



Betty Jean Ackerson

August 28, 1923 - November 2, 2011

Betty Jean Ackerson went to be with the Lord November 2, 2011. She was born August 28, 1923 in Ionia, MI, the daughter of John Chase and Maude (Mook) Chase. She loved her family, her cat, her flowers, and music, and enjoyed camping and fishing. Mrs. Ackerson was a long time member of Lakeside Chapel in Park Lake, MI, where she taught Sunday school, sang in the choir, and was the missionary chairman. Most recently, she was a member of Ainger Bible Church. Betty worked as a secretary for Lansing Christian School from where she retired in 1983. She is survived by her loving family; daughters Julie (Bill) Wilson of Bellevue, MI; Marsha (Dennis) May of Charlotte, MI; Norma (Karl) Bauer of Garner, Iowa; 5 grandchildren, Debbie Lynn Dotson; Jessica Lynn Fox; Teresa Jean May; Jennifer Lauren Bauer; and Heather Elizabeth Bauer; and 3 great grandchildren, Julie Lynn Stearsman, and Zachary and Jonah Fox. She was preceded in death by her husband, Louie Wayne Ackerson. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, November 4, 2011 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte, with Pastors John Bailey and Scott Brood officiating. The family will receive guests at 1:00 p.m., just prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Eaton Community Hospice House. Online condolences may be made at www.prayfuneral.com. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, Michigan.

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty Jean Ackerson*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *So sorry to hear of this Julie and Marsha.....God bless you.*

linda chartrand - January 22, 2012 at 09:40 PM

CM

“ *Marsha,myself and others wish we could be there for you and your family for comfort and support. Everyone sends condolences and hugs. We love you.*

Cheryl Morrell - November 04, 2011 at 03:14 PM

DA

“ There are not many people who enter our lives and remain. Betty and Louie have been there since my earliest memories. They were kind, sweet, generous, always loving and strong. They were very much a part of the culture in which I was raised. They helped form my character and beliefs. Oh how I love them. It is so hard to say good bye to precious friends, and yet I await eagerly our renewed meeting in heaven with our Heavenly Father and all those who have gone before. Betty was a good and faithful friend to Mother Allen, Mary. Don and I were so pleased to see such a rich friendship that had letters flying back and forth between Charlotte and Bath. Betty and Louie formed a wonderful family whom I have continued to pray for over the passing decades, and will continue to. I love you all and hold you up to our Father God as you say good bye to such a loving and centering matriarch. God Bless you all.

Don and Michelle Allen - November 04, 2011 at 11:31 AM

RB

“ Betty was the first Sunday school teacher I remember down in the basement of Lakeside Chapel when I was a kid growing up in Bath. Then she was my first boss as I worked in the office at LCS. She was a mentor and a friend. My most memorable story was when she told me how she and Louie had left Norma in the Nursery at Lakeside and headed home when Norma was a newborn. Norma was a later in life baby like myself. We always had a good laugh about that story and enjoyed many fun memories and stories. I will never forget her laugh and warm smiling face. Gone, but remembered fondly, and looking forward to seeing her again one day. Rose

Rose Baxter - November 04, 2011 at 10:46 AM

JR

“ *Betty was a big part of the many years we shared the experience of Lansing Christian. Our sincere sympathy to her family.*

John and Bonnie Roberts - November 04, 2011 at 01:29 AM

AC

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the May girls for your loss of this lovely lady. I know she was a very special person to all of you.*

Amanda Carr - November 03, 2011 at 12:38 PM

GF

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Marsha & fmly . I am so sorry for your loss .*

Gina Foret - November 03, 2011 at 11:46 AM

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Gina Foret - November 03, 2011 at 11:44 AM

SA

“ One on my fondest memories of Aunt Betty is a time that she and Uncle Louie were visiting my parents, Glenn and Willie, at "the farm". All four were talking in the driveway as I pulled in on my motorcycle. My very proper and reserved aunt surprised me with a request for a ride on the back of my motorcycle. I couldn't believe that she wanted to ride a motorcycle let alone with a skinny young kid. That request seemed way out of character. I agreed and away we went on a quick tour of the country roads surrounding "the farm". I couldn't help but add a few extra thrills here and there. It wasn't often that you get a chance to scare the crap out someone like Aunt Betty. At the end of the ride she she seemed relieved, but the look of pure joy and excitement that my reserved and proper aunt had on her face after that ride has stayed with me through the years.

Skip Ackerson - November 03, 2011 at 10:33 AM

LI

“ Dear Ackerson family, How well I remember the gracious lady who was "Aunt Betty" to so many of us. She was warmly welcoming to all who came to the office at Lansing Christian School: students, parents, staff, visitors. My favorite memory was that she also functioned as the librarian at LCS and I would often check out books from her.

Laurie Iversen - November 03, 2011 at 09:08 AM