



Betty M Harwell

January 25, 1943 - October 22, 2021

Betty Maria Harwell was born on January 25, 1943, in Bogalusa, Louisiana to the late Jesse and Melodia (Melody) Brister. She was the third oldest of twelve children with two siblings preceding her in death: Charles Brister and Melvin Morgan.

She attended Corpus Christi Elementary School (Chicago) and St. Thomas Apostle High School (Chicago). Betty never ceased a moment to learn and grow spiritually, mentally, and emotionally. She was an avid champion for being the change you want to see in the world.

She leaves to cherish in the memory of her nine siblings: Joseph Brister, Johnetta Morgan, Victor Morgan, Mary Morgan, Barbara Morgan, Carl Morgan, Yolanda Morgan, Linda Morgan, and Yvette Morgan.

Betty was given in holy matrimony to U.S. Army Veteran Lawrence W. Harwell, Jr. (WWII) on November 17, 1962. He was the love of her life and preceded her in death in 2004.

Betty's children are Bryant L. Harwell (Patricia), Eric V. Harwell (Robyn), and Derrick A. Harwell (Sherizod). She also loved and respected the children that she shared with her husband Lawrence W. Harwell Jr; Beverly Ryan, LeRoy Harwell, and Marvin Nunn (Cynthia). She was a grandmother and a great-grandmother to many blessed children of God.

Betty was a devout follower of Christ. When she wasn't spending quality time with family and friends, or working at Zenith (Electronic

Company), Libby's (Foods), and later, Wrigley's Gum Company, she was praising the Lord and shining her light at St. Sabina Catholic Church. She was a dedicated member there for over two decades.

As a Sunday school teacher, Betty had a strong connection with the youth. Betty always believed that children were the future and that what they believed about themselves influenced how they would show up in the world. The message she always preached was to keep God first. (Mathew 6:33) Along with her role as a chief encourager of the youth, she was a dedicated member of the hospitality ministry, a Eucharistic minister, a member of the leadership committee of the 106-block club (Chicago), a social justice advocate, and a firm believer in cultivating healthy communities. Betty has left behind a great legacy of strength, wisdom, faith, and togetherness.

“And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.”

A Few Fun Facts: Betty was born on January 25th, she became a mother to Bryant on January 25th, she then proceeded to love and nurture a granddaughter, Blaise on January 25th. That equates to three generations of Harwell's born on the same day.

God works in mysterious ways. She would often be seen driving her white Buick Roadmaster and making recurring trips to what some would call her favorite store, Sam's Club. She was greatly loved and will be missed by many

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross

801 Michigan City Rd
Calumet City, IL 60409

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **27**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (cst)

Travis Funeral Home, LLC
14338 S Indiana Ave
Riverdale, IL 60827
(708) 849-2900
info@travisfh.com
<http://travfh.com>

Visitation

OCT **28**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

St. Sabina
1210 W 78th Place
Chicago, IL 60620

Live Stream

OCT **28**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

www.travisfh.com

Service

OCT **28**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

St. Sabina
1210 W 78th Place
Chicago, IL 60620

Tribute Wall



“ *Travis Funeral Home, LLC created a Webcast in memory of Betty M Harwell*



Travis Funeral Home, LLC - October 25, 2021 at 06:27 PM

GE

“ *My Grandma. My Angel above and around. Forever in my heart and the hearts of those she loved*💕



Genesis - November 02, 2021 at 08:35 PM

TJ

“ *Mr. Harwell, I didn't know your mom or anything about her but what i know for sure is she raised an amazing son in you and I'm forever grateful to her for sharing her son with so many people that you have blessed. You're in my prayers Mr Harwell...*🙏

Tonya Jackson - October 29, 2021 at 05:18 PM

TS

“ Although I never met Mrs. Harwell. I am certain that the Exuberant life she instilled into the lives she was given management over is certainly pouring out into this world. Thank you Mr .Harwell for sharing your mothers love with the world. May God Bless and Keep You all

Tarika Sims - October 28, 2021 at 12:59 PM

NB

“ Neil Barclay purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Betty M Harwell.



Neil Barclay - October 27, 2021 at 09:54 PM

LJ

“ She was a gem and a blessing. May she rest in the sweet forever presence of God.



Lauren Jordan - October 27, 2021 at 06:43 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.



October 27, 2021 at 04:59 PM

LC

“ *Bryant, Eric, Derrick Harwell and Family:*

Aunt Betty was always a woman who epitomized love and kindness! She always made you feel special and loved.....truly a Woman of God! I pray the Lord's peace, grace and comfort be your strength during this difficult time.



My love and prayers for the family,

*La Shawn Harwell-Cook
East Chicago, IN*

La Shawn Cook - October 27, 2021 at 12:53 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



October 27, 2021 at 11:44 AM

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“ *From the Student Services Team (PHJH) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



From the Student Services Team (PHJH) - October 27, 2021 at 11:40 AM

PW

“ Paris, Christopher, Cyrus, Will purchased the Finest Farewell Spray for the family of Betty M Harwell.



Paris, Christopher, Cyrus, Will - October 27, 2021 at 11:23 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.



October 27, 2021 at 08:15 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.



October 27, 2021 at 08:11 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.



October 26, 2021 at 02:51 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



October 26, 2021 at 02:02 PM



“ *Ms. Betty was always friendly and it was a pleasure talking to her as we both served on the hospitality ministry. I'm so happy that I was able to speak to her and to give her a big hug before she passed. God bless you and rest in heaven!!!*

Alana Elaine - October 26, 2021 at 12:23 PM



“ *She was a wonderful, sweet, and kind-hearted woman. It was a great pleasure to have known her. My most sincere condolences to her family.*

Pamela Gibson - October 26, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



October 26, 2021 at 10:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



October 26, 2021 at 10:18 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



October 26, 2021 at 09:43 AM



“ *The kindest person. She gave the best advice. She once shared how she could hear her son Eric in her womb.*

Alba Gonzalez - October 26, 2021 at 09:39 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Betty M Harwell.*



October 26, 2021 at 09:24 AM