



## Betty H. Ervin Obituary

January 20, 1938 - February 10, 2003

A native of Early County, Mrs. Ervin had resided in Albany for a number of years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Albany Lioness Club and the Albany Lions Club. She was an ambassador for Lions Clubs International all around the world from 1996 thru 2000 serving as the First Lady of Lions of Georgia and Lions of the World in 1999 and 2000.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty H. Ervin Obituary*

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May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Lion Jim, I am sadden at the loss of Betty. May you find comfort in each beautiful memory. My condolences to the family. Helen Troha, North Decatur Lions*

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**Helen Troha** - March 09, 2003 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy goes to the family of Lion Betty Ervin. Lion Betty has left a true spirit of Lionism in our club as a member and throughout the world where ever she went. Her beautiful smile and loving personality will also be remembered and cherished by all that knew her. Always willing to do and help in anything she could. She served as a gracious First Lady in Lionism and left a legacy for all her knew her and loved her to follow. She indeed was the Albany Lions Sweetheart as well as being 18C Lions Sweetheart.*

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**Albany Lions Club** - March 08, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Lion Betty. She always was very dedicated in serving the Camp when asked. On Lions Day at the Camp she always had a helping hand whether it be helping serve pork and beans, coleslaw on plates or just being there with her wonderful smile and contact with the Campers. Lion Betty had that personality that won the hearts, love and respect of anyone whom she met. Our memories we had with Lion Betty we will always have to remember her by and to cherish. What a wonderful Lion and First Lady!!!

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**Georgia Lions Camp For The Blind** - March 08, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Betty was a good friend and schoolmate from Damascus High School. I am saddened to learn of her passing. May God give extra strength to her family in this time of need.

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**Lee Waller** - March 02, 2003 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ Jim,

*Birsen and myself share deeply your sorrow. Betty was such a great lady and we loved her so much.*

*Please accept our sincere condolences. May she rest in peace and may the Great Architect of the Universe grant you and your family health and strenght to overcome this very difficult period.*

*With love from both of us*

*Nesim*

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**Nesim Levi** - February 26, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ *It was an honor to serve with Betty on the LCI Board. Her gentle ways made everyone feel special, and she saw it as her personal responsibility to plan memorable and exciting meetings.*

*I will never forget those wonderful times and the lady who made it all a reality.*

*May you rest in peace, Betty.*

*You were well loved.*

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**Evelyn and Bob Klein** - February 25, 2003 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ *We feel in sympathy with you and your family in this regrettable loss*

*Nylda and Titi*

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**Nylda and Titi Marinelli** - February 25, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Kaye & I will always remember the Betty we knew whole on the LCI Board. She is a shining star, & each night we will appreciate her beauty, life and enthusiasm!*

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**Bill & Kaye Moody** - February 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *The Columbus Lions Club of Columbus, GA value all the fine things that Betty and Jim have done over the years for Lionism. You are in our prayers.*

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**Lion John Fatum** - February 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ I am truly sorry to hear of Betty's death and long illness.  
I send our deepest sympathies for your loss.

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**Hisayo Dan/Japan** - February 22, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Dear Jim and Family-  
My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family. Betty was a beautiful person and will be missed by myself and so many people.  
My prayers are with you--  
Pat Gilman

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**Pat Gilman** - February 22, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ To Jim and Family, Sheila and I continue to have you in our prayers at this time. We all will miss the joy that Betty brought into our lives.  
Thanks you for sharing Betty with us...Chris Sumner DG 18-C

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**Chris Sumner** - February 21, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ From the Lions of District 18-C: While Betty traveled the world sharing the "WE SERVE" of Lionism, she was always "one of us." We will miss her joy, her fun, her warmth. Betty was the example of service to her family, her church, her community, her country, and her world. We the Lions of 18-C honor Betty. She will be missed...Jim, know that all of 18-C is with you and the family. We continue to keep you in our hearts and prayers...Betty told us "we need to get to work" to keep Lions Club the best...Let's go in her honor!

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**18-C Lions** - February 21, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ I grew up in Damascus, Ga. with Betty and we were good friends all through school but unfortunately lost contact with each other. I will always remember her with love and affection. I know she will be missed by all of you. May God Bless the Ervin family at this time.

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**Eva Ruth Jones-Porter** - February 21, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Our deepest sympathy on your loss. Manchester-Warm Springs Lion's Club Members Manchester, GA

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**Bill & Pat Tomlin** - February 21, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Lion Jim, Lois and I estend to you our heartfelt sympathies in the loss of your dear wife. We also extend the condolences of the Plant City Lions Club and the Wesley Chapel Lions Club. Betty has now had the ultimate healing and may she rest in peace.

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**PDG Bob and Lois Lastinger** - February 20, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time of sorrow. May Gob bless you all.

