



Betty Jo Walter

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Betty Jo Walter, 91, of Largo, Florida (formerly of Ashland, KY) passed away at home, under Hospice Care, on January 5, 2025, with her family by her side.

Mrs. Walter was born to the late James “Jack” Vernon and Gertrude Helen Runyon on November 1, 1933, in Ashland, Kentucky.

Mrs. Walter graduated from Ashland High School in 1951. After raising her eight children, Mrs. Walter was employed by Ashland Oil and later, Russell High School. She was a member of Central Baptist Church.

Mrs. Walter was preceded in death by her husband, Marquis de Lafayette Walter; parents, James and Gertrude Runyon; a grandson, James Russell “Rusty” Burke; a sister, Dorothy “Dot” Jean Menefee, and a brother, Jack Harvey Runyon; seven brothers-in-law, Bill Menefee, Steve Moore, Jack, John Paul, Dick, and Grady Walter, Bob Nipp Sr.; and three sisters-in-law, Cathy Runyon, Norida Nipp, and Patsy Walter.

Mrs. Walter is survived by her eight children, John Randy, Mark (Pam), Jacque (Dale), Jeanie (Jon), Jim, Beverly, Danny (Julie), and Mary Beth; twelve grandchildren, Angela (Matt), Cristin (Chris), Matthew (Amanda), Mande (Tammy), Anna, Bonnie (Khemaran), Shelby, Zachary, Ryan, Samantha (Ricky), Tori (Brandon), and Trent; twenty great grandchildren, Malia, Alayna, Isaiah, Noah, Sydney, Anniston, Paisley, Tyler, Micah, Austin,

Madison, Nathan, Devan, Kiley, Ben, Ryleigh, Levi, Lexi, Brenton, and Khalil; a sister, Linda Moore; and a brother, Fred Runyon (Susan); one brother-in-law, Theodore "Ted" Walter; and four sisters-in-law, Sylvia, Jenny, Carole, and Sue Walter. Mrs. Walter is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and extended loved ones.

Mrs. Walter enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening, sewing, quilting, traveling, playing cards, watching sports (UK football and basketball, Tampa Bay Bucs, Rays, and Lightning), horse racing, bingo, going to the pool and beach, organizing parties and reunions, but most of all spending time with her children, grandchildren, family, and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 PM Saturday, January 18, 2025, at Miller Funeral Home in Ashland, Kentucky with Reverend Marty Gute Officiating. Her final resting place will be at the Golden Oaks Memorial Gardens in Ashland. Family viewing will be from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Family will receive friends from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Saturday January 18, 2025 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to The Rusty Burke Scholarship Fund. Checks may be made payable to The Rusty Burke Scholarship Fund and mailed to 2204 Lauren Drive, Largo, Florida 33774. Online Condolences may be offered at www.mfhome.com

Cemetery Details

Golden Oaks Memorial Gardens

422 55th St
Ashland, KY 41101

Previous Events

Family Viewing

JAN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home
1941 Carter Ave
Ashland, KY 41101
(606) 324-2141
jim@mhfhome.com

Receive Friends

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Memorial Service

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millerfuneralhome@windstream.net

Tribute Wall

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“ *What a special lady Betty Jo was!!! The world was a better place with her in it. Love the Walter's family and praying for you all. Missy Figley Morris and family*

Missy Morris - January 18, 2025 at 11:13 AM

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“ *You will be missed Betty Jo, and you will be remembered may you rest in peace -Cameron M.*

Cameron Menefee - January 18, 2025 at 08:34 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Betty Jo Walter.*



January 17, 2025 at 07:43 AM

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“ *Betty Jo, Dot and I go back a long way when they lived on 29th Street and I on Holt Street and Condit School days. More recently she and Lafe with J. D. and I and others met in Okeechobee, FL. for a mini "Tomcat" reunion. Mary and Jackie also joined us too. She and Lafe were favorite friends and she will be missed. My sympathy to the family. Donna Welch*

Donna Barber Welch - January 09, 2025 at 12:18 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betty Jo Walter.

January 07, 2025 at 12:59 AM



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January 07, 2025 at 12:59 AM



“ Betty Jo, you are such a special lady with a gigantic heart. You and your family always welcomed me with open arms and for that I am grateful. You are a special lady and will certainly be missed. Love you



Debbie Creed - January 06, 2025 at 08:00 PM



Dearest Mary, I have gone off Facebook so I didn't know your sweet mama had passed. What a wonderful daughter you were to her. You loved her so well. Sean and I send you and your family all our condolences, love, and prayers.
Sean and Beth McKenzie

Beth McKenzie - January 13, 2025 at 02:37 PM