



## Betty Ruth Cook Singleton

November 20, 1934 - November 22, 2021

Nov. 20, 1934 to Nov. 22, 2021

Did you know she was the oldest of ten? Betty Ruth Cook Singleton, age 87 of Centre, passed away on Monday, November 22, 2021, at her home in Austin, Texas.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, December 4th from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Perry Funeral Home followed by a burial service at Cherokee Memory Garden Cemetery in Centre, AL. Because of Betty's love for children in lieu of flowers, feel free to honor her memory by contributing to CASA of Travis County, TX, the Alzheimer's Association, or another charity of your choice.

Pallbearers will include Danny Singleton, Randy Cook, Dan Byrne, Conor Byrne, Devin Byrne, and Liam Kozma.

Survivors include her son, Danny Singleton and his wife, Laura Singleton, her daughter, Darlene Byrne, and her husband Dan Byrne, her siblings, Larry Cook and his wife, Barbara Cook, June Morrison and her husband Glenn Morrison, Randy Cook and his wife, Sue Cook, her grandchildren, Anna Laura Singleton, Jonathan Singleton, Matthew Singleton, Nathan Singleton, Hannah Kate Singleton, Erin Kozma and her husband, Maj. Liam Kozma, Conor Byrne and Devin Byrne.

She is preceded in death by her sweetheart and husband of 59 years, Jimmy Singleton, and her siblings, Aaron Grady Cook, Grady Lee Cook, Jr., George Nathaniel Cook, Rachel Louise Cook Driver, Annice Elizabeth Cook Gresham,

and Gail Ruth Cook Dunn.

Betty was the proud daughter of the late Rev. Grady Lee Cook and Annice Christine Cook.

If you knew Betty, you would know she was a proud big sister. She started most conversations with “I am the oldest of ten.” Betty was a “glass is half full” type of person. She loved life, her family, and her friends. She had a wanderlust as well. She scratched that itch by becoming a motorhome tour guide in the later years of her working life. She toured all 50 states, Mexico, and Canada. She was an amazing mother and grandmother. Her grandchildren often had summer vacations at Camp Singleton where they played in the lake, pool, hot tub, on the tractor, lawn mowers and golf carts. Betty was a noun and verb. In her children’s homes—you would know you had been Betty’d when your clothes had been washed, your room had been tidied and your dishes all cleaned without you even knowing they were dirty yet. She was a proud ambassador for Christ. As a preacher’s daughter, she had a love for God and knew her God is a very good God. Even in her days battling Alzheimer’s she was a faithful church goer and took the time to pray for and with the many who cared for and served her. Betty will be missed by her family and friends. Truly heaven welcomed an angel home on Nov. 22, 2021.

# Cemetery Details

## Cherokee Memory Garden Mausoleum

Centre, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 4. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Perry Funeral Home  
1611 Clarence E Chesnut Jr Bypass  
Centre, AL 35960  
(256) 927-3222

## Cryptside Service

DEC 4. 12:45 PM (CT)

Cherokee Memory Garden Mausoleum  
Centre, AL

# Tribute Wall

AS

“ Dear Danny, Darlene and Family,  
I want to thank you for letting me be a part of Jimmy and Betty’s life and part of your family. It was the best year of my life. They were so good and kind to me! We had a lot of fun and I really enjoyed living with them that half a year.  
The fishing, the terrapin creek jungle cruises, the grilled steaks, the hot tub, playing golf, the delicious margaritas, we had a blast!  
I can almost recall every day I had the joy and the luck to be with them.  
I remember when a Tornado hit Danny’s home and we went to help. My Mom and Dad were always grateful for you love and kindness, and I think they really liked each other.  
God Bless you always Mom.  
You will always be in my prayers and in my heart.  
Sincerely,  
Andres Galan Solorzano

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**Andres Galan Solorzano** - December 14, 2021 at 11:11 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.