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**Lions Leonard & Holly Ellis** - February 20, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Dear PIP Jim:

*Glad & i want to express our deepest sympathy to you and your family on the loss of your beloved wife, Betty. Words are hard to come by at a time like this, but may you take comfort in knowing that you have many fond memories to treasure and we share in your loss. Gene & Glad Polgar*

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**Gene Polgar** - February 19, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ We were fortunate to meet Betty and Jim on numerous occasions on their visits to Alabama. We were so impressed by her beauty and generosity. She will surely be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Lions Don and Dianna Smith

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**Don and Dianna Smith** - February 18, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ My deepest sympathy is extended to Jim and the family. We all loved Betty and will miss her very much. My prayers continue for all of you in your time of sorrow.

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**Darlene L. Lathem** - February 18, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Jim, My heart goes out to and your family. Betty's passing brings much sorrow to so many friends and family who were blessed to have her in their lives. I feel so fortunate to have known Betty. She was truly the most loving, giving person I know. I will be forever grateful to you and Betty for all that you have done for our grandchildren, Christopher, Cari and Cody. Their lives have truly benefited by the love and guidance you and Betty have given them. Betty was such a special person and I will miss her. You were a wonderful caregiver to her. I will keep you in my prayers during this difficult time. May God bless you.

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**Ginny Lepkowski** - February 18, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Dear Jim and Family, We will always have fond memories of the many conventions we shared with Betty. One stands out, the 1997 South Carolina Lions convention. Carole became ill at the PDG dinner and recovered the next morning. That afternoon, Betty insisted that they were going shopping together. We will never forget that kindness and thoughtfulness. She touched many hearts in many ways. It was our good fortune to have been among them. With warm affection and sincere condolences, Bill and Carole.

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**Bill and Carole Hansen** - February 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Betty will be missed by all who knew her. It was our gain to have known Betty. Our Lion family will always remember her fondly.

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**John and Karen Walker** - February 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you, and you will be in our prayers.

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**PID Henry and Dorothy Wofford** - February 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

R3

“ *Please accept our deepest sympathy.  
Dick & Judy Grant*

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**Richard Grant, PDG 35-I** - February 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Sorry to about your loss, I really missed seeing you at Dr. ,Oleen's office  
Sherryl*

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**Sherryl Haugabrook,Lpn** - February 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *mr. ervin and family,May God bless you during your time of lost. il miss seeing you Mr. ervin when I worked with Dr. oleen.*

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**sherryl haigabrook lpn** - February 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *We are so grateful that we, through the great organization of Lions Clubs, came to learn Betty. We will always treasure the memroy of Betty as a true and good-humoued friend. We mourn for Betty and keep Jim and the Ervin family in our thoughts.  
Your true friends,  
Inger & Bruno Ahlqvist  
Gavle, Sweden*

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**Bruno & Inger Ahlqvist, Sweden** - February 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Dear Jim, We only heard today about your loss. Please accept our heartfelt condolences.  
Mack & Helen Freeman*

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**Mack & Helen Freeman** - February 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *We love you*

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**Amelia Turner** - February 16, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *To the Family  
We have you in our Prayers  
May God be with you  
Folston Lions Club  
Folkston Ga.*

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**LaVerne Crews** - February 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *THE BEAUTIFUL LADY*

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**MARGARET RICHTER SIMS** - February 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Jim, We have been praying for you ever since Betty became ill. You and the children will continue to be in our prayers during the coming days.*

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**Kaye Forester** - February 15, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Dear PIP Ervin & Family:*

*We are so sorry to hear about Betty. She will be greatly missed. She was a beautiful and lovely lady.*

*May God be with you at this time.*

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**Lions George & Margie Franklin** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I am so sorry for you loss, pleas except my heart fealt appolgy, and know that you and your family are in my prayers, Travis Parks W.R. Noon lions Club.

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**Lion Trais Parks** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Condolences from us and the Garrettsville Lions Club. District 13-D

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**Lions David & Patti Gauch** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Betty was truly the first lady of Lionism and she will be deeply missed. I would like to extend my heartfelt sympathy to Jim and all her family. My God bless you and be with you during this time of great loss in your life. The Bible tells us to be of good cheer, for we know by our faith that you will get to see her again and that is a wonderful promise from God. Jim if you need me for anything, I will always be available. Love, Your friend, Cotton.

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**Cotton Hester** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Enjoyed meeting betty at the convention in san diego as well as visiting with her again at the usa/canada leadership forum in birmingham and again in hawaii  
Please accept lion karen and my condolences and our deepest appreciation for all she contributed to lionism.

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**Phil McElwee** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ I am very sorry for your loss. I've only been a Lion for a short while but I've heard so much about Betty Ervin. I'm sorry that I never got a chance to meet her; but I'm thankful that some of the things that I enjoy in the Lions' Club is a direct result of her influence and of her making. May God grant Lion Jim Ervin and his family perfect peace.  
Lion Shelia Morrow

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**Lion Shelia Morrow** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GV

“ Our love and sympathy to the family of Betty Ervin. She will long be remembered for her warm smile and friendly face. We can give God thanks that Betty is no longer suffering pain. May God bless each one of you as you treasure all your memories which you hold in your hearts.

