



## Betty Ann Wilkins

October 24, 1936 - February 6, 2022

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Apartheid in South Africa. Along with all her service, John and Betty also fostered 17 children and sowed into the lives of many. Betty Wilkins passed away on February 6th, 2022, at University Hospital. She leaves to cherish her memory, Monica Wilkins; Keita and Sheliah Andrews; Marpessa Allen, Bethany Andrews and Adam Witherspoon. Her great-grandchildren: Maasai, Gianna, Maayan Allen and Peace Nelson; Andy Sebyggala and Desiree Etheridge. Her siblings Ralph and Artis Means; Fred and Alice Littlejohn, a host of nieces and nephews; in addition to her church families Berean Bible Church, Colorado Community Church, and Neighborhood Bible Church will also cherish her memory. An extensive memory book will be released this summer composed by Lady Bethany.

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# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 5. 12:00 PM (MT)

Ballard Family Mortuary, LLC  
6700 Smith Rd  
Denver, CO 80207  
(303) 963-5779

# Tribute Wall

MJ

“ *Marie Jones lit a candle in memory of Betty Ann Wilkins*



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**Marie Jones** - March 21, 2022 at 10:27 PM

PW

“ *Patty Wilkins lit a candle in memory of Betty Ann Wilkins*



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**Patty Wilkins** - March 05, 2022 at 08:03 PM

PW

“ *Patty Wilkins lit a candle in memory of Betty Ann Wilkins*



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**Patty Wilkins** - March 05, 2022 at 08:01 PM

PW

*Dear Family, Keeping all of you lifted up in our thoughts and in our prayers. We love you all. Patty Wilkins and Family*

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**Patty Wilkins** - March 05, 2022 at 08:06 PM

PW

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Patty Wilkins - March 05, 2022 at 08:00 PM

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“ *Patty Wilkins lit a candle in memory of Betty Ann Wilkins*



Patty Wilkins - March 05, 2022 at 07:58 PM

LW

“ *Leigh Wilkins lit a candle in memory of Betty Ann Wilkins*



Leigh Wilkins - March 03, 2022 at 09:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty Ann Wilkins.*



March 03, 2022 at 08:59 PM

TC

“ *The Wilkins Family in California purchased the Sereene Retreat for the family of Betty Ann Wilkins.*



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**The Wilkins Family in California** - March 03, 2022 at 08:50 PM

RF

“ *To the Andrews and Wilkins Families: May the great I AM be everything that you all need and want Him to be to you at this time. Our prayers, sympathies and condolences are with you as you journey through this time of grief...Ron & Carolyn Fox*

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**Ron & Carolyn Fox** - March 03, 2022 at 06:49 PM

FE

“ *You will and are truly missed so much already and what I will always remember about her is her smile, friendliness, and always lending a helping hand to any and everyone she came in contact with. To know Ms. Betty was to truly love her. My deepest condolences from the Faye Edwards Family.*

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**Faye Belle Edwards** - March 02, 2022 at 11:54 AM