



Elizabeth (Betty) Parker

October 28, 1933 - September 17, 2025

Elizabeth D. Parker, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at the age of 91. She is survived by her step-son Billy Parker and daughter-in-law Donda Parker of whom she referred to as her own children.

Betty (the name she selected for family and friends to use) was the daughter of the late Ernest and Dorothy Dunton of Maine. Betty always spoke fondly of her parents who were her inspiration for achieving higher education in a difficult era for women to achieve. Betty earned her Bachelor Degree from Husson University in Maine, and her Master of Education Degrees from Florida Atlantic University in Administration and Supervision along with Business Education.

Betty was married to Dr. Albert Phillips for 35 years and was the caregiver to him before his passing. Early in their marriage, they were instrumental in the founding of Palm Beach Atlantic College. During the college's inception, Betty was the Assistant Business Administrator for a year and a half, until she started the college's School of Business for which she served as Chairman of the Business Education Department for its first several years. In addition, Betty was a professor of various business, accounting, economics, management, and secondary education courses.

Later Betty continued to serve the Palm Beach Florida area as a high school principal, teacher, trade school instructor, junior college professor, and as Head of the Business Dept at a technology college.

As a widow, Betty fell in love and married Lamar Parker. They shared similar backgrounds and interests. Lamar's family became Betty's family. Their love for each other was inspirational and they thoroughly enjoyed traveling together for many years until his passing.

Betty was a member of the Royal Poinciana Chapel in Palm Beach, Florida; Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Seminole Chapter; and Daughters of the American Colonist (DAC).

Betty Parker will be laid to rest in the Jamestown Cemetery in Kentucky. Graveside service will be held on Thursday, October 2, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. David Phillips officiating.

Cemetery Details

Jamestown Cemetery

201 North Main St.
Jamestown, KY 42629
hhhamm@duo-county.com

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Betty was the wife of the pastor who married us in 1987, Dr. Albert Phillips. Both of them were very loving friends to us, and we shared many days whenever Betty and "Doc" summered at their Kentucky lake cottage. We also shared many Florida visits during holidays and school breaks. We will always have positive, wonderful memories of Betty and her love for us.

We have a previous appointment scheduled on her burial day and are sorry to miss her graveside service. However, we do remember that on the tombstone for Dr. Albert Phillips that Betty had designated being next to him at her burial.

Betty was a strong Christian and we know she is glad to go on to her heavenly Father.

Condolences to the family, some of whom we probably met in the 90s and 2000s.

Dr. John Mark and Cindy Carter

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