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**Gene and Darcey Vogel** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ You will be missed, and our prayers are with your family.

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**Kelly and Stacy Caldwell** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Jim,  
Ann & I were very saddened to learn of Betty's death. We would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to you and the other family members. Will continue to pray for you as you go through this difficult, life changing experience.

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**PDG Henry E Gibson** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ Our prayers are with you and your family.

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**Harold & Ann Stump** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Dear Jim,  
We are so sorry for your tremendous loss. In this time of need, we pray for you and your family. May God bless you & your family and give you the strength and solace to go on with your life. We pray that time will heal all.  
Love to you and your family.

Nina & Ralph MD 35

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**PDGs Ralph & Nina Loaiza** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I would like to take a moment to express my thoughts regarding Betty. She was a kind, loving person and a wonderful friend. I always felt comfortable in her presence regardless of the circumstances. She was not judging and always made you feel welcome and loved. Betty was truly one of the best people I have ever known. Like so many others ,I will truly miss Betty and Feel fortunate to have been a part of her life.

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**Shelia Spencer** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Please accept my sincere sympathy at the loss of Mrs. Betty.

Stephanie Miller  
Dublin Lions Club Member

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**Stephanie Miller** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Jim, Sorry to hear about Betty. I will keep her in my prayers. May God Bless you and your family. Jerry Wiggins

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**Jerry E. Wiggins** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Dear Jim and family  
Betty's service today was absolutely beautiful and I know just what she wanted. It was very personal and meaningful and the songs she chose were so inspirational. We pray you are comforted by the Holy Spirit in knowing she is safely in the arms of the Father. God's blessings on all of you. Love Sandra and Joe

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**Sandra & Joe Causby** - February 14, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ I will always have your memory at heart; and will miss being able to talk with you. It is too bad that we didn't live closer so that we could have seen each other more often. But the time we did have was special to me.  
Remember we are still sisters forever.  
Love Always  
Your Sister  
Betty (BJ)

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**Betty J Lawson** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

T1

“ We wish to express our deepest sympathy.  
Our thoughts and memories are with you in this time of sorrow.

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**Tony Burgos PDG 1999-2000** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Jim; Our thoughts and prays are with you and your Family.  
Bob

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**PDG Bob Hoover** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Our prayers are with you and your family*

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**Snellville Lions Club** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Jim, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Betty was such a lovely lady. It was my pleasure to have had the opportunity to know the both of you many years ago and to consider you friends.  
She will be remembered always.*

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**Lois Q. Malecky** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We express our deepest sympathy for the loss of Betty.*

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**IPDG Judy & VDG Jerry Smith 13E** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *Betty was a dear friend. She will be deeply missed by Lions all over the world. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your time of need. Bob*

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**Bob Robinson** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

J(

“ *Our prayers are with Lion Jim and the family. Betty was a special lady and and both she and Jim have a place in our Lion hearts.*

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**Joe & Edith Hughes (32-A)** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ Was saddened to hear of your loss, Lion Jim. You are in our prayers.

*Wade Hodges and the members of the Milledgeville Lions Club*

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**Wade Hodges, Secretary** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Jim: Angelia and I wish to extend our deepest sympathy for your great loss. We will keep you in our prayers.

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**PCC Bill & Angelia Filmore** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Betty was a beautiful person, inside as well as outside and it was our priviledge to have met her. Our sincere condolences to all of you.

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**Max & Cecille Herzel** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

ED

“ From Albany Ga. to around the world, many lives were brightened by Betty's sweet smile and wonderful attitude.

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**Elsie and Cecil Daniels** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY

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**shirley gray** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

D3

“ PIP Jim, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Betty was a beautiful lady and will be missed by many. God Bless you and your family.

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**DG Donna Spencer & PCC Neil Spencer, 35-D** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Shirley and I are saddened by the news of Betty's passing. We know she was a wonderful wife, a great mother and devoted grand mother. "The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here." Betty will be greatly missed.

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**PCC Jerry and Shirley Bonner** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ It is with great sorrow that we learn of the passing of Betty. May God's richest blessing's be with you and your family in this time of great sorrow. Bill Tisdale, Alabama Lions State Secretary

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**PCC William Tisdale** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ My deepest sympathy to the family for their loss of their loved one. I will miss her as I was a life long school friend from Damascus. My prayers are with you.

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**wallace garrod jr** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Dear Lion Past International President Jim and Family:  
Lion Linda and I express our condolences on the passing of Betty.  
We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.  
Sincerely, Lion Jim and Linda Kondor District 32B

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**Lion PDG Jim Kondor** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Betty (Gandi) was the best mother, mother-in-law, and Gandi anyone could ever ask for. She always had a smile on her face and made you feel like you were the most special person in the world when you came to visit. Chad loved to go to Gandi's and Hunter was already beginning to enjoy it as well. She got to see Hunter's first steps. She was worried she wouldn't live long enough to see him be born. He is 13 months now. The first thing Chad said when he found out she died was "She won't be able to cook me breakfast anymore." He thought she could make the best fried eggs. (I guess Papa Jim comes in second.) We love her and will miss her.

