

# Celebrating the Life of Betty Jane Carbaugh

Wednesday, January 25, 2017 11:00 a.m.
Oak Bluff Memorial Park
Port Neches, Texas
Reverent Jim Johnson

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Welcome

Prayer

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Message

Reflections Dana Carbaugh Hill

Reflections Michael Carbaugh

My Mother's Prayer

"Amazing Grace"

Closing Prayer



Betty Jane Carbaugh went to be with her heavenly family on Saturday, January 21, 2017.

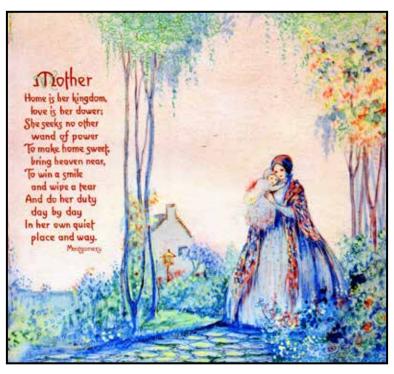
Betty was born February 8, 1920, in Franklin, Pennsylvania, to Huby Brown Graham and Arthur W. Graham.

Betty is survived by her loving family, including her two sons, Donald "Donnie" Carbaugh, Jr. and wife, Barbara and Ronald "Ron" Carbaugh and his wife, Christine; two daughters, Sandi

Carbaugh Goodwin and her husband, John and Jane Carbaugh Hargett; sister, Mary Ann Gilbert; six grandchildren, four step-grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren; and seven step-great grandchildren.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband of seventy-seven years, Donald Carbaugh, Sr.; her parents, Huby and Arthur Graham; brother, Robert Graham; and grandson, Mitchell McFarland.

The family would like to thank Betty's care givers at Lake Arthur Place in Port Arthur and Harbor Hospice in Beaumont.



















"If Tears Could Build A Stairway, And Memories A Lane, I'd Walk Right Up To Heaven, And Bring You Home Again."











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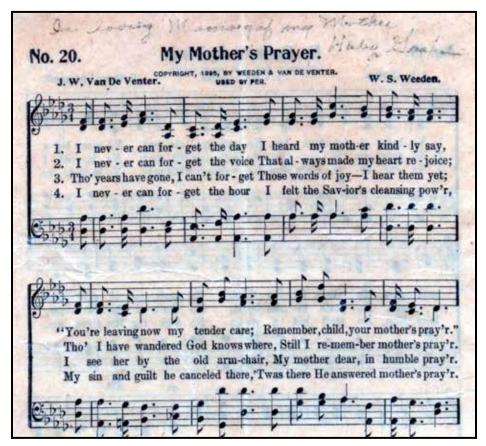
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# **Enduring love**





## Nederland couple all smiles as they recollect on 76 years of marriage

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By Manuella Libardi

Lying open in the bedroom he shares with his wife is Donald Carbaugh's secret to the Nederland couple's nearly eight decades of marriage his Bible.

"Jesus Christ, salvation

and believing in Him," is the 96-year-old's recipe for a successful marriage and fulfilled life.

Betry, 94, and Donald live at Summer Place Nursing and Rehabilitation in Beaumont. The Carbaughs celebrated their 76th wedding anniversary there on Tuesday with their

children, furthy and blands

The couple sat among the dates or so passes, gathling and sharing imple. Berry often leaned into her husband, who is hard of hearing, to whisper in his ear what the others were saving.

Betty said the couple has never had an argument. the abuse takes trong tree, she said.

The two men or Chapters With Colonal in General Pers

Four years later, in 1908, the high school sweethearts married.

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## 76: Nederland became home to couple

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"He was kind, loving and my family was very fond of him." Betty said on Mon-

Betty's parents moved to Nederland in the late 1930s when her father was transferred to Southeast Texas with a predecessor of what is now Total Port Arthur Refinery.

Jobs were scarce in Pennsylvania at the time. Betty said. When her father called Donald a few years later and told him a position had opened up at the refinery, the Carbaughs packed their belongings and headed to the Lone Star State.

Betty didn't like Nederland's flat landscape at first and didn't understand Southeast Texans' love of rice.

"I can't stand rice," she said laughing. "In Pennsylvania we just eat rice pudding."

Eventually, Nederland became home. The couple brought a son, Donnie, now 75, and a daughter, Sandi, now 71, from Pennsvivania and had two Texans of their own. Ron, 66, and Jane, 55.

About three years ago, lane moved back to Nederland from South Carolina to take care of her parents. But 10 weeks ago, the sib-

needed night-and-day care in case of an emergency. So they moved them to a nursing facility.

Betty keeps her children's baby pictures, all framed together, on the wall next to her bed.

Jane said her mother dedicated her life to her family and passed on job opportunities as a seamstress to take care of them.

"We've had a wonderful life together," Betty said. "We were very blessed."

When the Carbaughs moved into their Nederiand · home, Donald brought the pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church over to bless their new abode.

Visitors always commented on the peace and warmth of their home, which Donald attributed to the pastor's blessings, Ron

"But it was actually (his parents)," according to Ron.

Donald is a Navy veteran of World War II who served in the Philippines.

Jane said her parents still keep the letters they wrote to each other while Donald was deployed.

But Donald avoids conversations about the war.

"I did whatever it takes to get the job done," he said and left it at that.

At the end of the war,

lings decided their parents Donald attended machinist school in Ohio and on April 16, 1947, he worked his first shift at the Port Arthur refinery. His career continued there for the next 37 years.

> lane said her father has never forgotten his first day of work because it was the day of the 1947 Texas City explosion that killed 581

> The couple's youngest son, Ron, said his father's work ethic inspired him.

"He's the hardest working person I've ever known," Ron said. "And he raised us to work."

When he retired in the 1980s, Donald's supervisors asked him to stay on as a consultant, but Betty opposed.

I said, 'No, we're going to travel," Betty said as Donald laughed.

They upgraded their motor home and headed north to visit old friends while making stops and taking detours for as long as their health allowed.

Ron said his parent's affection for one another is both obvious and inspiring.

You look at them," he said. "They've been best friends since school."

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### In Loving Memory of Betty Jane Carbaugh

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#### Pallbearers

Michael Carbaugh Remington Carbaugh Blake Carbaugh Robert Rush Jay Goodwin Greg Sattler Thad Hill Mike Johnson

#### **Honorary Pallbearers**

Devin Carbaugh David Trahan Justin Trahan Don Chapman

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