



Betty Jean Foust

September 15, 1926 - August 28, 2021

Betty Jean Kampbell Foust, age 94, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, August 28, 2021, surrounded by her family. Betty was born on September 15, 1926 in Little Rock, Arkansas, the youngest of eight children of Albert and Bertha Kampbell. Betty grew up in Little Rock and graduated from Little Rock High School. After graduation, she began working as a bookkeeper. She met John Foust while he was stationed in Little Rock, and they married on January 24, 1944. John had recently returned from service in World War II, and he went on to continue his career in the military. Army life meant moving every few years, and over the next 26 years of John's military service they lived in Arkansas, Tennessee, Texas, Massachusetts, and South Carolina. John also served two tours in Japan and the family lived there as well. Their three daughters were born in different states as they moved around – Kay was born in Arkansas, Gay in Texas, and April in Georgia. John retired from the service in 1963 and they settled in Ft. Worth and raised their three daughters. Once settled in Ft. Worth, Betty resumed her career as a bookkeeper.

Betty lived a full and rich life. She was an avid reader, loving all books and forms of literature. She always had a book by her side. She read the newspaper from beginning to end, starting with the crossword puzzle. Her love of books can be seen in the books in her home – representing a wide array of literature.

She loved to travel. She made it her mission to visit all 50 state capitals and could tell you about each capital building complete with a story about her visit with the people she met there. She also loved to talk about politics and visited Presidential libraries when she traveled across the country. In addition to all 50 states, she traveled internationally to England, Russia, Canada, Mexico, and the Bahamas. When she traveled, she believed that you should see all there is to see and enjoy every trip. She could recall the details of all her trips and the people she met.

Mostly, Betty was an avid storyteller. She loved to tell stories of her childhood, her travels, and everyday life. She never met a stranger and could talk to anyone, anywhere. Her stories were full of the people she met and experiences she had. Name a subject and she had a story!

Betty is survived by her three daughters, Kay Small and her husband Mike, Gay Foust, and April Hampton and her husband Doug. Betty had 4 grandchildren – Amy Wittwer, Cara Small, Josh Small and Emily Foust and 6 great grandchildren – Brooklyn Wittwer, Hailey Wittwer, Chloe Wittwer, Mason Wittwer, Colin Small and Ben Small.

Betty loved the friendships she made and remained close friends with Beth, Thelma, Alice, and Joan – her friends and neighbors. They had wonderful memories and were very dear to Betty.

Family graveside services are being held in Ft. Worth and a Celebration of Life will be held at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to SummerHouse Houston. SummerHouse provides opportunities to young adults with intellectual differences.

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