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**Selina Corliss** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ so sorry to hear of Betty Ervins passing.

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**PDG Robert James & PDP Pauline James** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

YA

“ Dear Jim, we want to express our condolences in the loss of your "partner in life". She was a bastion of strenght, love and endurance, and you glady gave her the reasons for them with your unquestionable love and support. Sorry we will not be able to attend the funeral. God bless.

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**Yamandu & Sylvia Acosta** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Sorry to hear of the death of your wife Betty. I know you will surely miss her. My wife Patsy sends her thoughts and prayers. May God be with you and your family at this time.  
PDG David Hatcher 2001-2002 Ala 34-N York Lions

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**PDG David Hatcher** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dear Jim & Family,

*Even though we are unable to be there personally, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We are so saddened about Betty, a wonderful and beautiful lady. If there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to call.*

*Love,  
Shirley & Roy*

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**Shirley & Roy** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *With deepest sympathy to Jim and family in the loss of this lovely lady who meant so much to so many. May God's presence comfort you in the days ahead. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Jane & Roger Finley, Adairsville Lions Club*

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**Jane & Roger Finley** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *Word can't express the great sorrow that David and I feel... Betty's LOVE & KINDNESS enriched the lives of everyone she touched around the world! Her TRUE SPIRIT has found it's way into all of us where she will live forever. Our prayers are with you and your family. WE LOVE YOU JIM!*

*Toni & David*

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**Toni & David Walters** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *Lion Jim and family,  
Mississippi Lions thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.  
We all know that Betty is in a better place but her strong spirit will be  
missed.  
Yours in Lionism,  
PCC Gary and Johanna Blair*

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**Gary and Johanna Blair** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Past International President Jim and family, we are very sorry to  
hear of your loss, you are in our thoughts  
Jim & Denise Hodgins  
Australlia*

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**PDG Jim Hodgins 201N3 1999-2000** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *We are sorry for your loss and are praying for you.*

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**Jimmy & Effie Newman** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *we are deeply saddened by Betty's death. She will always be  
remembered with great fondness;and her prescence will be greatly  
missed.*

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**Bill and Dorothy Wunder** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ *The Kansas Lions State Council and Lions of Kansas send our  
thoughts and prayers at this time. Kansas has great memories of  
Betty.  
Kansas Lions State Office*

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**Lions of Kansas** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ Jim, our love and prayers are with you during this time. Betty was a wonderful and caring lady and we treasure our memories. Her faith was a great testimony.

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**Ed and Linda McCormick** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Jim and the family. It's hard to be the ones left, but Betty is in a special place where there is no suffering.

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**Pcc Richard & Janet Brown** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Dear Jim and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you grieve for the loss of such a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. She loved to talk about the grandchildren, whom she adored.

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**Aubrey and Ellen Green** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CI

“ You all in our prayers and that we share in your loss. May your many good memories help to fill the great loss.

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**CARolyn,Charles and Carl Irvin** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *To Jim and Family,  
We are very sorry to hear your sad news and we forward our  
condolences to you all.  
DG. MD201N3, 98-99*

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**Marilyn Kinealy & PDG George Kinealy** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *PIP Jim, Please accept our deepest sorrow for your loss of Betty.  
She was a gracious lady and will be missed by us all. Our prayers  
are with you and your family.*

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**PCC MD13 Gary Brown & Brenda** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Jim,  
Our club sends our deepest sympathy on the loss to you and your  
family of your beloved Betty. We so much enjoyed your visit on our  
75th anniversary in 1998.*

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**Biloxi Lions Club, Mississippi** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ *Jim,  
Our deepest condolences to you and your family on the loss of  
Betty. We will always remember the two of you attending our 75th  
Birthday and my mid-winter convention in Biloxi.  
Nellicia & Larry*

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**Nellicia & Larry Sturgis** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ *WITH DEEPEST SORROW*

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**PDG LARRY PYLANT** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Jim:

*Our heart felt sympathy is extended to you in this time of loss. Vaneesa and I will always treasure the time that we had with you and Betty. May God fill the void in your life. Our prayers are with you.*

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**CC Jerome Thompson** - February 13, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *sorry for you loss, I am lion Raymond Wilson, Donalsonville lions club. my prayers are with the family*

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**Raymond Wilson** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ *We are so sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you. It meant so much to us and Lions in Iceland, that you visited us in your presidential year. It will not be forgotten! Betty will be greatly missed.*

*Gudrun and Jon Bjarni Thorsteinsson*

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**Gudrun and Jon Bjarni Thorsteinsson** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ *Betty was a sweet, wonderful lady. Jim, we are in prayer for you and your family during this difficult time. Our lives were enhanced by knowing her and spending time with her. Both Joel and Ethan were saddened to learn that she had gone to be with our Lord. However, all four of us know that she no longer has to suffer. We know that she is singing with the angels and will be waiting to greet us. You have all our love and prayers.*

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**Patrick and Sharlene Pignataro** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Jim, my deepest sympathy to you and your family. Please know that my prayers are with you during this difficult time. June W. Phillips, North Decatur Lions.

