



# Bettye Jean Varnado

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**B**ettye Jean Varnado passed away peacefully on November 5, 2024, in Tallahassee, Florida. She was born September 30, 1946, in Natchitoches, Louisiana, to the late Dorsey and Effie Chatman.

She traveled the world with her military husband, Roy, finally settling in Panama City, Florida in 1983. She worked for the United States Civil Service in finance and civil engineering until her retirement from Tyndall Air Force Base in 2007. After retirement, she worked at the Bay County Council on Aging providing loving assistance to disabled seniors. She also volunteered at the Accension Sacred Heart Bay Gift Shop. Bettye enjoyed bowling and was a long-time member of the Happy Rollers Ladies League in Panama City.

After Hurricane Michael, she moved to Tallahassee to be closer to her daughter. As a cancer survivor, her optimism and passion for life was an inspiration to all. Her unwavering love, encouragement, and support toward her family will be greatly missed.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by five brothers and sisters. Bettye is survived by her sisters Ivory Petrie and Gloria Fullwood, brother Walter Chatman, daughter LaQuita Varnado-Extine, son LeRone Varnado, son-in law Klaus Extine, daughter-in-law Stacey Cherry, and her partner and best friend Roy Varnado.

No services are planned at this time. However if you would like to make a memorial donation in Bettye's honor, please consider Big Bend Hospice, <https://bigbendhospice.org/foundation/donate/>



## Tribute Wall

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**Trish Paul** posted:

She was a great woman to be around and bowl with. She knew I loved Betty Boop and gave me a lot of her Betty Boop stuff.

November 13 at 5:27 AM



**Bonnie Atkinson** posted:

What a blessing to have known Betty. She was a special lady and will be missed by many. Rest in Peace.

November 13 at 5:18 AM



**Debbi Berthod** posted:

I bowled several years with Bettye and also knew her from Civil Engineering. I loved her a bunch. I wish had got to see her more since she moved to Tallahassee. She would also find a nice "nurse" gift or two for me at the gift shop where she volunteered. May she rest in peace.

November 12 at 3:29 PM



**Caroline Powell** November 13 at 12:36 PM

I worked at Bay county council on Aging with Mrs. Betty she definitely was a Gem..the sweetest spirit. Sending my heartfelt condolences and prayers to her family 🙏



# **Memories only last if you share them**

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