



Miss Betty Teague

June 23, 1939 - June 25, 2015

Betty Maurine Teague was born June 23, 1939 to loving parents, Frank and Jo Addie Teague in Overton, Texas. The family moved to Henderson and Betty would graduate Henderson High School with forever friends in 1957.

After graduation, Betty moved to Shreveport, Louisiana and began a life of caregiving at the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children. During almost forty years, Betty served in many capacities including nursing assistant, transportation and historian. Her treasured position was that of nursing assistant because of the patients and their families, she referred to them as her family and they referred to her as family. Many long-lasting friendships were made at the hospital, not just families but fellow associates and hospital administrators. One administrator tells how he got the job because Betty transported him back and forth from the airport and she told the board of directors, "I like him best." Betty loved her hospital and everyone associated with it. She became part of hundreds of families over the years. Couples wishing to adopt would look to Betty for help, families needing a sitter would call Betty. When a celebration was planned whether it be a birthday, a wedding, a new baby, or a family reunion – those plans included Betty.

Her nephew, Fallon, was the highlight of her life. Betty and Fallon enjoyed many summer vacations. They traveled to Georgia, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. They visited Betty's extended family every summer. Traveling with Betty was always an experience, they got in the car and headed out to visit all different kinds of families. Fallon recalls the welcoming they received at every home. He loved his Aunt Betty and he knew why others loved her, too.

Retirement came a few years early for Betty due to health reasons. But, it turned out to be a wonderful time in life because she was able to enjoy Fallon's family. Just as she had done with Fallon, she took Paisley, Preston and Paxton to Shreveport to visit her Shriner's Hospital and all her friends. She and Tina would load up with the children for family reunions in Arkansas and visit others in East Texas and the surrounding area. She was so proud of her nephew and his family.

Betty's most valued possessions were her relationships with family and friends. She would send more than 500 cards at Christmas and 100's of birthday and anniversary cards each month. Most of the time, she included a letter or note. She received cards, notes and letters, too. She treasured all of them. She would save everyone and put pictures and cards on the wall of her home and later on the wall in the nursing home. Her treasure was found in people, friends, and family and this was priceless.

Besides her parents, Betty was preceded in death by her brother-in-law, Wayne Garner, and her sister, Dorothy Garner. Cherishing her memory is her nephew, Fallon Garner and wife Tina, her great-niece Paisley Costlow and husband Jeremy and Preslie and Sadie, her great-nephew, Preston Garner and wife Cayla, great-nephew – her red-headed sidekick that she referred to as “My Boy,” Paxton Garner and friend, Chaynia Sparks.

She is also survived by her brother, Billy Teague and wife Hazel, her niece, Teresa Ross and husband Derrick, great-niece Cassidy Larsen and husband Shane, great-nephew Tyson Ross, niece Kemberly Crawford and husband Ricky, great-nephew Brandon Crawford, great-nephew, Britt Crawford, great-niece Bailey Crawford and great-great nephew, Greyson.

Betty's wishes were to thank At Home Healthcare for the care she received in her home and the nurses and nurse-aides at Henderson Health and Rehab that cared for her the last few years, she respected you and loved your companionship. The family would like to extend a thank you to Heart to Heart Hospice, as well.

Pall-bearers will be Fallon Garner, Preston Garner, Paxton Garner, and Jeremy Costlow. Honorary pall-bearers will be her beloved friends of the HHS Class of 1957. Visitation will be at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home in Henderson, Sunday, June 28, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. A graveside service will be held at Rusk County Memorial Gardens at 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 29, 2015. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

Because of her deep love for the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children, memorials may be made to Shriner's Hospitals for Children, 3100 Samford Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71103.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery

Rusk County Memorial Gardens

Hwy 259 N.

Henderson, TX, 75652

Events

JUN **Visitation** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

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Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home

1414 South Main Street, Henderson, TX, US,
75654

JUN **Graveside** 09:00AM

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Comments



“ Billy and family,
I came across Betty's obituary by accident, but so glad I did. Warm memories of Eastside church flooded by mind. She kept all us "young-in's" in tow. She gave big hugs and had a hearty laugh! She was a special person and so committed to her work at Shriners....a perfect fit for that calling! Your family was special to the old Eastside bunch. What a reunion it will be for all of us someday!
God bless you and give you peace in your loss. I can only imagine how much you miss her.
Judy Carnett Glick

Judy Carnett Glick - July 15, 2015 at 12:12 PM



“ Just found out today when Ms. Teague's birthday card came back to me. I have known Ms. Teague all of my life. I was a young child at Shriner's Hospital where she worked. Back then we had plenty of time to get to know each other as our stays there were much longer. She was our mom away from home. We always kept in touch though the years. She never forgot a birthday. She was loving, caring and compassionate. She would call me and say, " You better behave yourself". Will always love and remember you my sweet friend. Til we meet again, rest in peace. Jo Marie Bananno Towns

Jo Marie Bananno - July 08, 2015 at 05:29 PM



“ Thanks for these kind words.
Tina - July 27, 2015 at 10:26 PM



“ Betty was a dear friend of mine. We became acquainted while attending Eastside Baptist Church even before she graduated high school. After she went to work for Shriner's a friend and I visited her and she was thrilled to give us the grand tour. Later after I moved to D.C., she came and visited me for a week and I was able to return the favor. Although she was several years older, we formed a life-long bond, held in place by her tenacity to track me down through my mother wherever I lived. I could always expect a birthday card and Christmas card from Betty. No other friend has been as faithful. I can attest that Fallon was the apple of her eye. There was never a conversation without mention of him and the latest pictures of him and his family. I am sad that she is gone and I will miss her.

Mary Jane Boyd - June 28, 2015 at 07:22 PM



“ Thank you for sharing this!

Tina - June 30, 2015 at 06:53 PM



“ Billy, so sorry to hear about Betty. She was a very sweet lady. You were a good brother to her.

Betty Johnson - June 26, 2015 at 08:27 AM



“ Betty was one of the sweetest people I have ever known. We have always loved you as part of our family and you always will be.

The Roberts, BeDoit, and LaGrone families

Rebecca BeDoit - June 25, 2015 at 06:29 PM



“ Thank you these kind words.

Tina - June 27, 2015 at 11:49 PM



“ Patricia Allred lit a candle in memory of Miss Betty Teague



Patricia Allred - June 25, 2015 at 10:09 AM