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**June W. Phillips** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ You will be Missed. your family will be in our prayers.

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**Donalsonville Lions Club** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Jim,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I'm not sure we'll be able to attend the funeral due to job responsibilities, but we will be with you in spirit. We will be making a contirbution in Betty's memory to LCIF. May God Bless you and comfort you and your family at this time!

Tommy & Kim Powell  
Columbus, GA.

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**Lion Tommy & Kim Powell** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ We are praying for you and your family. May God be whith you.  
Lions Marvin and Kristina Freeman Hattiesburg, Ms

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**Marvin and Kristina Freeman** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ We are thinking about you at this time , know our prayers are with you.

*When some one you you love , become a memory ,the memory bcome a Treasure*

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**Carl & Betty Montgomery** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Depest sympathy to Jim and the members of the Errvin family. It was a pleasure when I got to meet her in the S. C. Lions State Convention in 1997. She left joyous memories. Thoughts and prayers are with the family.

*Charles D. Jones*

*President, Berea Lions Club Greenville, S. C.*

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**Charles D. Jones** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Our prayers are with you and yours at this sad time.

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**PDG E.J."Marty" Martinez & Betty** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HL

“ My prayers are with you

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**Hugh Lewis** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ You have our deepest sympathy Jim, and we too share your loss...  
*Most Sincerely...*

*Doug and Deborah Jones*

*Tifton Lion's Club*

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**Doug & Deborah Jones** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ AS A 50 YR. MEMBER OF THE LIONS CLUB, I APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE AS PRESIDENT AND OFFER MY PRAYERS IN THE LOSS OF BETTY. MAY GOD BLESS.

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**BILL MARTIN** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ SO VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

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**PHYLLIS & JOHN BRANNAMAN** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Jim, We will all deeply miss Betty. She was so quick to help out in anyway. We will always remember those crazy days we would have sitting out on the dock fishing (for the fish, that just wouldn't bite!) We love you and the kids very much. Remember you are in our prayers and we are here for you if you need anything. Love You Lots*

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**Jessica, Brenda & Larry Fugate** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ *Betty's love and compassion will live in the hearts of The Lions of Georgia forever. her example will inspire greater service. We wish for Jim, Chris, Cari and Cody, The Peace of God, which passes our understanding.*

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**Evelyn and Jack Kennedy** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *sorry we could not visit in person Wed. Your love and compassion will live in the hearts of the Lions of Georgia forever*

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**Jack & Evelyn Kennedy** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Expresses its deepest sympathies and offers condolences to the families of Betty Ervin.  
Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear May it bring you special comfort to know you're in each though and prayer.  
Jay and Kamini Patel.

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**Jay and Kamini Patel** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RV

“ Dear PIP Jim & Family,  
  
Our sincerest condolences to you and your family on the lost of Betty. May you find peace in this most difficult time. We will keep you and yours lifted in our prayers. May God richly bless you always.

Sincerely,  
Richard & Mariaelena Vidal  
District 35-A Governor  
Lions of Florida

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**Richard & Mariaelena Vidal** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ My condolences to the family.

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**PDG Sandra Slemp** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ Betty always greeted us with a warm smile and a loving spirit. She always represented Lionism with honor and dignity. We will surely miss this lovely lady.

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**Ed & Pat Johnson** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ JIM,  
SENDING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR  
FAMILY. WE WILL KEEP YOU IN OUR PRAYERS. GOD BLESS  
YOU.

WALT, CHERYL & HALEY ALBRITTON

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**CHERYL ALBRITTON** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Jim, very sorry to hear about Betty. Our prayers are with you.

Pete and Michelle Lewis  
Port Charlotte, Florida

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**Pete & Michelle Lewis** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Nancy and I (and the Lions of MD13G) would like to extend our  
condolences to you and your family. If there is anything we can do  
to help, please let us know.

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**District Governor Bill Brown & Lion Nancy Brown** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00  
AM

DL

“ Jim, The Rincon Noon Lions Club extend our deepest sympathy to  
you and your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this  
time.

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**DeWayne & Kathy Ladner** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Jim,  
We have had you and Betty in our prayers for the past year and we want you to know that God loves you and so do we. We will keep you in our prayers.  
In Deepest Sympathy  
John and Joanne Singletary  
VDG 18-E

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**John & JoAnne Singletary** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Lion Jim and Family,  
  
We were greatly saddened by the loss of such a great first lady. Our prayers and thoughts are with you always.

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**Lion George & Nancy Hester** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Jim and Family\_  
Words cannot express the void that will be felt throughout the world of Lionism by Betty's passing. Our hearts are heavy yet full because we were able to call her our friend. We will always remember her and are comforted that she is now at home-in peace with her Lord. Jim please let us know if we can help you with anything.  
We love you and will pray for your comfort during this most difficult time.

