



Betty Sue Mangum Whitman

October 13, 2024

In loving memory of Betty Sue Mangum Whitman

Betty Sue, “Grammy”, a devoted mother, grandmother and friend passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 13, 2024 at the age of 87.

Sue was born in Salisbury, North Carolina to the late Henry Logan Mangum Jr and Susan Branch Mangum. She had 5 brothers, Henry (Hank), Jim, Bob, Bill, and Steve, and 2 sisters, Ann and Cathy. Sue grew up in Salisbury where she met the love of her life, Ray Gene “Whit” Whitman. They had two children, Kellie and Greg. She worked in the Charlotte Mecklenburg School System for many years, retiring to Huntersville, North Carolina to live next door to her son.

Sue was the heart of her family. She was a spirited and extraordinary woman who was an amazing mother and Grammy. Her love for life, friends, family, children, grandchildren and all their dogs defined her. You could often find her at Showmars eating with her brother Bob and friends Carol and Henry Puckett. She loved the beach and enjoyed family trips with her sisters Ann and Cathy, and surprise visits by her brother Bill.

The highlight of Sue’s life was the birth of her three grandchildren, Megan, Ethan and Jake. Her wisdom and advice over the years will always be remembered. She brought an infinite amount of love, happiness and comfort to her family and friends. She made the world a better place and we hope to do the same.

Her legacy of love and kindness will live on in her children: daughter and son-

in-law Kellie and Jeff Soots and son and daughter-in-law Greg and Danna Whitman and her grandchildren: Megan Soots, Ethan Whitman and Jake Whitman.

We will hold a Celebration of Life at Showmars in Huntersville (9605 Sherill Estates Road) on Thursday, October 17 from 7:00-9:00 pm - Grammy's favorites will be served. An intimate graveside service will be held at Chestnut Hill Cemetery on Friday, October 18 at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Western North Carolina hurricane relief efforts or a charity of your choice.

To Grammy "Goodnight, God bless you, We love you".

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Whitman family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 17. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Showmars
9605 Sherrill Estates Road
Huntersville, NC

Graveside Service

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chestnut Hill Cemetery
Salisbury, NC

Tribute Wall

BS

“ *Barry and Esther Soots planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Sue Mangum Whitman.*

Barry and Esther Soots - October 17, 2024 at 07:10 AM

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“ *Barry and Esther Soots purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Betty Sue Mangum Whitman.*



Barry and Esther Soots - October 17, 2024 at 07:10 AM

AS

“ *Cathy and family,
I am so very sorry to hear that Betty Sue has passed away. I know your family will miss her dearly.
I have so many fond memories of your family and many sweet ones of Betty Sue. Many memories from Sacred Heart in Salisbury in bygone days.
Betty Sue was so sweet and always had a smile on her face. What a lovely photo of her. She reminds me so much of your dear mother. I'm sure her homecoming in heaven was a joyful one!
Please know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.
With deepest sympathy,
Anne Reed Stevenson*

Anne Stevenson - October 15, 2024 at 10:42 PM

DT

“ Duke Energy Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Betty Sue Mangum Whitman.



Duke Energy Team - October 15, 2024 at 08:01 AM

MS

“ Grammy was the strongest, most independent person that I know, who loved fiercely and was true to the amazing woman she was. I hope we can all take a piece of her - her love, her spunk, her fight, her willingness to give the shirt off her back - and put it back into the world in some way. Cherish the wonderful memories you have of her and honor her by making the world a better place. Grammy, I will miss you for now knowing that one day I will see you again. Good night, god bless you, I love you.



Megan Soots - October 14, 2024 at 03:48 PM

CS

I first met Betty Sue, the sister of my best friend, Ann Mangum, 24 years ago on the day before my son was killed. For months afterwards, she sent me cards weekly, sometimes two a week, and always included a line or two of encouragement. I will forever be grateful for her incredible kindness to someone who, at the time, was a stranger. I have enjoyed visits throughout the years with the three sisters, and was looking forward to seeing her New Year's Eve. I hope that you, the family, find comfort in your memories of such a special soul. Rest well, Betty Sue.

Cynthia Smith

Cynthia Smith - October 15, 2024 at 06:49 PM