



Mrs. Betty Lou Stringer

May 5, 1928 - August 12, 2022

Betty Lou (Gauldin) Stringer of Willow Springs, peacefully went to her heavenly home on August 12, 2022, at the age of 94. She was born on May 5, 1928, in Jefferson City, MO to Edmund and Lucy (Boulware) Gauldin.

Betty graduated in 1946 in WSHS. She married Roy Lee Stringer on July 2, 1947, in Willow Springs, and they enjoyed 51 years together. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend to many. She really missed going to the First Baptist Church these last few years due to Covid and her declining health. She was affectionally known as “Miss Betty, the lunch lady” at the Willow Springs Middle School for 27 years. She decided to retire early when she turned 90. She loved all of her “kids”, the ladies she worked with, and Son #1 and Son #2. She enjoyed going to coffee after work with the girls. She loved to bake and was well known for her wonderful angel food cakes. She and her best friend and sister, Marguerite, made many, many trips to Branson. First, they went with the grandkids to Silver Dollar City; after the grandkids grew up, the two sisters kept going (a lot) to go to the shows and shop. She enjoyed spending the summers in the Kansas City area with her daughter Pamela’s family and their large group of friends. She was “NeNe” to all of them, especially her “hairy chested pot-bellied boys” and special buddy, Chloe Slimm.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and her siblings:

Edmund, Robert, Claude, and Marguerite.

Betty leaves behind her daughter, Janet Prater and granddaughter, Rachel of Willow Springs; daughter, Linda Stringer, also of Willow Springs; daughter, Pam Gresham (Jack) of Peculiar, MO; grandson Shea Connelly (Denise) of Raymore, MO, and granddaughter, Lanni Edwards (Josh) of Lee's Summit, MO. She also had 5 great-grandchildren: Caden and Kaylee Connelly, and Morgan, Avery, and Alexandra Edwards, and many nieces and nephews.

For those who wish to donate in Betty's memory, they may do so to the Willow Springs Scholarship Club, and they may be left at the funeral home.

A memorial service for Betty will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at 11:00 A.M. at the First Baptist Church in Willow Springs, with Pastor Joel Hinds officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home, LLC. Online condolences may be left at www.willowspringsfunerlhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
402 N Harris Street
Willow Springs, MO 65793
(417) 469-3295
<http://firstbaptistws.org>

Tribute Wall

JW

“ James And Jean Worley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Lou Stringer



James and jean worley - August 15, 2022 at 12:34 PM

RF

“ Working with this lady was a blessing everyday at school. BETTY LOU was loved by so many her & Roy Lee are together forever. PRAYERS for all her family & friends



Reda Foster - August 14, 2022 at 04:30 PM

CU

She once gave a bunch of clothes to my student from a school she didn't even work at because the student was teased. She even gave her jewelry, perfume and make-up. My student cried when she got it

Cretia Ussery - August 14, 2022 at 04:47 PM

JB

I loved Betty she was a lady and made the best angel food cakes if never had a piece of them you have never had any angel food cake sorry for the family loss she was one of the best

James Brown - August 14, 2022 at 05:13 PM

MC

Betty was a very sweet lady. I enjoyed talking g with her. She will be truly missed prayers for her daughter Jan and the family

Melissa Collins - August 16, 2022 at 03:19 PM