



## Betty Ann Nichols

April 3, 1920 - June 30, 2020

Elizabeth "Betty" Ann Nichols, 100, of Nashville, MI, went home to be with Jesus on Tuesday, June 30, 2020, surrounded by her loving family. Betty was born April 3, 1920 in Bellevue, MI, the daughter of William and Flossie (Vocker) Hoeflinger. She graduated from Vermontville High School in 1938 and married William Jacob Nichols on March 14, 1943. In her early years, she worked as a waitress, then 12 years at J.C. Penney where she served as Women's Sportswear Manager from 1942-1945. She later worked as secretary at Craig Swanson's Commercial Foods in Nashville, retiring in 1995. Throughout the years, Betty was an active member of the Auxiliaries of Nashville VFW Post 8260 and Charlotte American Legion Post 42, was President of both, as well as of VFW 8th District. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and faithfully attended Chester Gospel Church. In her downtime, she enjoyed reading and crocheting.

Betty is survived by her children, Yvonne Wright, William (Cathy) Nichols, Sheila (Russie Gilley) Braden, and Ross (Tammy) Nichols; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Peggy Nichols; sister, Barbara Bleisch; brothers, William (Naomi) Hoeflinger and Richard (Ellie) Hoeflinger; and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her husband of 67 years, William Nichols; son, David Nichols; son-in-law, Ballard Wright; sisters, Catherine Hoeflinger, Ruth Mahar, and Marilyn Francis; and brother, George Hoeflinger.

Friends are encouraged to support Betty's family. Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Pastors Marc Livingston and Dennis Weeks officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 at Pray Funeral Home. Interment will take place in Chapel Hill in Lansing. The funeral service will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com), click on Betty's tribute, and then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). Just prior to the beginning of the service, a link will appear on this page to watch the webcast. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Chester Gospel Church. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Betty on her Tribute Page at [www.PrayFuneral.com](http://www.PrayFuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

4444 West Grand River Avenue  
Lansing, MI 48906

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Visitation

JUL 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Ceremony

JUL 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Betty Ann Nichols*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 07, 2020 at 02:56 PM

CC

*Beautiful service! Sending love and prayers to your family!*

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**Carol & Mike Creed** - July 08, 2020 at 11:37 AM

BH

“ *BILL and Betty two very special folks reunited again in heaven  
Huuki hugs*

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**Bud and Ruth Huuki** - July 12, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 10, 2020 at 09:54 AM

WN

*This is my Mothers funeral service.*

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**William Nichols** - July 11, 2020 at 09:09 AM

SS

*Thank you family for sharing this video beings as I couldn't be there, I love all of you and you are in my prayers.*

shirley shirey-karn - July 11, 2020 at 10:34 PM

CP

*“ Aunt Betty was a very special lady. My Michigan trips won't be the same without her smiles, she will be miss. Love you Aunt Betty. Love Cathy and Perry.*

Cathy powell - July 08, 2020 at 12:11 PM



*“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Nichols.*



July 06, 2020 at 08:34 PM



*“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Nichols.*



July 06, 2020 at 07:12 PM

SS

*“ Betty always had a smile when she and her husband attended the American Legion Christmas dinners and other events in Vermontville.  
I'm pleased I saw her in the last year, just once with her daughter.*

Shirley K Stanton - July 06, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Nichols.*



July 05, 2020 at 07:51 PM



“ *My Aunt Betty was a wonderful Christian lady, I remember as a child spending many weekends at her house. She always treated us with such love and kindness. We loved going there. She was a very special lady and I loved her with all my heart. She will be missed, but I shall see her again when I get to heaven. I love you Aunt Betty, thank you for always being so good to me. To Yvonne, Bill and Ross and the rest of the family, I love you and I pray for God's Comfort and peace for you all.*

**Shirley Shirey-Karn** - July 03, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Nichols.*



July 02, 2020 at 09:36 PM

RD

“ So sorry we were not able to come visit. I will miss seeing Aunt Betty at Eaton Place the next time we visit. I loved her so much. Love you all, and will be praying for you all.

*Ruthie DeMoure*

Ruthie DeMoure - July 02, 2020 at 07:41 PM

KA

*Another Angel gone from earth!*

Karol - July 03, 2020 at 02:00 PM

CM

“ Mrs. Nichols was a really good lady that spent hours doing work for the community. She loved her family. I want to send hugs to Peggy, Wade and his family and Kelly and her family. Dave and Peggy were great friends of ours for many many years. Sheila I went to school with and know Bill, Yvonne thru facebook. Ross was a lot younger. This lady will be greatly missed by all that knew her.

Carol Miller - July 02, 2020 at 05:10 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Nichols.



July 02, 2020 at 05:02 PM

SS

“ I am blessed abundantly for being a part of this family since childhood. Though we lost touch for a few years it has been a blessing to reunite. I loved Aunt Betty, loved our visits and phone calls. I will miss her but praise God I will see her again when I meet Jesus for myself. Love to all my family and God bless your future.

Sharen Schavey - July 02, 2020 at 04:49 PM

EG

“ Eva M Gilley sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Ann Nichols



Eva M Gilley - July 02, 2020 at 03:26 PM

EG

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Eva M Gilley - July 02, 2020 at 03:18 PM

EG

Such A Sweet Lady,Blessed To Get To Meet Shelia's Mom

Eva M Gilley - July 02, 2020 at 03:23 PM

RH

“ I am so glad that the last few years we have been able to meet so many times. What a pleasure for us to celebrate Aunt Betty’s life and know she is in the presence of Jesus our Savior! Love you all and praying for you 🙏❤️

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**Ron Hoeflinger** - July 02, 2020 at 01:58 PM