donations to
Pet Rescue by Judy 401 South Laurel Avenue Sanford, FL 32771 (407) 302-
4497

Tribute Wall

CA

“ *Crystal Arellano lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Bonetti*



Crystal Arellano - July 01, 2017 at 10:48 AM

CA

Happy Birthday Nana! I miss you! I love you!

Crystal Arellano - July 01, 2017 at 10:49 AM

RF

“ *My heart goes out to Liz, her family and many friends Betty was the best of the best as a Mother and loyal as a friend.*

I know first hand as my Mom Elizabeth who passed away 10/31/2016 at age 96 was Betty's best friend, going back to the late 1940's. They remained friends for all those years. It was Gods wisdom's that my Mom Elizabeth and Betty spoke on the phone a few weeks before My Mom passed away. Your Mom passed away 3 weeks after. I will miss her greatly. They are both in Heaven having a great time talking about old times. RIP Betty. We loved you MUCH Love, Richie Filosa

Richie Filosa - June 27, 2017 at 06:15 AM

PD

“ *Patty Daoust lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Bonetti*



Patty Daoust - December 12, 2016 at 09:49 AM

SU

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Susie - December 02, 2016 at 06:49 PM



“ *4 files added to the album Friends*



Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 06:49 PM



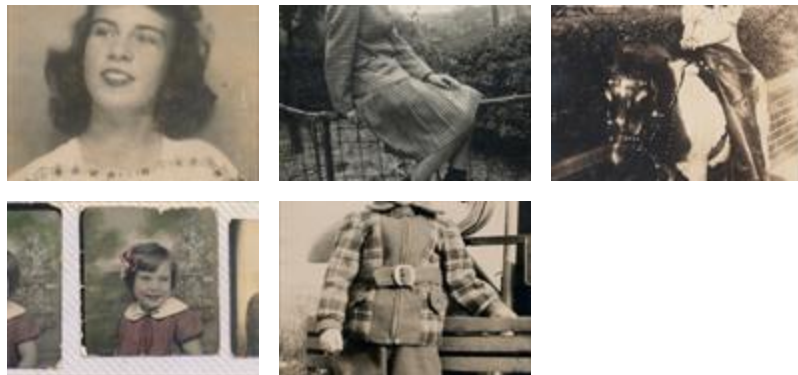
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Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 06:47 PM



“ 10 files added to the album *Betty*



Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 06:44 PM



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Susie - December 02, 2016 at 06:43 PM

TK

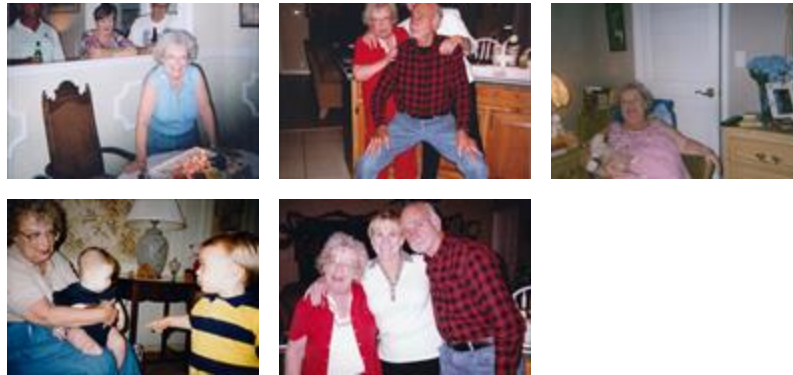
“ I worked with Betty at the Pines for many years, and then My Mother Chris came to work there as well, and they formed a very special friendship. My love for Betty and my fond memories of her at the Pines will be with me forever. I lost my Mother in 2008, and understand the loss of your Mother will hurt and in time that hurt will turn into such Love and beautiful memories that you will carry with you forever!!!



Tracey Keith - December 02, 2016 at 03:40 PM



“ 8 files added to the album Friends



Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 03:05 PM



“ 4 files added to the album *Betty*



Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 02:59 PM



“ 11 files added to the album *Family Photos*



Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 02:58 PM



“ *Janet Smith lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Bonetti*



Janet Smith - December 02, 2016 at 02:18 PM

MI

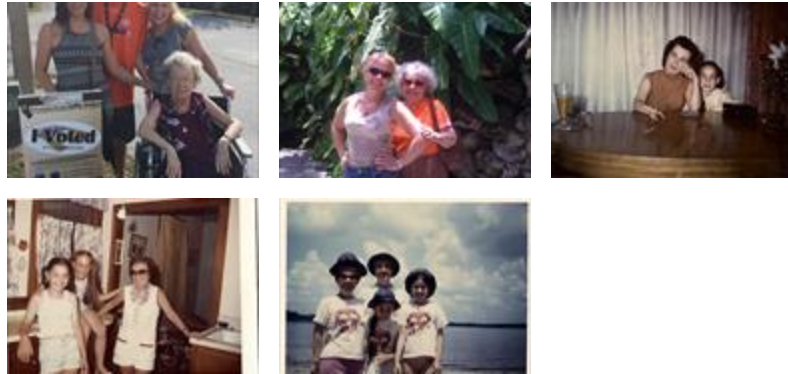
“ I will always remember all of the wonderful times we've spent together. You were like another Mother to me and always treated me like family. I pray you are at peace and until we meet again, love you!



Michele - December 02, 2016 at 01:25 PM

LI

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



liz - December 02, 2016 at 10:00 AM

LH

“ 3 files added to the album Family Photos



liz hiers - December 02, 2016 at 09:53 AM

LH

“ *Liz Hiers lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Bonetti*



liz hiers - December 02, 2016 at 09:44 AM

DG

“ *I will always remember Mrs Bonetti at the St Mary Magdalen Wednesday children's Mass when Ricky was a student at SMM. She always participated with Liz at our school whether it was sport activities, fundraisers, banquets, class parties etc. She was a very involved grandmother with a smile for everyone!*

Donna Grant - December 02, 2016 at 08:15 AM

LH

Thank you Donna. She loved being with all of us at SMM

liz hiers - December 02, 2016 at 09:44 AM



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Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 01:02 AM



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Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 12:59 AM



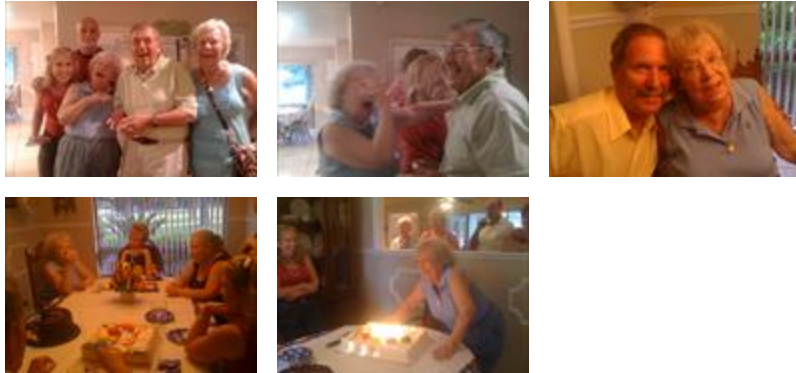
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Crystal Arellano - December 02, 2016 at 12:56 AM



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Crystal Arellano - December 01, 2016 at 11:35 PM



“ *Crystal Arellano lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Bonetti*



Crystal Arellano - December 01, 2016 at 05:34 PM