

Betty Lou Will

June 5, 1940 - February 13, 2026

Betty Lou Will, 85, of Bowling Green, formerly of Louisiana, died February 13, 2026, at Mercy Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Betty was born in Louisiana, MO on June 5, 1940. She was the daughter of Clarence J. Woodward and Melva M. (Moore) Woodward.

She attended high school in Louisiana, and after graduation, was united in marriage to George W. Suddarth, and to this union, there were four children. George W. Suddarth Jr., Cynthia Lou (Suddarth) Greenwood, Melvia Gail Suddarth, and Justine Michelle Suddarth.

Betty and George were married for 19 years, and although this marriage was dissolved, they remained friends.

Betty attended Eolia Vocational Technical School where she received her degree as a Licensed Practical Nurse. She viewed this as one of her most cherished accomplishments and embarked on a nursing career which spanned more than 30 years. Betty worked at Maple Grove Lodge, Levering Hospital and later did private duty nursing. After moving to Troy MO, Betty worked at Community Opportunities for several years and later retired.

After retiring, Betty moved back to the Pike County area, living first in Louisiana, and then in Bowling Green, next to her daughter.

Betty was baptized and went to Dover Baptist Church as a child. As an adult, she was a member of the First Baptist Church in Louisiana, as well as Noix Creek Baptist church. However, in later years, Betty no longer attended religious services.

Betty was a wonderful mother to her children. She enjoyed sewing and made clothing for her family, as well as other people. She was great cook and took joy in gardening and canning. She had a loving heart and a kind and generous nature.

She is survived by her children, Bill Suddarth and his wife Donna, of Louisiana, MO. Cyndi Greenwood, of Salisbury, North Carolina, Gail Suddarth and partner, Santos, of Bowling Green, MO., and Justine Suddarth and partner, Rick, Of Loudon, Tennessee. Also surviving, her sister, Phyllis K. Penrod and husband Ralph, as well as her grandchildren, Gabe Suddarth, Kyle Suddarth, Jessica Randolph, Christopher Suddarth, Marissa Hill, Cameron Suddarth, Adrian Suddarth and Sydney Ensley, great-grandchildren, Madison, Karma, Gunnar, Bella, Brenden, Will, Landon, Princeton, Dominic, Jenna, Kayla, Baden, Bella, Logan, Karsyn and Emery. Great-great-grandchildren, D.J., Elijah, Amaya, Izrela, Aviana, Amari, and Giovanni. She was preceded in death by her parents, Clarence and Melva, her sister, Cleo May and her son-in-law, Steven L. Greenwood. Collier Funeral Home is in charge of cremation rites. A Celebration of Life will be scheduled at a later date.

Tribute Wall

AH

“ *Betty was and still is my best friend we did alot together I miss her so much* ”

Angela hall - February 27 at 03:07 AM

JH

“ *John Linda Harmon lit a candle in memory of Betty Lou Will* ”



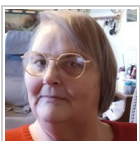
John Linda Harmon - February 23 at 11:53 AM

LM

“ *Leon Mannahan lit a candle in memory of Betty Lou Will* ”



Leon Mannahan - February 23 at 10:33 AM



“ *I was a neighbor of Betty's when we both lived in Louisiana at The Thomas Apartments. She was a very nice woman. She will be greatly missed.* ”



Lawanda Willis - February 23 at 12:02 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty Lou Will.*



February 22 at 06:35 PM



“ *Sending my condolences for the loss of your mother, thoughts and prayers to all. What I remember most is that she was such an elaborate dresser, what a beautiful lady with so much class and grace, with a wonderful personality and smile. She was always so kind to others. I'll never forget when Kyle was born, how much I was over at their house she treated me always with respect and was so kind. Fly high Betty.*



Sally Raufer - February 21 at 11:14 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. I first met Betty when she babysit for me. Then years later we went to Nursing school together. She and her family were very nice.*

Ernestine Grimmett - February 20 at 06:31 PM



“ *Rita Elder lit a candle in memory of Betty Lou Will*



Rita Elder - February 20 at 11:48 AM

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“ WANDA HUNTER lit a candle in memory of Betty Lou Will



WANDA HUNTER - February 20 at 10:36 AM

DM

“ Dorothy Mcdaniel lit a candle in memory of Betty Lou Will



Dorothy Mcdaniel - February 20 at 10:16 AM



“ Sorry to hear about Betty,s pasting

Sid Worthington - February 20 at 08:32 AM

LW

Gail and family I am so sorry for your loss. Hugs and prayers. Lona Wallace

Lona Wallace - February 20 at 11:34 AM