



Elizabeth "Betty" Jane Hull Roberts

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Elizabeth "Betty" Jane Hull Roberts died peacefully on January 24, 2016. She was 79. After a private graveside ceremony, a memorial service will be at 1:30pm on Wednesday, January 27, 2016, at First Baptist Church in Longview, Texas, with the Rev. David English presiding. Arrangements are under the direction of Rader Funeral Home.

Born June 17, 1936, Betty was the first child of Nola Murray and David Carlock Hull. She was preceded in death by her husband, Meredith Earl Roberts, Jr., her parents and in-laws Meredith Earl Roberts, Sr. and Myra Lynn Ray Roberts.

Betty was born in Kingsport, TN. She and her family moved to Longview in 1950. Betty graduated from Longview High School in 1954, Baylor University with a B.A. in Education 1957 and attended the University of Texas at Austin for post graduate school. She and Earl married on August 30, 1958; they moved back to Longview in 1960 and she taught briefly for Longview ISD and then for an additional 5 years at Mozelle Johnston Elementary School.

On April 4, 2002, Betty received her second chance in life by receiving a heart transplant 7 months after entering the hospital. She received this miracle at the Texas Heart Institute at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital in Houston Texas, which was documented in the Longview News-Journal's series of articles entitled "A Heart for Betty". The average life of a transplanted heart is 10 years. Betty persevered by living almost 14 years. This journey would not have been successful without the diligent care of her former husband, Earl Roberts, the loving care, support, and motivation from her many friends and family. This struggle was made easier with the navigation of Dr. Frank Jackson, Dr. Michele Satori of St. Luke's, and Mitch Kemp with Encompass Home Healthcare.

Service to her community was always of high value as she was a member of First Baptist Church, member and past president of the Junior League of Longview, Four Season's Garden Club, and the Gregg County Lawyers Wives. She was a member of the Board of Trustees for Crisman



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School. She was an active member of various clubs such as Ivy League Garden Club, Volume XV Book Club, and Junior Literary Club.

Survivors include her children, Murray Earl Roberts, David Hull Roberts and wife, Amanda Kuhlman Roberts, all of Longview, Texas; grandchildren, Laura Catherine Roberts, Murray Wythe Roberts, Cameron Elizabeth Roberts, Jonas Kuhlman Roberts, and Meredith Ann Roberts; brother, David C Hull, Jr. and wife, Stormy, of Houston; sister-in-law, Claire Roberts English and husband, Gayle, of Longview; brother-in-law, James Franklin Roberts and wife, Judy, of Dallas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Earl Roberts, Jr. Endowed Scholarship Fund at LeTourneau University or the Junior League of Longview Scholarship Fund. Betty's second chance at life was only made possible through the generous donation of an organ donor. Please consider becoming an organ donor and registering to provide someone else with a second chance in life.



Events


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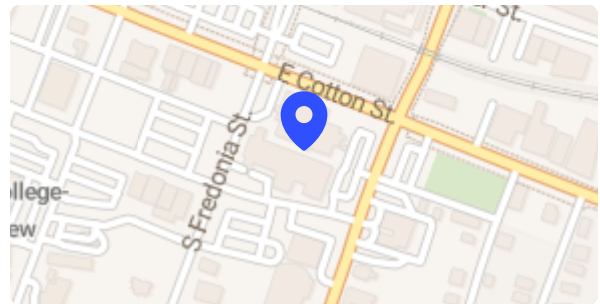
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Church Service


 **Wednesday**, January 27, 2016

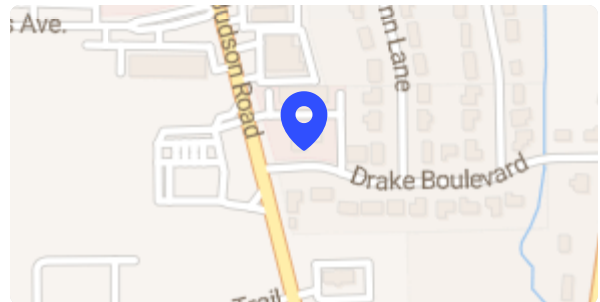
 1:30 PM CT

 **First Baptist Church - Longview**
209 East South Street, Longview TX



Cemetery Details

 **New Providence Cemetery**
2202 Judson Road, Longview TX





Tribute Wall

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Sally Barron posted:

We want to extend our love and prayers to all the Roberts family. Betty and Earl have been an important part of our live for over one-half a century. When I think of both of them, I am reminded of what an active role they played in the First Baptist Church. Some of my fondest memories of Betty are her sense of humor, playing bridge, and her involvement in the Junior League. She was a devoted mother, grandmother, and wife. May God grant her family His comfort, peace, and love. Sally "Gossett" and Archie Barron

January 27 at 6:18 PM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Roberts family.



January 27 at 4:17 AM



David And Linda Ford posted:

Loved Betty and Earl so much. Sang at their wedding in '58, then they came down to Nederland, TX, to attend our wedding (while on their honeymoon, no less). Betty always had such a quick wit and delightful sense of humor. How blessed so many of us were to know her and call her friend. What a blessing she squeezed 14 bonus years thanks to that borrowed heart. No way we could get to the service from Nashville today, but our thoughts will be with the entire family and with fellow friends and LHS Class of 1954 classmates!

January 27 at 3:06 AM



Cs Cutting posted:

Dear Amanda, We are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you and your family during this difficult time. - Your friends at CS Cutting Company

January 26 at 11:49 AM



Anonymous sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Roberts family.



January 26 at 6:55 AM



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SF

Sally Field posted:

Murray -So sorry to hear about your mother's death. Please know that you and your family have my prayers for your healing.Sally Field

January 26 at 4:24 AM

MT

Mel Thompson posted:

Bless Betty for all she shared, always with sincere humor and kindness.Warmest support to Claire tomorrow.Mel Thompson

January 26 at 12:48 AM

BL

Brenda Liverman posted:

What a dear friend! Loved her stories, her wit and her love of people.Betty always shared her proud moments of her family' and was always sharing a funny story. Loved our lunch and birthday times. She will be missed at our Kuhlman/Liverman/Clark get togethers.Brenda Liveman

January 25 at 1:47 PM

LT

Linda Ryan Thomas posted:

Charles and I send our prayers and best wishes to Betty's family.; The Hulls and the Ryans were very good friends and the Class of 54 was a special one.. I was blessed to have known Betty and Earl and spent good times in the Junior Literary Club and the Junior League.

January 25 at 10:39 AM

JM

Judy Morrison posted:

Happy memories of Betty, filled with laughter, she had the most amazing sense of humor. My prayers for her family. It is amerciful God Who allows us to step out of our earthly bodies when they no longer serve us well.RIP Betty. Judy Morrison

January 25 at 7:12 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Elizabeth by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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