



Betty Fitzgerald

December 27, 1955 - July 14, 2018

Betty E. Fitzgerald was unexpectedly called home to the House of her Lord on July 14, 2018. She passed away quietly at the Johnson City Medical Center surrounded by loved ones.

Betty was born December 27, 1955 in Washington Co, TN. She was considered an Angel by many due to her Christianity pursuits, and was blessed tremendously throughout her day to day life. Along the way she worked as a Supervisor with Corporal Cleaning in addition to assisting the unemployed in finding work. She was an active church member at New Zion Faith Center in Johnson City, TN and was deemed more like family. She left every person she ever encountered with their heart smiling. Her energy and spirit was so contagious that if you were in her presence you would have no other choice but to feel the gratitude and gratefulness of life. Regardless of your religion, if you knew Betty then you knew there was a God. She was the definition of God's foot soldier here on earth.

She was family orientated and believed in the morals and values of sticking together. She never bit her tongue and would tell whomever the truth, even if it was tough love but much needed love, nonetheless. She always fought for what she believed in and once her mind was made up, nothing could change or stop her. She was definitely the matriarchy of not only her family but of her friends as well. She had a motherly touch that would gravitate anyone towards

her seeking love. Betty never took a day off of work, even if she was not feeling well. She was the most ambitious motivational inspiring woman! If you ever had a long day and contemplated giving up, Betty was the prime example of inspiration. As if she was battery operated, she never gave up on anything and operated like a robot. She worked until she couldn't work anymore. She fought until she couldn't fight anymore. Her work here on earth physically may be done but as God's angel she will always be watching over us all!

Betty Elizabeth Fitzgerald is preceded in death by her parents Emma Fitzgerald and Glenn Gillespie, Sister Verna Lee Vaughn, Aunt Nehemiah Blanton and the Blanton Uncles.

She is survived by son's Glenn Fitzgerald and Edward Stafford; daughter Deja Colbert; brothers Lynn Fitzgerald, Herman Fitzgerald and Alfred Fitzgerald; sister Sarah Ann Birchette; Grandsons Julian Fitzgerald, Sevon Stafford, Adonis Fitzgerald and O'zias Williams; Granddaughters Aviyonna Stafford and the Twins; Nieces Valerie, Megan, Shayla, Toni and Torrie; Nephews Patrick and Desmond; along with special Family Friend William Banner and numerous cousins, great nephews, nieces and friends.

Betty will truly be missed! Fly high and Rest in Peace Sweet Angel!

Funeral services will be held at 1:00pm Saturday July 21, 2018 at the New Zion Faith Center in Johnson City, TN. The Family will receive friends from 12:00pm until 1:00pm at the church prior to the service. Interment will follow at the Washington County Memory Gardens.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

New Zion Faith Center
1904 Jamestown Rd
Johnson City, TN 37604

Service

JUL 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

New Zion Faith Center
1904 Jamestown Rd
Johnson City, TN 37604

Interment

JUL 21. 2:30 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Washington County Memory Gardens
113 Memory Gardens Rd.
Johnson City, TN 37615

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Fitzgerald*

January 29, 2023 at 10:28 PM



“ *Angela Duffield lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Angela Duffield - June 10, 2021 at 11:31 AM



“ *I just found out about Betty. The kindest woman I've ever worked with or for. She loved her kids (& their pets) and her brother with her whole heart and then some more. She was comfortable in her own skin & never threatened by anyone else's walk or talk. She had such a humble, sweet and giving spirit that I will NEVER forget. (And if you made her mad, she would get you right and then pray for you- bc apparently you didn't have good sense) I Thank God for the time I spent with her at Dollar General. Sister Girl, you did good!*

Angela Duffield - June 10, 2021 at 11:30 AM



“ *prayers for the children/family*



CLINTON/PAM ROLLINS - July 25, 2018 at 06:22 PM

LF

“ I am sorry I did not know Betty. I must tell you her obituary is the most wonderful tribute I have ever read. It is very obvious she was a beautiful person inside and out. We should all strive to be remembered by such wonderful words. God bless you all, I am sorry for your loss.