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**Troy and Bonnie Pullin and family** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ My prayers go out for your family.

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**Gary Burtle** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ We are so very sorry that Betty lost her fight with cancer. She certainly put up a good fight. But knowing that she was a Christian she has actually won the race. We sincerely express our sympathy to you, Jim and your family. Our memories of Betty will always be in our hearts. She was such a gracious lady.

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**Rommie & Gloria Thompson** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ I grew up just next door to Betty. Her kindness and true inner beauty saturated her presence and will be sadly missed.

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**Amanda Prisant** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ JIM; RUTH AND I WITH THE LAWRENCEVILLE LIONS EXTEND TO YOU OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND EXPECT GOD TO DO FOR YOU AS HE DID WITH US, BRING COMFORT THAT SUSTAINS YOU.

IN LIONISM,  
ELLIS BRITT

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**ELLIS AND RUTH BRITT** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Deep sympathy from the members of Kelowna-Orchard City Lions Club (Dist 19D-7)  
You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Lion Paddy Langmaid PDG** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow. God has a new Angel now. Know now that Betty is in a better place. God Bless you and yours.

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**Lions Jim and Rae Gallagher** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ Our deepest sympathy and love are sent to you and your family today. Our prayers are with you at this time. God Bless

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**Michael & Betty newcomb** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ SO SORRY TO HEAR THE NEWS. AT LEAST SHE IS AT PEACE. REMEMBER YOUR LIONS FAMILY IS READY TO HELP GOD BLESS

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**DISTRICT GOVERNOR GARY NIESKES AND SANDY** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ Lion Jim and Betty visited District 24-A several times over the years. We remember Betty best at their visit to Blacksberg in 1992 when I was Governor. She was beautiful and gracious lady. Our sympathy to Jim and family.

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**Warren PDG & Millie Woolsey** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ On behalf of the Ohio Lions Council of Governors, and the Ohio Lions, please accept our deepest sympathies.

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**Jim Green, The Ohio Lions State Office** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *My prayers are with you. I know how you feel with the recent passing of my husband, Lion Bill. May our Lord give you and your family strength and comfort.*

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**Jackie Cameron, PCC MD-35** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *The members of the Punta Gorda, Florida Lions Club will remember the Ervin Family in their Prayers.*

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**PDG Bill & Jean Ringelstein** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *Dear Jim: Our prayers are with you and your family at this sad time. Betty will always be remembered dearly.*

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**PDG Norm & Jean Masters** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Dear Jim,*

*We are sorry that we are unable to attend the services, but we will be offering prayers for Betty. She has gone through so much, but now is at peace with her Lord. Our thoughts are with you during this passage.*

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**Connie & Joe Marcheggiani** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Member: Hattiesburg Lions Club  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi*

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**don george** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *Sun City, AZ*

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**PDG James D. Bailey** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Betty's determination and strength is helping us to meet the challenges we have to face. Her faith and strength has been an inspiration to all who met her. May the Lord bless you and keep you in his spirit.*

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**Tom & Charlene Broughton** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Jim,  
You are in our prayers at this time of your loss. We pray that God will give you strength and bless you with His love and memories of your life and love with Betty.*

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**Sid & Judy Scruggs** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ *Jim and Family,  
You have Marilyn's and my deepest sympathy in your great loss. The great works that Betty and you have done in Lionism will always be remembered.*

*Gary and Marilyn Gascho  
Tifton Lions Club*

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**Gary Gascho** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Although Betty may be gone, her memory will always remain with us. Jim, we share your loss.

PDG Ed and Louise Gass - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We are so very sorry. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.  
From the Pembroke Lions Club

Marie L Smith - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ PIP Jim: We met in the Atlanta airport restroom in April 1998 returning from DGE training in Illinois. We knew then, you'd make a great President. We suffer with you in your loss and pray the future will gradually ease the pain. Although we did not know Betty personally, she certainly must have been a tremendous individual to have been loved by someone as outgoing, dedicated and committed as you. We will all miss her deeply. We regret we cannot be with you in person during this sad time.

P.D.G. "Dick" Clare & Lion Jane (35-I Florida) - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ PIP Jim: We met in the Atlanta airport restroom in April 1998. We knew then, you'd make a great President. We suffer with you in your loss and pray the future will gradually ease the pain. Although we did not know Betty personally, she certainly must have been a tremendous individual to have been loved by someone as outgoing, dedicated and committed as you. We will all miss her deeply. We regret we cannot be with you in person during this sad time.

P.D.G. Richard E. "Dick" Clare & Jane - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Sorry to learn of Betty's death. We join your friends from around the world in extending our sympathy. We are not up to the 1000-mile RT to attend funeral. Our prayers are with you.

