



Betty Chalker

August 23, 1928 - January 1, 2025

"She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands...She makes linen garments and sells them...She is clothed with strength and dignity...She speaks with wisdom and faithful instruction...(Proverbs 31)

Betty Broach Chalker was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She went to be with her Lord on January 1, 2025 at the age of 96. She is survived by her daughter Pamela Harmon, and granddaughter, Becky Labat. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marion L (ML) Chalker, Jr.

She was born on August 23, 1928, in Campton, Georgia, to Allan and Zelma Broach. She graduated from Georgia State College for Women (now Georgia College), in 1949, with a degree in Home Economics. Immediately after graduation, she began her career as the home demonstration agent for Glascock County, GA, where she met her husband, ML Chalker. Very soon after their wedding, ML rejoined the military as an Army officer and Betty was then officially an "Army Wife" for 20 years.

Betty had a love for sewing and was a born teacher. During her long career, she travelled frequently to sewing centers throughout the southeast teaching students how to sew and perfect their skills, but more importantly, how to have fun sewing. She had numerous articles published in women's magazines and had a loyal following from her weekly column in the Atlanta Journal. Her talent

was well known in the sewing community, and she eventually opened a sewing center in Marietta, Ga where she taught sewing and sold fabric and sewing machines for many years. In her later years, she began making quilts. In 2011, she designed and made a quilt that was presented to the City of Tuscaloosa, AL, where she was living at the time, to memorialize the devastating tornado that had hit the city. She recently made 17 baby quilts which were sent to Samaritan's Purse for the victims of Hurricane Helene.

Funeral services to celebrate Betty's life is scheduled for Saturday, January 4, 2025 at 2pm in the chapel of Williams Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Victory Baptist Church in Milledgeville, Georgia.

Previous Events

Funeral Services

JAN 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville

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“ Sending love to her family. I met Betty shortly after she moved to Milledgeville when she visited Hopewell Church. I continued to chat with her occasionally and hold fond memories of her telling me about jackets she sewed. God bless you all.

Carol Brock - January 12, 2025 at 04:36 PM

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“ Although I never met Betty, I came to know her through phone text exchanges. She was a smart lady and she ministered to others almost until the very end by sewing quilts, rugs, throws and more. I am the proud owner of two beautifully embroidered pot holders she sent as recently as 3 or 4 months ago. Her best project was her daughter Pam, who she loved so very dearly and mothered any way possible every day of her life.

Hazel Dennis - January 01, 2025 at 02:14 PM

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I had the privilege of knowing Betty when she had her sewing shop in Marietta. Her daughter Pam certainly got her entrepreneurial gene from her mother. She was always so kind and talented. I am honored to have 3 of Betty's beautiful quilts! One hanging at our lake with a sailors theme and she recently made 2 quilts for my grandsons that hang in their rooms. What a wonderful memory I have of her. She was blessed to have such a long productive life.

Donna Garcia

Donna Garcia - January 04, 2025 at 11:34 AM