



## Betty Gene Blackwood

January 11, 1939 - March 11, 2021

Betty Gene (MacKillop) Blackwood was 82 when her body died peacefully on March 11, 2021, while in the care of the angels at Alive Hospice on Patterson St. in Nashville, TN. Her soul still lives on and is now in the care of God whom she prayed to, believed in, and had worked for tirelessly all her adult life. No matter the responsibility or role God placed on her shoulders she was devoted to it, be it a Christian, a daughter, wife, mother, foster parent, neighbor, School Crossing Guard for Children, or a friend, she was always faithful.

She endured long suffering through out her entire life, yet never complaining. When death came knocking at her body's door bearing cancer as a companion two years ago, she accepted it with grace and long suffering, not wanting others to know, telling no one of the burden she now bore. She dealt with the challenges alone, refusing all attempts by her family that knew something was wrong in the last few months to get her medical care, refusing to expose the pain and suffering she was enduring. Not until her body finally collapsed and could no longer shoulder the weight of it did anyone know. She never wanted anyone to feel sorry for her, rather she encouraged others through selfless acts of caring, kindness and long suffering.

She did everything in life her way never backing down from attempts to change the way she lived. Most of all she lived a Godly life that positively affected all that came within her reach. For some the gift that she wanted to

give, would remain hidden from the recipients like a wrapped present that could only be opened out of her view, when she was gone, which was the legacy of her Godly life.

But for all that were affected by her wonderful life, please rejoice in the peace she is now in with God our creator in heaven. She constantly prayed to God and she was a true believer, she walked the walk, and did it her way!!

She is preceded in death by her daughter, Janice Eloise Nolen. She is survived by her sons, Charles "Friday" (Ruth Ann) Blackwood, Jr & Vic (Sandra) Blackwood; grandchildren, Charlie Blackwood, III, Christy Blackwood, Andrea Blackwood & Derek Blackwood; great-grandchildren, Harper, Jackson, Knox Henry, Levi & Logan; Ex-husband Charles "Friday" Blackwood Sr., even though divorced he remained very influential in the support and care of her, their children and their families.

Services will be 1:00 pm Tuesday, March 16, at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 12:00pm. Interment to follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, masks must be worn, social distancing is encouraged and no food or drink will be allowed in.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

1101 Lebanon Pike  
Nashville, TN 37210

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 16. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home  
2707 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN US 37216  
Nashville, TN 37216

## Service

MAR 16. 1:00 PM (CT)

Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home - Nashville Chapel  
2707 Gallatin Pike  
Nashville, TN 37216  
(615) 262-3312  
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<https://www.phillipsrobinson.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Gene Blackwood*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *I had the privilege to work with Betty as a social worker with Residential Services, Inc. She was a tireless advocate for the children in her care. Her courage and determination was seen in a loving and caring life of service. Thank you Betty for your example of living life and for making the world a better place. Friday and Ruth Ann, who knew when we met over 40 years ago that our paths would cross again through your mom. She was a blessing. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Take good care. Love you, Lyn Dorris.*

**Lyn Dorris** - March 16, 2021 at 11:13 PM



“ *Barry and Kim Queen purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Betty Gene Blackwood.*



**Barry and Kim Queen** - March 15, 2021 at 10:23 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betty Gene Blackwood.*



March 14, 2021 at 12:02 PM