



Betty Belle Bowers Thompson

March 25, 1924 - July 21, 2016

Betty Belle Bowers Thompson, 92, of Indianapolis, formerly of Ft. Wayne, passed away July 21, 2016 after a 7 year battle with Alzheimer's. She was born March 25, 1924 in Ft. Wayne, to the late Leo A. and Bernice W.

Boland Bowers. Betty served in the U.S. Navy Waves during WWII as a Seaman First Class – June 18, 1944 to March 13, 1946. She was stationed in Norfolk, VA, working in the photo lab when her group processed the paperwork from the signing of the peace treaty with Japan on the U.S.S. Missouri. Betty married Dallas Lee Thompson June 7, 1947 and he preceded her in death in 1950.

Betty lived in Ft. Wayne, and New Haven, IN, and was employed with General Electric, retiring in 1985. She was a member of American Legion Post #82, Ft. Wayne, a volunteer at the Red Cross and as a “cuddler” for the infants at Parkview Hospital. Betty liked to work crossword puzzles, play cards and board games and play with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was also a softball pitcher, and loved bowling and golf. She walked the Indianapolis Mini Marathon at the age of 73.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 23, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. until the time of service at 3:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St. A graveside service will be held Monday, July 25, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Covington Memorial Gardens, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Betty is survived by her loving daughters, Barbara Brindle (Ted) and Cheryl

Sturges (Terry); grandchildren, Douglas Brindle, Matthew Brindle, Angie Hall, Joseph Sturges, Luke Sturges, Becky Sturges and Megan Ratell; lifelong friend, Shirley Dutkovic; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Covington Memorial Gardens

8408 Covington Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46804

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 23. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 23. 3:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
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Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Graveside Service

JUL **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Covington Memorial Gardens
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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - July 23, 2016 at 01:31 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Betty Belle Bowers Thompson*.



July 22, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of Aunt Shirley's passing. God has gained one terrific woman's! Your entire family will be in our prayers and thoughts.*

*God Bless,
Dan and Alexis Grabner
and family*

Dan Grabner - July 22, 2016 at 09:23 AM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Betty Belle Bowers Thompson.*



July 22, 2016 at 08:44 AM



“ *Scot, Mary, Ross, Connie and Bradley family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Betty Belle Bowers Thompson.*



Scot, Mary, Ross, Connie and Bradley family - July 22, 2016
at 07:35 AM