



## Betty Jean Sanders

July 11, 1940 - August 27, 2021

Betty Jean Collins Sanders, age 81, of Milledgeville, passed away Friday, August 27, 2021. Funeral services for Betty Jean Sanders will be conducted Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 2:00 pm in the Chapel of Williams Funeral Home of Milledgeville. Interment will be privately held in the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Williams Funeral Home on Tuesday (8-31-21) from 1:00 pm until the service hour.

Betty Jean was born in Milledgeville on July 11, 1940 to the late Heyward C. Collins and the late Beulah Louise Cash Collins. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her brother, Tim Collins. Betty Jean Retired as an Administrative Assistant from the Georgia Department of Corrections, and also worked with Central State Hospital. She was a devoted grandmother.

Betty Jean is survived by her husband, Willie Lee Sanders of Milledgeville ; her daughter, Darena (& John) Veal ; her son, Darrell Leon Sanders, Sr. ; her grandchildren, Darrell Leon Sanders, Jr. and John Heyward Sanders ; and her great grandchildren, Damien, Lillith, and Oliver.

Condolences may be expressed online at: [www.williamsfuneral.net](http://www.williamsfuneral.net)

Williams Funeral Home and Crematory of Milledgeville is in charge of

arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery

2617 Vinson Hwy.  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 31.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville  
1670 N. Jefferson St.  
Milledgeville, GA 31061  
(478) 452-2148  
[staff@williamsfuneralhome.net](mailto:staff@williamsfuneralhome.net)  
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## Funeral Services

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# Tribute Wall



“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Webcast will start approximately 10 minutes before the service in memory of Betty Jean Sanders



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - August 31, 2021 at 01:14 PM

DS

Miss you mom

darenda sandrs - July 19, 2024 at 03:24 AM

JB

“ We are so sorry to hear about Betty Jean. We are thinking of all of you at this time.  
Love Johnny and Phillis

Johnny and Phillis Brown - September 04, 2021 at 09:21 AM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



LUTHER G MINOR - September 01, 2021 at 07:45 AM

CC

“ *Willie, Darena, and family, I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Betty Jean. You have my deepest condolences for your loss. -Cory Cain*

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**Cory Cain** - August 31, 2021 at 10:04 AM

CH

“ *Cindy Humphrey lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sanders*



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**Cindy Humphrey** - August 31, 2021 at 09:34 AM

SR

“ *Wow, so sorry to hear this. My heart goes out the the family. May knowing she is in the hands Of God the Father Almighty give you peace.*  
*Betty Jean always had a smile anytime you saw her.*

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**Sonny Renegar** - August 30, 2021 at 03:48 PM

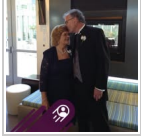


“ *Carol McDuffee lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sanders*



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**Carol McDuffee** - August 30, 2021 at 02:32 PM



“ To Bill, Darrell, Darinda and family,

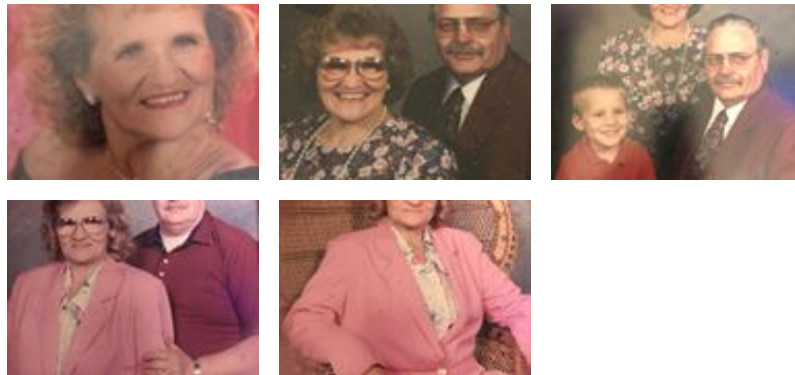
*There aren't enough words to express what a great person and cousin Betty Jean was. My mom (Gladys Cash Carr) was BJ's aunt but they were close in years and felt more like sisters. Betty Jean always made us feel welcome, and always had lots of food. I always felt like she worried that everyone wouldn't have enough to eat. She was always considerate and gracious. We were thankful for her offers to stay at her house during a few of our escapes from Florida hurricanes. I will continue to keep Betty Jean in my thoughts and prayers. Bill, let me know if there is anything I can do. Call if you want to talk.*

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**Carol McDuffee** - August 30, 2021 at 02:31 PM



“ 84 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory** - August 30, 2021 at 01:35 PM

PK

“ *To the Sanders Family,*

*I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Betty Jean. My Mom (Dot Bevins) worked with Betty Jean for yrs. at CSH and thought alot of her. Please know that all of you will be in my thoughts and prayers during this time.*

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**Paula Bevins King** - August 30, 2021 at 08:22 AM

