



# Betty Zeaman

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**B**etty E. Zeaman, 93, passed away on Sunday, May 21, 2023, at Sarah Bush Lincoln Hospital in Mattoon, IL.

Betty was born on November 4, 1929, the daughter of William G. and Frances B. Traver in Decatur, IL.

She graduated from Decatur High School in 1947. She attended Bradley University where she was a member of PHI BETA PHI sorority.

She married William Zeaman on October 13, 1951, until his passing in 1984. Betty was one of the last 50s and 60s moms of eighth drive.

Affectionally known as grammie, Betty loved to travel, and her family will truly miss her adventurous spirit. She enjoyed St. Louis for its dining, the zoo, art museums and the botanical gardens.

Betty is survived by her children, Andrew T (Abby) Zeaman of Cowden, IL, and Frances P (Sander) Eth of Asheville, NC, William S. Zeaman of Holts Summit, MO; grandchildren, David (Cindy) Shonts, Will (Betty) Shonts, Andrew W. (Leslie) Zeaman and Zoe Eth; great-grandchildren Jack Shonts, Lily Shonts, Gaven Shonts, Evie Shonts, Ryanne Vangeison and Brandon Vangeison.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Bill; Daughter, Cindy and sister, Ann.

A memorial service will be held on June 1, 2023, at 11am at the First Presbyterian Church of Decatur, IL.

In Lieu of flower the family would like donation to be made to the charity of the donor in Betty's honor.



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Condolence for Betty can be left at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com)




# Events


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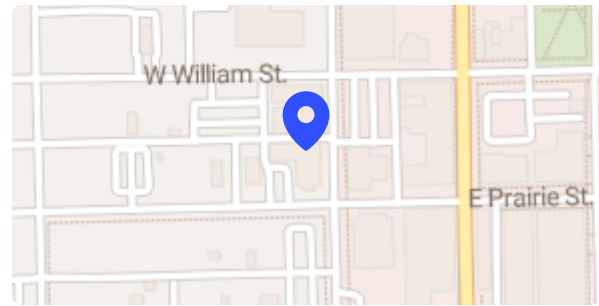
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## Memorial Service

 **Thursday**, June 1, 2023

 11:00 AM CT

 **First Presbyterian Church**  
204 W Prarie, Decatur IL 62523





## Tribute Wall

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TW

**Todd Wright** posted:

Andy, Fran and Billl will be thinking of you on June 1st. When I heard of your mom's passing, so many wonderful memories of Betty and the Zeaman family came flooding back. So grateful for the memories. So grateful to grow up next door to Betty and the Zeaman clan. Best wishes to all.Todd Wright

May 31 at 3:03 AM

MF

**Mary Lou Ferguson** posted:

I met Betty years ago in a park district tap dancing class. She was always upbeat and kind, always had a smile, and was ever ready to see the good in all things. I am certain her family will miss her sweet disposition. The world would be a better place with more people like her.

May 27 at 4:49 AM

KS

**Kim Christiansen Sigle** posted:

Dear Billy and family-I was so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. I've loved keeping up our 8th Drive connection via Facebook through the years. Please know I'm sending warm thoughts and happy memories your way. Kim (Christiansen)

May 26 at 10:28 AM

CW

**Cinda K Armstrong-Williams** posted:

I wish I had the words to ease your pain during this difficult time. Sending my sincere condolences on the loss of your mother. May you always feel her presence in your heart and soul.Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

May 25 at 4:02 AM



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**Marilyn Mertz** posted:

Betty Traver Zeaman was one of my very close friends for over 45 years. We enjoyed each others company and sharing the events of our lives. After Betty moved to Shelbyville assisted living to be near her son Andy, I would make trips to visit with her there every 3 or 4 weeks as I was determined not to lose contact with this special person. She was a true friend—caring, witty, positive, classy, intelligent to the end! She loved her family and enjoyed telling me about them and all the family reunions. Betty was also a great contributor to her Decatur community and supporter of the arts. She loved music and we attended many concerts together, especially Juvae Jazz jazz concerts. The Decatur community has lost a beautiful soul, but heaven has gained another angel!

May 24 at 3:29 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Betty by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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