



## Betty Jean Elam

June 26, 1928 - July 31, 2024

In loving memory of Betty Jean Elam, a beloved member of the Mooresville community, who passed away on July 31, 2024, at the age of 96. Betty was born on June 26, 1928, in Iredell County, to parents Lester and Anna Massey Alexander.

Having attended Celeste Henkel and Mitchell Community College, Betty found her passion as a talented seamstress, working at Magla Products and later exploring roles in childcare and food services. She deeply cherished her faith journey, initially starting at Beulah Baptist Church before becoming a dedicated member of Wiggins Road Baptist Church in Mooresville.

Betty's joyful spirit shone through her love for NC State, the Atlanta Braves, admiration for Betty Boop, and appreciation for Dale Earnhardt. She was a devoted reader and often expressed her affection with the endearing phrase, "hey pretty lady." Betty's world revolved around her family, including her children Sandra Rochester, Robin Reynolds (Mark), and Penny Ludwig (Robbie), as well as her grandchildren, Tracey Lawing, Kelly Lawing, Carl Rochester, Jr. (Sarah), Daniel Rochester, David Ludwig (Emily) and Wesley Ludwig (Morgan), great-grandchildren, Storm Conaway, Savannah Jones, Jacey Keener, Colby Rochester and Lyla Ludwig and great-great-grandchildren, Jaden, Jullian and ava Campos. Betty is also survived by a sister, Fern Morrison. She had a special place in her heart for her late dog,

Woody.

Preceded in death by her husbands, James Stroud, Joe Rogers, and Jim Elam, as well as her son Reggie Stroud and siblings, Mildred Graham, Berlene Cook, Parks Alexander, Sara Doris Alexander and Jimmy Alexander.

Betty leaves behind a lasting legacy of love and warmth. Her Celebration of Life will be held at 12 Noon on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at the Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel in Mooresville, with interment at Glenwood Memorial Park to follow.

In honor of Betty's memory, the family welcomes donations to Hospice and Palliative Care of Iredell County or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Please join us in celebrating Betty's life and sharing in our fond memories of her. More information about services can be found at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com). We will forever hold Betty in our hearts, remembering her contagious smile and unwavering love.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG 6. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Chapel  
494 E. Plaza Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

## Graveside Service

AUG 6. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Glenwood Memorial Park  
273 Glenwood Drive  
 Mooresville, NC 28115

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was blessed to know Betty and Penny for many years. I have fond memories getting to know Betty and Penny especially in the late 70's. She was very supportive and kind. My prayers are with Penny and the family. Betty lived a long and fruitful life.

Ritchie Oliphant - August 11, 2024 at 09:24 PM

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“ Charlene looney purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Betty Jean Elam.



Charlene looney - August 02, 2024 at 04:58 PM

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“ Charlene looney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Jean Elam.

Charlene looney - August 02, 2024 at 04:58 PM

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“ Countryside Mobile Park purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Betty Jean Elam.



Countryside Mobile Park - August 02, 2024 at 10:12 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Elam.*



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August 02, 2024 at 09:57 AM



“ *Aprio Dental Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Jean Elam.*

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**Aprio Dental Team** - August 02, 2024 at 09:57 AM



“ *She was such a very sweet lady. I love the picture that she colored for me. I am going to miss her very much.*



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**Angie Black** - August 02, 2024 at 09:04 AM



“ *Tracey Lawing lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Elam*



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**Tracey Lawing** - August 02, 2024 at 08:37 AM

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“ *Mary Plyler lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Elam*



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**Mary Plyler** - August 01, 2024 at 08:33 PM

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“ *She was a special lady to me. When I lost my Mama 2 years ago she told me she would be ma Mama. You're gonna be missed Pretty Lady. Love you*

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**Mary Plyler** - August 01, 2024 at 08:30 PM