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December 03, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.*



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December 02, 2021 at 05:23 PM



“ *First Baptist Church of Blackshear expresses sympathy to the Singleton Family.*

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**FBC Blackshear** - December 02, 2021 at 01:40 PM



“ *White Sympathy Baskets was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.*



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December 02, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.*



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December 01, 2021 at 11:43 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Standing Wreath was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.*



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December 01, 2021 at 11:44 AM



“ *It was always a joy to arrive at your house and see Betty's smiling face. What an utterly lovely woman, I will miss her!*

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**Lucy MacQueen** - December 01, 2021 at 09:11 AM

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“ *Danny, Darlene & Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss of your dear  
Mama.  
I met Betty & Jimmy when I first moved to  
Centre, AL. in 1974, & became a Sub-  
Teacher at the High School! Then later when I moved back to  
Centre in 1984 while managing the Pro-shop at the Country Club, I  
got to know them better. Back in 1974, Little did I know I would  
become an "In-law" Cousin to them, when I married Billy A. Brooks!  
I was welcomed into the wonderful Family, & enjoyed a special  
closeness to Betty. She was such a sweet & caring person, &  
Jimmy & I became good friends too. Jimmy's Mama, Edna was My  
Billy's 1st. cousin. Edna's Mama was a Brooks. She & Billy's Daddy  
(Ben) were Brother & Sister!! I got to know all of the Wonderful  
Family of Cousin's at the Family Reunions. Betty & I shared a great  
love of Travelling & comparing trips & exchanging traveling notes &  
photos. I have missed Betty since she moved to TX., & will miss her  
even more now, but I know I will see her & Jimmy again some  
wonderful Day when Christ returns to gather His Faithful Children  
Home to be with Him in Heaven!!  
May God give each of you comfort during this time of grieving the  
loss of your Precious Mama & Grandmother, is my prayer for you.  
Lovingly,*



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**ELAINE CALLAWAY BROOKS** - November 30, 2021 at 12:59 PM

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“ *Our condolences to the family. We have  
known both the Cook & Singleton families all  
of our life. Donna Williams Truett and Judy  
Williams Runyon*



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**Donna Truett** - November 29, 2021 at 09:37 PM

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“ *Great memories of my time spent with this beautiful lady.. Linda Simmons*

**Linda Simmons** - November 29, 2021 at 11:50 AM



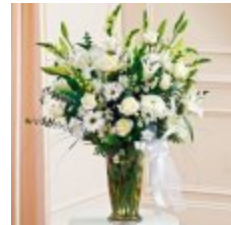
“ *Becky Gray lit a candle in memory of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton*



**Becky Gray** - November 29, 2021 at 11:13 AM



“ *White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.*



November 29, 2021 at 10:16 AM

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“ *Some of my fondest memories include Aunt Betty! I know she is rejoicing with Uncle Jimmy and all the loved ones that have gone on before us! I'll always remember her for that smile and the love she had for her family. She was a jewel for sure!!*

**Lane and Lynn Singleton** - November 28, 2021 at 06:15 PM

DB

“ Dean Buttram lit a candle in memory of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton



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Dean Buttram - November 28, 2021 at 02:22 PM

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“ In 2006, Kevin and I had the pleasure of spending several days at Camp Singleton, joining a family vacation with Darlene, Dan and the kids. Jimmy and Betty were the most gracious hosts. We went pontooning I think everyday to a different destination around Lake Weiss. I ate my first grits at a restaurant Jimmy and Betty took us to across the lake. I'll never forget buying beer from a "wet" county to bring back to a "dry" Cherokee county. But the most memorable and special time of that trip was the day Betty took me for a tour around her Homeland(s).

Given the travel agent she was, I got the grand Betty tour! We went to places in Centre where she and Jimmy had previously lived. The farm where she and Jimmy raised their family. The stores they shopped at (they had a Piggly Wiggly!), and so many other fond places Betty cherished. And then, we went across the border to Rome Georgia where Betty showed me her side of family history. I got to see the place Jimmy proposed to her and the old downtown square. And the place where she and all those nine other siblings grew-up. She had such good recollection of every footstep of that town.

On our way back to Centre, we stopped to see her mother. Betty introduced me to her Mom as "a good family member". How blessed I was to be considered her family. How blessed I was to have so many more years of knowing her and making more memories. I am so blessed that I ever got to have Ms. Betty in my life. I will miss this very special woman, and will always cherish my memories of her.

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lisa - November 27, 2021 at 06:06 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Betty Ruth Cook Singleton.*



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November 27, 2021 at 01:57 PM



“ *How blessed to have known Betty! I'm glad she's home now with Jimmy! I love you Betty!*

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**Shanna Igo** - November 27, 2021 at 01:50 PM