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**Austin and Carmine Jennings** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ PID Jim: I join the 5M5 Lion family of MN, Northwest Ontario and Manitoba and Lions from all over the world in expressing sympathy for Betty's passing. As today is my 48th Wedding Anniversary, I can understand even moreso your loss. Please know that the world-wide Lion family is thinking of you and praying for you. PDG Jack McKernan - 5M5 '98-'99

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**PDG Jack McKernan** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Our hearts are heavy with sadness upon hearing the news about Betty. Our prayers will be with your family.

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**Bellville Lions Club** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

FH

“ Dear Jim.

*Thinking of you and all the joy and love which Betty brought to so many of us who knew her.*

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**Frances Harris** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *The members of the Columbus GA. Lions Clubs send their thoughts, prayers, and sympathy in the loss of fellow Lion and former First Lady of Lions International, Betty Irvin. A void has been left in all of us but we are all the richer for her having been here. God Bless!*

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**Columbus Lions Club** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ *We're going to miss Betty a lot more than anyone can imagine. The only joy we can feel is that of having had the chance to know her.*

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**Herbert Hughes** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *The Columbus East Lions Club send their prayers for PIP Jim and family.*

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**Columbus East Lions Club** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Lion Candace Fitch** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ *I am sorry for the lost of your help-meet. Jlm my prayers go out to you, your family and close friends at your lost. Betty's wonderful and warm smile will always be remembered. God Bless*

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**Vanessa Stanley, Atl Metro Lions** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Jim, our prayers and thoughts are with you. Betty was a lovely person who touched many lives. And you were a very supportive husband during her time of need. God be with you.

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**David and Sarah Sargent** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Marjorie and I and all of the Tifton Lions Club deeply regret the passing away of Betty. Our club will send a donation to LCIF in her memory. I will be unable to attend the funeral due to legislative business in Atlanta. Please accept our apologies and deepest sympathy.

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**Richard & Marjorie Chalfant** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

S1

“ PIP Jim, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I know that you will not be aware, but I will not be able to attend your beautiful wife's services. You and Betty have always been such in inspiration. Lions all over the world are better for having known Betty.

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**Shelia Standridge, PDG 18-E** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ LION JIM ON BEHALF OF THE PT.WENTWORTH LIONS CLUB WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY WE ARE SORRY FOR THE LOST OF YOUR WIFE BETTY.IF THERE IS ANY THING WE CAN DO PLEASE CALL US.GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAIMLY AND AGAIN WE ARE SORRY.SIGNED PT.WENTWORTH LIONS CLUB. PT. WENTWORTH,GA

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**LION JOHN L. W. BLAIR SR.** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Jim i am truly sorry! She was so much fun to be around You take care of your self.

Preston Phelps - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LI

“ The Board of Directors of the LaBelle Lions Club extend their deepest sympathies to the Ervin Family. You are in our prayers.

LaBelle Lions Club, Inc. - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. She will be missed by Lions everywhere.

Norma Jean Andrews - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Dear Jim & family,  
We are deeply saddened at the loss of Betty. She was a very special lady, who we dearly loved.  
May God bless you as you walk through this valley of life. We love you.  
Stan & Alta

Stan & Alta Palmer - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ Jim,  
Our thoughts and prayers are wiht you and the kids. We have pleasant memories of Betty. May God's strength sustain you.

Tommy and Sandy

Tommy and Sandra King - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ I had the wonderful pleasure of knowing Betty for 15 years. I shared our Grand children Cari, Cody and Chris Jr. for this peroid of time.

*As the Grand Father in Upstate, NY Ilearned what a wonderful person Betty was and the great positive infulance she was for the Grand children in Albany, GA.*

*Betty will never be forgotten. There will not be a day go by that I won't think of the love, infulance and care she brought to all who's life she touched.*

*I am a luckey person to have know, worked with and enjoyed Betty Ervin.*

*May God rest your soul Betty.*

*Love*

*Edward*

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**Edward L. Lepkowski** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ We are comforted in the knowledge that Betty lives in the minds and hearts of all who knew her. God bless you Jim, and your family, in your hour of sorrow.

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**Joe and Marilynn Hirsch** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Dear Jim,  
*I am sorry to learn the sad demise of Betty. Kindly accept my heartfelt condolences. May her soul rest in peace.*

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**Ashok Mehta** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *Our prayers are with you and your family during this time of sadness in the loss of such a great person*

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**Kathryn Higgins/Alpharett a Lions** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Our prayers are with you and your family during your bereavement*

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**MHiggins** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I have many fond memories with Betty as the years have passed. Our prayers and the prayers of the Lions of Florida are with you Past President Jim.*

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**Don & Phyllis Scott** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *While we never had the opportunity to meet Betty in this life, we heard enough about her to look forward to meeting her in heaven. May the peace and comfort of God temper your grieving and sooth your aching heart.*

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**JOE BILL & SUE bRANNON** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Jim & family,  
Bob will be with you tomorrow, but I wanted to say how very sorry I am for your profound loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you now and in the days ahead. Betty was a special lady and friend to me. She always brightened the way for others with her warmth and beautiful smile.  
My love,  
Ann

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**Ann P. Sweatt** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Jim, We are sadden by the death of Betty. Unfortunatly we will not be able to get to Albany because of some committments. You and your family will be in our prayers.  
I hope we will see you soon under better conditions.

