



Alta Elizabeth "Betty" Donovan

August 29, 1916 - August 24, 2020

Betty Donovan was born Alta Elizabeth Bowman on August 29, 1916, in Hereford, Texas. She passed peacefully into heaven August 24, 2020, just five days before her 104th birthday.

Betty lived a long life of love and grace, serving in the Immanuel Baptist Church choir for many years, and volunteering weekly for the church office until she was in her nineties. She was a loving and devoted wife to Hal Donovan, who passed away shortly before their 75th wedding anniversary. Together Hal and Betty ran Arrowpines Christian Conference Center for 13 years. Hal and Betty enjoyed traveling in their motorhome and vacationing with life-long friends.

Betty was a dedicated homemaker, and she hosted large, family holiday dinners until her mid-nineties. She made sure to make each one of her family members' favorite dishes. Her life radiated the love of her Lord, and she exemplified the Proverbs 31 woman.

Proverbs 31:28&29 says, "Her children arise and call her blessed, her husband also, and he praises her: Many women do noble things but you surpass them all!"

Upon entering heaven, Betty was reunited with many loved ones, including her husband Hal and her great-grandchildren Jordan and Kylie. She is survived by her two sons, Wayne and Reggie, and her daughters-in-law, Novita and Jeanie. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

Betty's Celebration of life service will be Tuesday, September 15, at 11 a.m. at Bobbitt Memorial Chapel, 1299 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino, Ca 92404. Graveside service at 1:00 p.m. at Montecito Memorial Park and Mortuary, 3520 E. Washington St., Colton, Ca 92324

Cemetery

Montecito Memorial Park

3520 E. Washington Street
Colton, CA, 92324

Events

SEP 15 **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

Bobbitt Memorial Chapel
1299 E Highland Avenue, San Bernardino, CA, US,
92404

SEP 15 **Committal Service** 01:00PM - 01:30PM

Montecito Memorial Park
3520 E. Washington Street, Colton, CA, US, 92324

Comments



“ Melanie Anderson lit a candle in memory of Alta Elizabeth "Betty" Donovan



Melanie Anderson - September 14 at 12:47 PM



“ I have known grandma almost all of my life. She is my sister's mother-in-law.

Grandma was always firmly grounded in her faith in God. First and foremost. She's was intelligent, determined, graceful, quiet, wise, and one of the strongest women I have ever known.

Part of my life was shaped by my observation of Grandma's life.

Grandma had a wonderful husband who was kind and took complete care of her, and Grandma in turn, seemed to worship the ground Grandpa walked on. They were comfortable with one another, and she always told me in all of their years of marriage, they were never apart for even one night.

I learned the value of love and respect between a husband and wife at a very young age. Grandma took care of her husband and Grandpa took care of her. By observing Grandma's marriage, I learned the value of love between a man and a woman.

Grandma always had beautiful hair. For as long as I can remember, she went to the beauty shop every Friday. And then, when she could no longer venture out to the beauty shop herself, the beauty shop came to her.

She was always impeccably dressed, with the most beautifully coordinated pant suits and sparkly matching jewelry to match.

She was blessed with a "peaches and cream" complexion that was smooth, and the color of ivory.

I learned from Grandma the importance of caring for ourselves no matter what our age. She was always beautiful.

Grandma was faithful all of her life to our God. Her belief and love of God was always quietly evident in her life. She had a peace that radiated from her soul. I could feel it and sense it.

After Grandpa died, Grandma continued to drive herself in her pretty mauve colored Cadillac every Sunday to go to Sunday school and church. She was an independent woman and was determined to drive herself to church to worship our God. Every single Sunday.

Grandma taught me the importance of everlasting faith in God even through the most

difficult times in our lives...and.... to remain determined to drive ourselves to church every Sunday, every single Sunday, no matter what. Even if I'm 100 years old!

May you rest in peace Grandma. Heaven welcomed a unique and wonderful child of God. Thank you for helping to shape my life. I love you.

Melanie Anderson - September 14 at 11:25 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Alta Elizabeth "Betty" Donovan.



September 12 at 05:12 PM



“ Betty was one of the most beautiful women we have ever known. Her love for the Lord showed through in everything she did or said. Her smile was infectious. She was a member of the Coring Bible Study Class at Immanuel Baptist Church where we were Directors of the class. She was there every Sunday, all dressed up so beautifully. She would share stories about her family and friends and how God had blessed her so much. She will be missed here on this earth... but we look forward to joining her again in this journey of life one of these days ahead. God is good. She is up in heaven rejoicing with no pain and suffering. We love you Betty. We send prayers and condolences to her family. Jerry and Ann Atkinson

Ann Atkinson - September 10 at 10:19 PM