



Betty U. Coladonato

September 18, 1929 - February 15, 2020

Betty U. Coladonato age 90, of Altamonte Springs, Florida passed away on February 15, 2020 at Longwood Health and Rehabilitation Center, Longwood, Florida. Betty was born in Aurora, Illinois on September 28, 1929 to Norman and Lillian Udstad and moved to Davenport, Florida in 1944 with her parents. She was the youngest of six children, her elder siblings being Doris, Kenny, Ruth, Norman and Richard.

She married James Wilkens in 1950 and together they had their son, James in 1951. She was divorced in 1959 and soon met and married Carmen (CJ) Coladonato in 1962. They were happily married for 62 years.

Betty worked for the Winter Park Telephone Company for over 35 years and made many wonderful friends. She and CJ met roller skating and they were big square dancers with a group of about ten couples. In the last six years of her life, her best friend and companion-caretaker, Nina Woulfe with John Thaens have been by her side every day. They loved taking summer vacations to New Jersey to visit CJ's family and vacations to Sanibel Island to visit with son James and his family.

Betty leaves behind her son, James Norman Wilkins and daughter-in-law Beverly; grandchildren Joshua and Megan, and two great-granddaughters Kailen and Maddilyn; sister-in-law Yolanda Scollan, niece Cathy Impalli,

nephews T.J.and Robert Scollan and Guido Coladonato.

Services will be held at DeGusipe Funeral Home and Crematory:

Visitation from 10:00 am to 10:30 am on Saturday, February 22, 2020 with

Funeral Service from 10:30 am to 11:15 am and

Burial following at 11:30 am at Glen Haven Cemetery.

Previous Events

Burial

FEB **22**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Glen Haven Memorial Park
2300 Temple drive
Winter Park, FL 32789

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty U. Coladonato.*



February 21, 2020 at 08:02 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Betty U. Coladonato.*



February 20, 2020 at 06:19 PM

RS

“ To Jim (jimbo) and Bev and Family
I am SO SORRY for the passing of your Mother and MY Aunt Betty,
She means the world to me and the connection to the Days of MINE
,my Mother my Brother TJ, Sister Cathy and MY Wife Elizabeth
days of our Youth. The Summers of our youth were the VISIT of
UNCLE CJ and AUNT BETTY, Fourth of July was OFFICIAL when
they visited which was HIGHLY anticipated in the 60,s and 70,s,
Your Mom was a Beautiful person and her and CJ were an
inseparable pair. We LOVED YOUR MOM, with that great laugh and
here jokes. I still make her Jimmy Dean sausage biscuits recipe
when I can,show me once at Aunt Dee's. I hope Your Mom was
Called to the Party by CJ, where all Love ones who have gone
before her were waiting, and the square dance party was began.
She no longer in pain and thank you all for taking care of her in her
ailing years

Robert and Elizabeth Scollan

Robert Scollan - February 18, 2020 at 06:07 PM

TS

“ My Aunt Betty was the sweetest soul I ever met. She adored my
Uncle Carmen and he adored her. “Shugga bugga” was an
endearment they often shared. She wasn't known for her cooking
skills unless it required no baking, limited use of the stovetop and
something that was always a great dessert. Her crafts were always
ingenious and memorable. She was loved by her NJ relatives as if
she was born into our family. Burdened by decades of arthritic pain
and the slow deterioration of her beloved CJ she was always a joy.
What a memorable lady! I will always hear your voice and see you
in my mind and carry you in my heart.

TJ Scollan - February 18, 2020 at 05:53 PM

JN

“ Betty was so talented. I'll never forget the beautiful rose bouquets she made from dollar bills. At Christmas time she made tree ornaments using lots of cinnamon. I still remember the aroma from the tree. She did even more crafts but it was so long ago can't remember them all. In later years she enjoyed sharing bags of chocolate covered pecans that she ordered from Georgia. I have such great memories of the goods times. Rest In Peace my friend.

Joan Neff - February 18, 2020 at 12:11 PM

CK

“ Betty was one of the sweetest and kindest persons I've ever met. I worked with Betty at the Winter Park Telephone company and all the other telephone companies after that. After retirement, the Ladies of Leisure met regularly for lunch to stay in touch with each other. She was a strong supporter and caretaker of CJ, her husband, for many years. She always was cheerful and smiling even when her own health was failing. Betty was one of a kind and will truly be missed. May she Rest In Peace.

With love,
Carolyn Kelly

carolyn kelly - February 18, 2020 at 07:37 AM



Betty came to my mind this morning and decided to try to find her on the internet. I'm sorry that she's no longer with us but I'm sure she's happy to be reunited with her loved ones. She brought back special memories of our time at the Winter Park Phone Company. Betty and another co-worker hosted a bridal shower for me at work. She always made me smile and was always smiling and just a joy to be around.

Katie Trunzo - August 07, 2024 at 04:53 PM



“ *When Jim introduced me to his mom (my mother in law) we found a common interest in miniatures. We joined a miniature club and went every Monday until we brought her GRANDCHILDREN. She was the best Mother in Law and Grandmother ever.*

Beverly Wilkins - February 17, 2020 at 07:46 PM