L Freeman - July 22, 2018 at 12:50 PM

AH

“ Angela Hinkle lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Angela Hinkle - July 21, 2018 at 10:57 AM



A really dear friend

Angela Hinkle - July 21, 2018 at 10:58 AM

JW

“ Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald




Janice wells - July 20, 2018 at 11:30 PM

XE

“ *Love in peace Ma I love you Tell my granny and love ones I said I love and miss them....*




Xezavis - July 20, 2018 at 11:13 PM

 Brenda Akins Charles

“ *Brenda Akins Charles lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*




Brenda Akins Charles - July 20, 2018 at 10:15 PM

 Brenda Akins Charles

“ *Brenda Akins Charles sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Brenda Akins Charles - July 20, 2018 at 10:14 PM

 Brenda Akins Charles

“ *James & Brenda Charles*

Brenda Akins Charles - July 20, 2018 at 10:13 PM

CT

“ *Connie Thompson lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Connie Thompson - July 20, 2018 at 11:18 AM

EW

“ *Elizabeth Wykle lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Elizabeth Wykle - July 19, 2018 at 05:53 PM

EW

“ *Betty has been my supervisor for almost 7 years now and even though we never met she really meant alot to me. When we talked on the phone if i was worried or just feeling down she would always say just give it to God he will take care of it. When i heard of her passing my heart broke. She was truly an inspiration to me. My thoughts and prayers are with all her family and friends. Rest in peace Betty. Gone but not forgotten.*

Elizabeth Wykle - July 19, 2018 at 05:52 PM



“ *I worked with miss Betty for over 2 years she was a good boss and The most dependable person I knew I miss her everyday at work*

Patrick Thompson - July 19, 2018 at 05:42 PM

JT

“ *My sincere condolences to your family. May God bless you and cover you in strength.* ”



Jasmine Tucker - July 19, 2018 at 05:24 PM

ML

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Francinr

Mary Latham - July 20, 2018 at 06:23 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betty Fitzgerald.* ”



July 19, 2018 at 08:42 AM

MC

“ *I loved Betty she treated me like a little sister. My friend loved God and she loved me. We traveled together and she taught me the value of friendship. I will miss her but i know that God has called her home. Rest in peace my friend.* ”

Marsha Coleman - July 19, 2018 at 07:00 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:26 PM

PW

“ *To the most wonderful women in the world.*

Penny Wyatt - July 19, 2018 at 06:17 AM



“ *Pamela Renea lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Pamela Renea - July 19, 2018 at 04:48 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:27 PM

LJ

“ *Me and Betty have reconnected in June of 2018 we had a wonderful time reminiscing about the times we spent together we loved each other and we kept each other in our heart we were never apart but we lived apart but we never lost love for each other I will always love and miss you Betty you were my favorite sister-in-law*

Leesa Colbert Jones - July 19, 2018 at 01:25 AM

NP

“ *Nancy Posey sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Nancy Posey - July 18, 2018 at 10:47 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:27 PM

NP

“ Nancy Posey lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Nancy Posey - July 18, 2018 at 10:46 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:44 PM

TB

“ Trish Bristol sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald

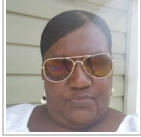


Trish Bristol - July 18, 2018 at 08:16 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:27 PM



“ Great woman with a loving heart ,rest in peace God call his Angle home.Love you Betty always the JOANN BRADLEY AND FAMILY.



Sondra Bradley - July 18, 2018 at 08:06 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:28 PM

SB

“ Shelea Birks lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Shelea Birks - July 18, 2018 at 07:50 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:28 PM

SB

“ Shelea Birks lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Shelea Birks - July 18, 2018 at 07:49 PM



“ *Linda Workman lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Linda Workman - July 18, 2018 at 07:36 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:29 PM

CG

“ *Praying for. The family*



Claudia Goines - July 18, 2018 at 06:24 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:30 PM

LN

“ *What a wonderful woman! Betty was such a bright light in my day. She was kind, loving and funny. It's been tough leaving work everyday and not getting that chance to visit with her. She will be greatly missed here at BMS. Love and prayers for her family. Looking forward to the day when I see Miss Betty again...Heaven sure gain a beautiful angel!💕*



Lisa Norman - July 18, 2018 at 05:31 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:44 PM

KB

“ *Katie Bailey-Hynes lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Katie Bailey-Hynes - July 18, 2018 at 04:26 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:30 PM

TE

“ *Teeny lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Teeny - July 18, 2018 at 02:50 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:31 PM

TE

“ *Betty introduced me to my husband who I had four Sons by. She had a big giant Cadillac that her dad had left her. We called it the Batman car. We will miss you big daddy*

Teeny - July 18, 2018 at 02:47 PM

TE

I meant Betty

Teeny - July 18, 2018 at 02:49 PM

TY

“ *I knew Betty through Corporal Clean, she visited my office every 2 weeks. Betty always had a smile on her face & a kind word to say. She will be greatly missed. Love and prayers to the family. RIP Betty*

