



Mary Aline "Betty" Lawrence

January 24, 2014

Mary Aline "Betty" (Thompson) Lawrence, 83, of Louisville passed away at her home Friday, January 24, 2014. Betty was born in St Joseph, KY and was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church. She had retired from the old Briarwood Nursing Home as a nursing aide. She was a loving wife & mother and devout catholic. She was one of 10 children and loved growing up in the country, and climbing the persimmon trees. Survivors include her devoted husband of 63 years, John Henry Lawrence; five children, Greg Lawrence (Linda), Eileen Brown, Mike Lawrence (Renee), Ann Ramser (George) & Cecilia Lynch (Rick); two sisters, Shirley Chrisman & Joan Thompson; a brother, Anthony Thompson; ten grandchildren & seven great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held 11:00 am Monday at St Paul Catholic Church 6901 Dixie Hwy with burial in St Andrews Cemetery. Visitation will be 1:00 – 8:00 pm Sunday & after 9:00 am Monday at the Owen Funeral Home 5317 Dixie Hwy. Memorial gifts to Alzheimer Association, 6100 Dutchmans Lane, Suite 401, Louisville, KY. 40202-3284 Online condolences to www.owenfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

GB

“ So sorry to hear about the death of Mary Lawrence. Our prayers will be with her this week.

Gary and Mary Jo Brockie - June 28, 2018 at 04:21 PM

AH

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. Eric and I will not be able to attend your mothers services. Much love and prayers to you and your family at this time of great sorrow.

April J Hawkins - June 28, 2018 at 04:21 PM

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“ I just want to take this opportunity to thank some special people. As Mom's Alzheimer's progressed, many people made invaluable contributions to her quality of life.

She did things that drove Dad, her loving husband of 63 years, plumb crazy at times, but he was always there. Together they made a good team.

In the last, year Mom would sometimes get disoriented when she would walk around the River Pointe Community. I always feared people would begin to complain that she wasn't safe. I was relieved to find out shortly after she passed, that neighbors were always on the look out for her and ready to guide her back home when she forgot which one of the look alike homes belonged to her.

For decades, Mom would get up early, attend Saturday morning mass and enjoy a cup of coffee with the group after mass. As she declined through the years and could no longer drive, she let her daughters know how important this was to her. Eileen, Ann and I took turns taking her. These people were so gracious to include her even though she could no longer contribute to the conversation and often changed the topic to something that happened long ago, which is where her mind seemed to linger. I always appreciated those people and it gave her a weekly social outlet.

As a daughter, niece, and granddaughter of women who have suffered from Alzheimer's cruel effects, I am so happy my mother did not have to endure the final, horrific stages of the disease. All of us knew very difficult decisions were on the horizon and nobody had any answers. Somehow, it seems we were lucky that Mom passed so suddenly while fixing dinner Friday night. With all that being said, and knowing this is for the best, this pain is immense and I will miss my mom forever.

Cecilia Lynch - June 28, 2018 at 04:21 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. At this difficult time please remember the Bible’s promise at Acts 24:15, “There is going to be a resurrection.” May the God of all comfort, comfort you in all your trials. -- 2 Corinthians 1:3,4

Amy Smith - June 28, 2018 at 04:21 PM