



Betty Jo Van Atta

August 7, 1947 - November 2, 2016

Betty Jo Van Atta, 69, died suddenly on November 2, 2016 in her home. She was born in Matewan, West Virginia to Ira and Irma Maynard. She was extremely smart and graduated Valedictorian from high school at age 16.

Betty moved to Washington, DC to begin employment with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. That is where she met the love of her life and husband of 49 years, William J. Van Atta (Bill). They spent 49 years as partners in everything they did. While working at the FBI, Betty met many friends that became extended family. She left the FBI to be a stay-at-home wife and mother. Betty was later employed at Montgomery Wards and met many friends that she considered family. She loved the beach and the lake and looked forward to spending time with family on the boat.

She is survived by her husband, Bill and daughter and son-in-law Jill and Marty Rison. Betty cherished her daughter and son-in-law more than anything and took every opportunity to spend with them. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Hannah and Brody that were a complete source of joy to her. In addition to her immediate family, Betty is survived by her sister Alice (Junior) Hester, brothers, Jerry (Phyllis) Maynard and David (Teresa) Maynard; her brothers-in-law, Paul (Judy) Van Atta, Bob (Barb) Van Atta; and sisters-in-law, Ella Van Atta, Kitty Van Atta, Karen Anne (Grant) Carpenter, Mary Lou (Doug) McConnell, and Barb (Rick) Thomas. She had many nieces, nephews, and

extended family that she loved as well.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents as well as brothers-in-law, Richard (Mary) Van Atta, James Van Atta and Mike Van Atta.

It was her wish not to have formal services.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to St. Mary's Bryantown School (13735 Notre Dame Place, Bryantown, Maryland 20617) in her honor. Arrangements by Raymond Funeral Service (La Plata, Maryland).

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Jo Van Atta* ”

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Betty Jo Van Atta* ”

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *We will miss her so much and praying for God's peace to you and yours!* ”



Don & Janice Martin - November 04, 2016 at 08:34 AM



“ *Kathy Stevens lit a candle in memory of Betty Jo Van Atta* ”



Kathy Stevens - November 03, 2016 at 08:54 PM