Tiffany Young - July 18, 2018 at 01:24 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:31 PM

VR

“ *Vanessa Robinson lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Vanessa Robinson - July 18, 2018 at 11:55 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:44 PM

MD

“ *I remember Betty when we were young growing up on Jackson Ave. She will be missed. Beautiful person with a beautiful soul.*

Margo Drakeford - July 18, 2018 at 11:51 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:32 PM

MD

“ *Margo Drakeford lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Margo Drakeford - July 18, 2018 at 11:42 AM



“ *My heart and prayers are with you all. Miss Betty was a light. She always checked in on me during my long nights in the office. I asked about Osiris and how he was doing in school. We'd trade stories about my Nephew and his journey with school and how things were going to evolve. Love that little boy. I pray for your peace of mind and strength during this tough time. Betty was a wonderful lady and made a lasting impression on all of us here at BMS. She is so loved, and will be missed.*

Patrick Savage - July 18, 2018 at 10:14 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:33 PM

BE

“ *It won't be the same without Miss Betty around here. My first two years at Bristol, she felt like my mom urging me get out of the office and get a life. Watching her and Logan playing practical jokes on one another. She was truly family and will be greatly missed.*



Sending love and prayers to her family that she cared about so much.

Becky - July 18, 2018 at 09:13 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:33 PM

AT

“ *Anthony & Tammy lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*

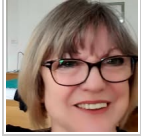


Anthony & Tammy - July 18, 2018 at 08:56 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:33 PM



“ *Linda Bailes lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Linda Bailes - July 18, 2018 at 08:41 AM



It wil Inot be the same without Miss Betty around here. She always had a smile and story to tell that would keep us laughing during the busiest of times! She was ever so proud of her family, especially the grandchildren.. Rest in Peace my dear friend. Keep the angels laughing!

Linda Bailes - July 18, 2018 at 08:51 AM

JH

TO ONE OF MY WILSON AVENUE SOILDERS BETTY YOU WILL BE TRULY MISSED I KNEW U .. FOR MANY YEARS .. FROM CHILDHOOD TO WHEN. WE TOOK OUR FIRST SPIN... IN YOUR DAD. BATMOBIL AROUND THE CONOR FOR THE TEST DRIVE.. AFTER THAT BETTY ..WE WERE OFF TO THE RACES... U THEN KEPT THE FRIENDSHIP GOING U NEVER STOP KNOWING WHO WE WERE THE WILSONBANDETS... I LOVE 💕💕💕💕💕 U JUST THAT MUCH AN MORE.... MY HEART ❤️ IS REJOYING BECAUSE I KNOW U HAVE THAT CROWN 👑👑 U REACHED SO HIGH FOR ... SPREAD YOUR WINGS MY SISTER U R ONE OF A KIND... REST NOW UNTIL I SEE AGAIN BETTY YOU BROUGHT SI MUCH JOY IN OUR IIVES... U R A. SOILDER IN THE ARMY ONCE AGAIN ON THIS EARTH BUT HOW GREAT THERE R U A. HOLYGHOST SOILDER IN GODS ARMY... KEEP HOLDEN ON TO THE ARMOR N SHEID ..U HAVE DONE IT AGAIN. REST IN HEAVN.. ONE OF MY TOOPER FROM THE. WILSON'S AVENUE

Junerose haynes - July 18, 2018 at 10:12 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:43 PM

BK

“ *Billy And Tanyua Kerns lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Billy and Tanyua Kerns - July 18, 2018 at 08:35 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:43 PM

AH

“ *Alberta Harris lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Alberta Harris - July 18, 2018 at 08:30 AM



“ *Lori Parks lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Lori Parks - July 18, 2018 at 05:46 AM



“ *Sherika Stevens lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Sherika Stevens - July 18, 2018 at 05:16 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:42 PM

SB

“ *Ms. Betty was like a sister to me. She was and will always remain dear to me and my family. Gone to soon but at rest with the Lord now.*



Shelley Briscoe - July 18, 2018 at 01:58 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:42 PM

DS

“ *Betty was a very Good Christian Woman... I Thought Very Highly Of Her... I was Shocked When I Was Told Earlier Of Her Passing.. I Will Be Praying For Her Family & Friends... She's Now With God & Jesus... No More pain, suffering,tears... I'm Gonna Miss Her, but one day will get too see Her Again...*

David @ BMS security - July 18, 2018 at 01:30 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:41 PM

