

*In loving
memory of*



*Betty Lou
Carr*

Beloved wife, mother, grandmother, cousin, aunt, and friend

May 04, 1936 - January 17, 2025

Betty Lou Carr (Callaway), beloved nurse and devoted matriarch, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, January 17, 2025, at the age of 88. Born on May 4, 1936, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Betty was the daughter of Louise Harriston and Chester Callaway. She graduated from Washington School in 1954 and pursued her passion for healthcare, earning a diploma in Nursing from The Mercy Hospital School of Nursing and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Madonna College.

On December 3, 1958, Betty married the love of her life, Leroy Carr, in Forsyth, North Carolina. They met while in high school and moved to Michigan together. They were married for 36 years before he passed on July 22, 1995. Their union blessed them with two children.

Betty dedicated her career to the well-being of others, serving as a registered nurse for 38 years. She retired on July 2, 1996, after a dedicated 16-year career at Detroit Receiving Hospital.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Betty cherished her hobbies and loved ones. She found joy in playing casino games, solving crossword puzzles, and spending time with her family. Betty enjoyed riding the senior bus each week with all of her friends. A three-time breast cancer survivor, Betty faced adversity with unwavering strength and grace.

Known for her infectious laughter, Betty was a vibrant presence in the lives of those who knew her. She was a generous soul who always welcomed others into her home and shared her life stories with warmth and humor.

She loved going to visit Portsmouth and telling stories about her upbringing there between visits. Betty and Helen, her predeceased sister in law, would go shopping everyday. There was no Target store that was safe from them. She told stories about their shopping trips often. When you saw Betty, you saw Pepsi.







Betty leaves behind a legacy of love and kindness. She is survived by her son, Marcus Carr Sr.; grandchildren, Bianca (Tiara) Carr, Marcus Carr Jr., Charita (Jonathan) Jones; great-grandchildren, Leah Jones, Caileb Williams, Marcus Carr III; sister, Paula Watson; sister-in-law, Dorothy Carr; former daughter-in-law, Kim Carr; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She is also survived by her beloved canine companion, Sad'E (aka "the little pooh"), who brought immense joy and companionship into her life.

Betty was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Leroy Carr Sr.; son, Leroy Carr Jr.; great-grandchild, Davion Smith; parents, Louise Harriston and Chester Callaway; grandmother, Hazel Marie Melvin; brother, Chester Quinn Callaway; sister-in-law, Helen Barrett; and numerous other beloved family members and friends.

Memorial services will be held on January 24 at 11:00 AM at United Memorial Gardens.



Pallbearers

Marcus Carr Sr.

Marcus Carr Jr.

David Underwood

Sean Underwood

Christopher Underwood

Khalil Underwood

Gerald Underwood

Thank You

*Thank you for all the kind
messages and prayers.*



Betty's Favorite Joke

If my body was a car,
this is the time I would
be thinking about
trading it in for a newer
model.

I've got bumps and
dents and scratches in
my finish and my paint
job is getting a little
dull...

But that's not the worst
of it.

My headlights are out
of focus and it's especially hard to see things up
close

My traction is not as graceful as it once was.

I slip and slide and skid and bump into things
even in the best of weather.

My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins.

It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed.
My fuel rate burns inefficiently.

But here's the worst of it,

Almost every time I sneeze, cough or sputter,
either my radiator leaks or My Exhaust Back-
fires!



CHURCH HUMOR

After a long, dry sermon, the minister announced that he wished to meet with the church board following the close of the service. The first man to arrive and greet the minister was a total stranger. "You misunderstood my announcement. This is a meeting of the board members," explained the minister. "I know," said the man, "but if there is anyone here more bored than I am, then I'd like to meet him."