



Elizabeth Ann Bailey

September 13, 1940 - March 14, 2018

Elizabeth “Betty” A. Bailey (née Wilkinson) of Toledo passed away unexpectedly at St. Luke’s Hospital on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. Betty was born in Youngstown, Ohio, on September 13, 1940, and raised by her parents, Howard and Margaret Wilkinson. After graduating from Bedford High School in 1958, Betty attended Kent State University, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in Sociology. She was employed by United Airlines as a flight attendant, and later by the Lion Store, from which she retired in 1999 as a department manager.

Betty most enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and traveling with friends, including a few high school classmates with whom she remained close. She took regular trips to Vermillion, Ohio, and to the beaches of Florida, and in 2016, she and her dear cousin, Elaine, visited Italy for the first time.

Betty was a proud and devoted mother, an adoring grandmother, a generous and loyal friend, and an avid Cleveland Indians fan. She faced life’s challenges with dignity and poise, and comforted others with her characteristic blend of heartfelt warmth and unique humor. She served as a touchstone to many, and her compassionate ear and sage advice will be sorely missed.

Words cannot justify how special Betty has been and will continue to be in the hearts of her family and friends. She was honest, kind, and fun. She was liberal with hugs and with taking loved ones out for drinks, and was caring enough to call the next morning to check up. Those hugs, those shared drinks, and that voice on the other end of the line will be remembered fondly and often.

Betty was preceded in death by her brother, Robert, and her beloved son, Michael. She is survived by her second son, Geoffrey (Ann); grandchildren, Justin and Allison; and nephew, David.

Visitation will be held from 4-6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20, at Coyle Funeral Home, 1770

S. Reynolds Road in Toledo, with a Memorial Service to follow directly. Interment will be private.

Please view Betty's Memorial Video tribute and leave a condolence message at CoyleFuneralHome.com.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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1770 S. Reynolds Road, Toledo, OH, US, 43614

MAR **Memorial** 06:00PM - 07:00PM

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Comments



“ My condolences for your family's loss, and I am sorry that I could not do that in person tonight.

Brian Kennedy - March 20, 2018 at 02:01 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Bailey.



March 20, 2018 at 12:40 PM



“ 2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - March 20, 2018 at 09:15 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Bailey.



March 20, 2018 at 12:37 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Bailey.



March 19, 2018 at 07:31 PM



“ Geoff and Anne, I am so very, very sorry to hear about your loss. I am praying for you and your family.

Michelle Cook - March 18, 2018 at 03:36 PM



“ Betty was a neighbor who was so kind and gentle yet so beautiful. My sons and her sons enjoyed many fun times. God Bless her beautiful soul. Dorothy Shadler and sons.

Dorothy Shadler Dunco - March 18, 2018 at 02:35 PM



“ Jon Brickey purchased the Celestial Love for the family of Elizabeth Ann Bailey.



Jon Brickey - March 18, 2018 at 12:06 PM



“ Betty will be deeply missed. She was always fun to be around. I'll always remember how much she supported her boys and how she supported me—she was at every baseball game cheering us on. Geoff, my heartfelt condolences. We were expecting her to be with us for many more years.

Jon Brickey - March 18, 2018 at 11:59 AM



“ So sorry for your loss

mary - March 19, 2018 at 10:51 AM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Bailey.



March 18, 2018 at 10:29 AM



“ Betty was always so much fun to work with at Lion Store. We had some great times together at work as well as outside the store. I hadn't seen her for quite awhile, especially since we moved to Florida, but I have wonderful memories that I'll treasure always. My condolences to Geoff and his family.

Ginger French - March 18, 2018 at 08:45 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Bailey.



March 17, 2018 at 06:01 PM



“ I met Betty at The Lion Store...I was fresh out of college and Betty took me under her wing! She was honest, loyal, fun and sarcastic. Many breaks and meals at Charlie's and many supervision shifts were spent together. I remember her love for coffee, donuts and cut out cookies. And salt...she always had a salt shaker on her desk in the office! I was often her designated driver on poor weather days. She avoided left turns at all costs when driving. I will miss her hugs, advice and seeing her push the tip of her nose. Betty was beloved and touched the lives of many. I was honored she accepted a speaking role in my wedding & will always hold a special place for her in my heart. Condolences to her family and friends.

Kim Peper - March 17, 2018 at 10:42 AM