



Betty Jo "Joey" Nielsen

January 7, 1931 - February 19, 2019

Betty Jo (Joey) Nielsen, 88, passed away Tuesday February 19, 2019. She was born on January 7, 1931 in Wayland, Kentucky.

Joey was a member of Faith Presbyterian Church, in Valley Station, Kentucky, and served as an Elder in the congregation for several years.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Lt. Colonel (Ret. USA) Kenneth G. Nielsen. Joey was the consummate military wife and moved with her husband and family through their military career. She will join Ken in their final resting place at Arlington National Cemetery.

She is survived by her daughters Lynn Boettcher (Bill), Laura Van Meter (Eddie) and son Eric Nielsen (Erika); Grand Daughter Jennifer Van Meter and Grandson Simon Nielsen; Great Grand Children Conner, Tanner and Josephine, all of Louisville, KY; Sister, Deanna Phillips of Grayson, KY ; Great Niece Tonia Mahoney, of Louisville KY, who provided loving care and companionship.

The family would like to express our love and gratitude to Becky Poe, of Best Family Care, who cared for Mom for the last three years. She became like a daughter to Mom and a sister to us. She will always be a part of our family. Special thanks to Dr. Jane Cornett, whose care and expertise gave the family the gift of one last Christmas and one last birthday. Also, special thanks to the entire staff of the Episcopal Church home especially Christy and Elise, you brought her much love and joy.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, February 26 at 11:00am to 1:00pm, followed by a memorial service at Owen Funeral Home, 9318 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, KY 40299. Burial will follow at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family would like expressions of sympathy be made via donations to The Episcopal Church Home, 7504 Westport Road, Louisville, KY 40222.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

FEB 26. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Home-Jeffersontown
9318 Taylorsville Road
Louisville, KY 40299
(502) 266-9655

Memorial Service

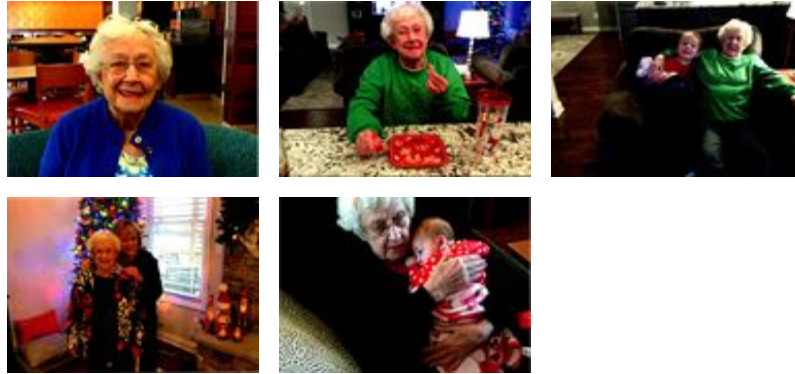
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<https://owenfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

Owen
FUNERAL HOMES

“ 110 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Owen Funeral Homes - February 25, 2019 at 03:35 PM

BP

“ Lynn, Laura and Eric,
I want to thank you so much for allowing me to care for your mom. She was the sweetest, dearest lady. I will always have her in my heart! You should be proud of the way you cared for her the last years of her life. She was a blessed mother. I love your family so much! Becky Poe

Becky Poe - February 25, 2019 at 01:29 PM

BB

“ *Joey was not only my sister-in-law, but my friend. I will always remember her as a kind and loving person. My thoughts and prayers to all the family at this sad time.*

Love,

Aunt Bernice

Bernice Berglund - February 25, 2019 at 10:03 AM

JN

“ I was privileged to be with Kenny and Joey at family gatherings back in MN in our younger years. I could always see the love Kenny had for your Mom! She was a special lady and I have good memories of her. Sympathies and love to all the family!

Jane Norman - February 24, 2019 at 07:36 PM

BB

“ Sending love to my cousins Lynn, Laura and Eric and their families. Walter and I had a wonderful visit with Aunt Joey last fall. We enjoyed sharing a few photos from years ago and listening to her many stories! It means so much to carry memories of that special afternoon. Aunt Joey, we will miss you!

Beth Berglund - February 24, 2019 at 01:01 PM

LB

“ My beautiful sweet Mom. Thank for a lifetime of your wonderful, unconditional love. I am truly blessed that you are my Mom. Our hearts are broken right now. I know your love will help us heal. We will miss you forever. I know you are having beautiful reunions in Heaven. Love you so very much. ❤️

Lynn

Lynn Boettcher - February 24, 2019 at 12:11 PM

PH

“ *Lynne, Laura and Eric, I met your Mom and the three of you in her later years. She was quick to let us know she loved her family and her church. No mother could have more loving and caring children than you Guys were to her. She was blessed by each of you. Praying for all of you as you go through these difficult days.*
Neighbor and friend, Pat Highfill

Pat Highfill - February 24, 2019 at 12:09 PM

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Becky Poe - February 25, 2019 at 01:25 PM

JB

“ *I never had the honor of meeting this wonderful lady but have had the privilege of knowing her daughter and her family for more years than either of us cares to admit. 59 years...WOW! She certainly had a full life and I'm sure will be missed by all that knew her. Take comfort in knowing that she and the Lt. Colonel are together again and I just know heaven is a much brighter place with her addition. My prayers to Laura and all who loved her for peace, strength and comfort!*
Joe Ellis Bradley

Joe E. Bradley - February 22, 2019 at 03:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Jo "Joey" Nielsen.*



February 22, 2019 at 01:42 PM