SY

“ *Sylvia Brown Young lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Sylvia Brown Young - July 17, 2018 at 07:26 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:41 PM

RF

“ *Always such a sweet person. Prayers of peace and comfort for the family. Renee Forney*

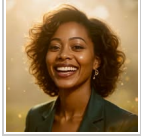


Renee Forney - July 17, 2018 at 05:48 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:41 PM



“ Cheryl Rhea sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Cheryl Rhea - July 17, 2018 at 04:40 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:41 PM

SW

“ Sending prayers for the family



Susan and Steve Wagner - July 17, 2018 at 04:11 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:40 PM

NG

“ Nancy Greenlee lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Nancy Greenlee - July 17, 2018 at 03:18 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:40 PM

MJ

“ *Mary Ann James lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Mary Ann James - July 17, 2018 at 03:17 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:40 PM



“ *Betty you will be greatly missed and I will cherish all of our times here at work. Especially your wisdom, encouragement & faith. Rest easy my friend.*

Crystal Miller - BMS

Crystal Miller - July 17, 2018 at 03:12 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:40 PM

DM

“ *Debra D. McCrary lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Debra D. McCrary - July 17, 2018 at 02:56 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:39 PM

DE

“ *Betty and I grew up together. We use to have so much fun growing up. Betty will be missed. She was and still is a shining star. I am praying for her family.*



Debora - July 17, 2018 at 02:37 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:39 PM

LW

“ *Rest mdrar sister you will make it God bless you we always have the memory's*



Louise Williams - July 17, 2018 at 12:13 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:39 PM

DW

“ *DEBRA AND AUSTIN WILLIAMS sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



DEBRA AND AUSTIN WILLIAMS - July 17, 2018 at 11:29 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:39 PM

AS

“ *Andre Stevens lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Andre Stevens - July 17, 2018 at 11:02 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:38 PM

JB

“ Betty was a wonderful and happy person. She will be missed. The last time I saw Betty she was having a garage sale at Carver Park. She was still the same Betty that I grew up with.
Rest in Peace Bettu



Jeannie Bowling Byrd - July 17, 2018 at 10:52 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:38 PM

DD

“ Delores Delaney lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Delores Delaney - July 17, 2018 at 10:38 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:38 PM

FF

“ Fred And Jackie Fields lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Fred and Jackie Fields - July 17, 2018 at 10:32 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:37 PM

LB

“ *Lee & Lydia Bridwell lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Lee & Lydia Bridwell - July 17, 2018 at 08:19 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:37 PM

Mary Rollins

“ *Condolences to Fitzgerald Family*



Mary Rollins - July 17, 2018 at 08:12 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:37 PM

PL

“ *Pep Livingston lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Pep Livingston - July 17, 2018 at 07:44 AM

PL

Words cannot describe the way I felt when I heard the news. Deja, your mom was a one of a kind "Woman of God" and she will be sorely missed by many! You and your family are in my prayers.

Pep Livingston - July 17, 2018 at 07:48 AM

MD

“ *Melvin Drumgoole sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Melvin Drumgoole - July 17, 2018 at 07:03 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:36 PM

SS

“ *Sandra Stevens-Bell sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Sandra Stevens-Bell - July 17, 2018 at 06:47 AM

SS

Always enjoy time hanging out with Betty and rest of family. We go back many years.. She will be deeply missed. 😭

Sandra Stevens-Bell - July 17, 2018 at 06:53 AM

JB

“ *Jackie Briscoe lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*




Jackie Briscoe - July 17, 2018 at 01:47 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:36 PM


Victoria
Brown

“ *Victoria Brown lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Victoria Brown - July 17, 2018 at 12:30 AM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:34 PM

JW

“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Janice wells - July 16, 2018 at 11:00 PM

JW

“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Janice wells - July 16, 2018 at 11:00 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:36 PM

JS

“ *Jay And Christine Scurry lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



Jay and Christine Scurry - July 16, 2018 at 09:31 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:36 PM

CR

“ Cheryl Rhea lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Cheryl Rhea - July 16, 2018 at 09:01 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:35 PM

KM

“ Kathy Mills lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Kathy Mills - July 16, 2018 at 08:45 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:35 PM

GF

“ Gary & Moricina Fain lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald



Gary & Moricina Fain - July 16, 2018 at 08:16 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:35 PM

VI

“ *ViolaPatton lit a candle in memory of Betty Fitzgerald*



ViolaPatton - July 16, 2018 at 05:21 PM

ES

Thank you

Edward Stafford - July 19, 2018 at 01:35 PM