PK

“ *Paula Bevins King lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sanders*



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**Paula Bevins King** - August 30, 2021 at 08:19 AM

EW

“ *Willie and families, Judy and I are sorrowed hearing of the passing of Betty. Having known Betty and her family over the years and the memories of her life, will make her passing that much harder to take. We will remember all of the family during this time of grief, and carry on the memories of Betty forever. God's Grace and Love will carry you through.*

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**Eddie and Judy Williams** - August 29, 2021 at 10:36 PM

SP

“ *willie we are so sorry for your loss of your love one you and the family are in our prayers johnny and sarah*

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**sarah parker** - August 29, 2021 at 06:49 PM

BA

“ Willie I am so sorry to learn of Betty Jean’s passing. We had some good times working together at Central State Hospital and she was a good friend. I pray God will give you and your family comfort and strength in the days to come.



**Bobbie Adams** - August 29, 2021 at 06:18 PM

KN

“ Willie and Family  
So sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our prayers



*Carolyn, Kathy, Karen Nolan*

**Kathy Nolan** - August 29, 2021 at 06:10 PM

EG

“ Eloise Griffin lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sanders



**Eloise Griffin** - August 29, 2021 at 02:59 AM



“ Prayers for you Willie and all the family, sorry for your loss. 🙏🙏🙏

**Scott Woodall** - August 29, 2021 at 01:48 AM

SS

“ Mr. Willie, So sorry to hear of the passing of Ms. Betty. Prayers for you and your family for peace and comfort during this time. If there is anything I can do for ya'll ..please let me know. God Bless ...



Shirley Sanders - August 28, 2021 at 09:11 PM

LC

“ Mr. Willie and Darrell I am so sorry for your loss you all are in my Prayers , I never knew Ms Betty but I went to school with Darrell and my daddy {Grady Parker} was good friends with Mr. Willie. May GOD comfort you all.

linda parker cheeves - August 28, 2021 at 08:53 PM

DD

“ Uncle Willie Daddy John Evans Durden are so sorry to hear about the passing of your wife. You have my sincere heartfelt condolences I'm so sorry for your loss prayers 🙏 sent

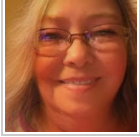


Deborah Sue Durden - August 28, 2021 at 12:11 PM

SC

“ From the family of Roy and Runette Pounds, our thoughts and prayers are with you all! Randall Clark and Otis Clark send their condolences! Lots of love! ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Sunda Pounds Coleman - August 28, 2021 at 11:57 AM



“ *Willie ,Darenda and family so sorry to see the passing of Betty Jean. You are in our prayers and thoughts. We love you all. Sorry we want be able to come because Mom isn't able to walk very well.*



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**Janice Clark** - August 28, 2021 at 11:46 AM

RP

“ *Willie and family, Rita and I send our condolences and love to you. We have such fond memories of our time together when we lived in Milledgeville. You and Betty Jean were our neighbors and friends and we cherish those times and memories. It is with sadness that we learned our friend Betty Jean has passed away. As I said to you in our phone conversation, you and your family will be uplifted in prayer from our congregation as you navigate the days ahead. May you find peace as it can be found as you go forward.*



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**Rev. Dr. Thomas Peavy** - August 28, 2021 at 10:47 AM

KB

“ *Cuz Willie and family sorry for your loss. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. May GOD be with you during this time. Love y'all!*



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**Karen & Kenny Babb** - August 28, 2021 at 10:32 AM

JC

“ *Jasper Crooms lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sanders*



Jasper Crooms - August 28, 2021 at 09:46 AM

CB

“ *Am so very sorry to learn of Mrs. Betty's passing. She was one of the sweetest people I have known and her talent for crocheting was amazing. Thoughts and prayers are with all*



Carolyn Balkcom - August 28, 2021 at 08:50 AM

CL

“ *Carolyn Leverette-Searcy lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Sanders*



Carolyn Leverette-Searcy - August 28, 2021 at 05:19 AM

MS

“ *I am so sorry Willie, this is heart breaking, James and I have known your family for a long time. I cannot put into words the sorrow I feel. Please take comfort in knowing that she is with Jesus, he has taken her sickness and sorrow away, he has given her peace and rest. If there is anything I can do for you please let me know. Sending love and prayers.*



Mary Esther & James Smith - August 27, 2021 at 06:22 PM

DB

“ Darendia , So sorry for the loss of your Mom... Prayers for you and your Family.. May God wrap his loving arms around all of you...

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**Darlene Brantley** - August 27, 2021 at 05:26 PM

GL

“ Willie LEE. I AM SO SORRY TO READ OF THE PASSING OF YOUR BELOVED WIFE MAY God wrap his arms around each of you and comfort you my condolences to all Gertrude Brooks Lewis

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**Gertrude Brooks Lewis** - August 27, 2021 at 05:01 PM