



Betty Jo Haley

June 13, 1928 - October 31, 2024

Betty Jo Haley (1928-2024) died on October 31, 2024, in Topeka, Kansas at the Gardens of Aldersgate Village. Although a resident of Topeka for the last several years of her life, Betty Jo called Lawrence, Kansas and the entire Kaw Valley her true home. It was in Lawrence where she raised her two children Jo Lynn and Michael, along with her beloved husband, Gene, who predeceased her by two decades.

Betty Jo Hunter met Gene in Callao, Missouri (current population approximately 250) when she was in the first grade and he was in kindergarten. It was not love at first sight, but it grew into a life-long love. Her memories and stories of growing up in a small, rural Missouri town during the 1930's and 40's brought joy to her throughout her life and true entertainment to her family and friends.

Betty Jo cherished holidays with her children and her niece, Jan; and nephews, Shawn, Peter, Chris, and all their spouses. She loved her children and extended family almost as much as she loved Kansas Jayhawk basketball.

Along with Jayhawk basketball, Betty Jo loved the many life-long friends she had in Lawrence. Much to her consternation, she survived them all. She particularly enjoyed the many women of Ventura Club and the pals of her Taco

Tuesday group. Beside her children and niece and nephews, Betty Jo is survived by Michael's daughter, Laurel Haley of Great Bend KS, Jo Lynn and Timothy French's two sons, George (Adela Mrazkova) of Prague, Czech Republic, Charlie (Daniel Ramirez Rojas) of Chicago IL; and daughter, Lindley, also of Chicago IL. Betty Jo is also survived by two great-grandsons, Timothy and Henry French, also of Prague.

The family will greet friends from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, November 8, 2024, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka, Kansas, 66614. Graveside service will be Saturday, November 9, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Underwood Cemetery, 14828 U.S. Highway 24 Perry, Kansas 66073. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to National Multiple Sclerosis Society, in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online at www.kevinbrennanfamily.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Graveside Service

NOV 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Underwood Cemetery
14828 U.S. Highway 24
Perry, KS 66073

Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty Jo Haley



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - November 05, 2024 at 05:29 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty Jo Haley.



November 07, 2024 at 10:44 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betty Jo Haley.

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“ I am very sorry to hear of Mrs. Haley's death. I offer my condolences to Jo Lynn Haley French and Michael and your families. Our family has many fond memories of Mrs. Haley. Love, Jerry Riling

Jerry Riling - November 06, 2024 at 02:44 PM

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“ Armando and Omi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Jo Haley.

Armando and Omi - November 04, 2024 at 12:40 PM

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“ Armando and Omi purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Betty Jo Haley.



Armando and Omi - November 04, 2024 at 12:40 PM