



Betty Ann Yarnall

June 21, 1952 - August 6, 2021

Betty Ann Yarnall, 69, of Lake Villa, passed away on Aug. 6 after battling dementia and Parkinson's disease.

She was born in Libertyville on June 21, 1952, to Hugh and Jean Myers. She spent her childhood in Wildwood, and graduated from Warren Township High School. It was in Wildwood that she met the love of her life, her next door neighbor Terry Yarnall.

Betty and Terry were high school sweethearts, and married June 23, 1973. They recently marked their 48th wedding anniversary. Together they raised three children in Lake Villa, Jenni, Jamie and Joshua, who lovingly referred to their mom as "Momma Bear."

In addition to being a loving and devoted wife and mother, Betty was exceedingly intelligent, and received her bachelor's degree from Carthage College in 1975 and a masters degree from St. Xavier University in 2005, all while raising a family and working full-time. In 1991, she began working as a social studies teacher at Palombi Middle School in Lake Villa, where she remained for 24 years before retiring in 2015. The job suited her well, as Betty was a passionate history buff with an enthusiasm for General MacArthur. Always excited about education, Betty began working as a tutor at the Huntington Learning Center after retiring from teaching.

Her other great passions included watching sports, of which she was extremely knowledgeable. Betty was a lifelong fan of Chicago sports teams, including the Cubs, Blackhawks and Bears. She enjoyed watching her son,

Joshua, play hockey and her granddaughter, Paige, perform in equestrian events as well. She also liked going to the casino, even if it didn't always work out in her favor, and she loved games of Michigan Rummy.

Betty was highly creative and had a knack for sewing clothes. She made her childrens' Halloween costumes annually, and she would also sew clothes for herself. She was a huge fan of the "Pirates of the Caribbean" series, and named her pet golden retriever, Jack, after her beloved Captain Jack Sparrow. Betty was an avid reader, especially books about history. Betty and Terry were tremendous pet owners, and shared their familial love with many dogs and cats throughout their decades-long marriage.

Her greatest passion was her family, and she loved having the house full of family members, even when they would all be singing loudly and obnoxiously. She was a loving wife and cherished the moments when she would dance with her beloved husband. She was a devoted mother, and thought the world of her three children. She was the most caring grandmother, her three grandchildren were the light of her life. She was a proud and kind aunt, and her nieces and nephews will miss her greatly.

She will be missed tremendously by her husband of 48 years, Terry Yarnall, and her three children, Jenni Yarnall, Jamie (Jim) Noffsinger and Joshua (Amelia) Yarnall. She was "Grams" to her three grandchildren whom she adored, Paige Pickens, Blaine Pickens and Evelyn Yarnall, and to whom she was also known as "Little Betbet." She is also survived by her two sisters, Nancy DeVore and Paula (Jeff) Martin, along with numerous brothers and sisters-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jean and Hugh Myers and her brother-in-law, William DeVore.

There will be a memorial service celebrating her fun-filled life on Aug. 13 at Ringa Funeral Home 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. Lake Villa, from 12-3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations to be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, Ill. 60601.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 13. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
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<http://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Ann Yarnall*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Betty Ann Yarnall*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *I have great memories of family get togethers and one of the things I will remember Betty for is she was always a great cook. Her chicken Parisienne recipe is a family favorite of ours. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.*

Debbie Nadelhoffer - August 13, 2021 at 09:28 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.*



August 12, 2021 at 02:19 PM

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“ Betty & I met when our daughters became friends in grade school. We went on to become workhorses for District #41 through PTO, room moms and fundraising efforts. We accomplished so much and had a lot of fun doing it in spite of our different styles. We moved on from volunteer to "real" work and time together became scarce as our families and priorities grew and changed. Betty is a memory of a wonderful time in my life. She will be missed as a wife, mother, grandmother, friend . . . Gone too soon. God Bless you Terry, Jenni, Jamie and Josh. Lil & Paul Gofron

Lil Gofron - August 12, 2021 at 10:46 AM



“ Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.



August 11, 2021 at 10:46 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.



August 11, 2021 at 09:46 PM

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“ Betty was as kind and loving neighbor that anyone could wish for. Enjoyed the years we shared watching our families growing up. She will be missed and will always be in our hearts. Our deepest sympathy to the entire Yarnall Family in your loss of one great and special lady.

Coles Family

Rich Coles - August 11, 2021 at 04:23 PM

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“ The entire Coles Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.



The entire Coles Family - August 11, 2021 at 04:16 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.



August 11, 2021 at 12:08 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.



August 11, 2021 at 11:34 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Yarnall.*



August 10, 2021 at 09:34 PM



“ *Betty and I worked together and we always had chats together. She was always a highlight of my day. We would always bump into each other around town. I am going to miss her. Prayers to your family for comfort and peace. Gene Steinman*



Gene Steinman - August 10, 2021 at 07:49 PM