*Jerry & Jeannie Ney*

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**jerry & Jeannie Ney** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ Jim and Family, We would like to express our deepest sympathy and assure you of our prayers during this most difficult time. Bob and Marie Diebold (N Decatur Lions Club)

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**Bob and Marie Diebold** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Elisabeth Kubler-Ross writes:  
"People are like stained glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is light within."  
Betty's light was bright and she always had so much of it to share. Her awesome love and light have touched her family, friends, and people across this great world.  
Betty and I were friends for over 25 years. We went months and years without talking but were always able to pick up where we left off.  
Her greatest gift to me was her constant accolade of what a great job she felt I did as a mother. I realize that she could have only felt this way because of the wonderful mother and grandmother she was.  
She will be greatly missed but her presence and light will go on.  
I will miss her.  
My love to Jim, the family, and friends.  
Jeanie

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**Jeanie (Prisant) Stoker** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Jim, our prayers and support for you in this time of great loss are offered today. You and Betty have been a great asset to the International family of Lionism. We appreciate all that you do. Mel Broom

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**Melton E. Broom, PCC, MD35** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JY

“ You are in our thoughts.  
Hattiesburg (Mississippi) Lions Club.

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**James N. Yelverton** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Jim, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Betty was loved by us and will be missed.

*Genie and Ken Massingale*

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**Ken and Genie Massingale** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Jim and family and want you to know we will keep you in our hearts and prayers. We were privileged to have met both Jim and Betty.

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**PDG Herb and Hellene Wells** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ We wish you Comfort, Peace and Hope. May you find comfort in knowing that Betty is with God.

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**Hashbarger family** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Our Prayers are with you and your family.  
*Lion Joe*

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**Lion Joe W. Ayers** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AS

“*Lion Jim, though we only knew each other in passing, to me, Betty exemplified the epitome of the gracious Southern lady. She brought warmth and charm wherever she went, and always represented the very best of Lionism. I know your loss is great, but I hope you will take comfort in the loving support of family and friends, and know that you and she will be together always in spirit. You and your family are in the thoughts and prayers of all members of the Columbus Lions Club.*

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**Alice Stagg** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BW

“*Our sincerest condolences to Jim and family*

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**billy weldin** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

S1

“*The Lions of District 18-D share in the grief at the loss of such a loving, caring person. We extend our sympathy to Jim and the family. May the love and peace of God that passes all understanding be with them forever.*

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**Steve Hart, DG 18-D** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

L1

“*PIP Jim and family: Please accapt my condolences on your loss. I'll always remember your visit to Multiple District 5M. You will be in my prayers.*

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**Lion Steve "Fuzzy" Halseth, PDG, 5M-7, 1993-1994** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *Our deepest sympathy on this occasion.  
Bucky & Ann Kahn  
Sebring, Florida*

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**A. J. "BUCKY" KAHN, PDG** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Betty had the most beautiful  
smile and the warmest hugs.  
We will miss her loving  
spirit. Jim, please accept  
our deepest sympathy for your loss.*

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**Liz and Ray Moore** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Our deepest condolences and prayerful sympathy are extended.  
God bless Jim and the family.*

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**Richard & Janet Brown** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *You are in our prayers*

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**Sandersville Lions Club** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *I was so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are  
with you at this time.*

*Janice Seals  
Hephzibah Lions Club*

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**Janice M. Seals** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *Betty Hunt Ervin was a patient, kind, and caring friend. She was a beautiful lady inside and out. Although she endured much pain in life, she will now rest in peace. With fond memories,*  
*Lillian Pace-Devane*

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**Lillian Pace-Devane** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *Sorry for your loss.*  
*Stuart Levenson, President,*  
*Sandy Springs Lions Club*

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**Stuart Levenson** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Jim , Although no words of sympathy can ease the loss you bear,*  
*Still may you find comfort in the thought that others care chris &*  
*mary ann*

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**Christopher A . Barbieri & MARY ANN BARBIERI** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *Jim, Please know that you have the Lions of Florida's thoughts and prayers with you at the difficult time. You and Betty have been an inspiration to us all. We thank you for being there for us all these years as we are there for you now.*

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**Louis Cantrell** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Curt Fitch, PDG and Jane Fitch** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *To a valiant warrior, a loving mother, grandmother, faithful wife and a very special friend. She will be sorely missed by all. May the Good Lord take special care of her she has earned the comfort that she will receive for she has certainly earned it. God bless her and keep her  
With Love from Pete and Betty  
special*

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**Pete and Betty del Cano** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *Jim.*

*Our prayers are with you and your family. I wish we could be there, at present we have our two week old great grandson we have been keeping him due to his mother being sick.*

*Betty will be truly missed she has always been such a lovely person.*

*Sincerely*

*Loretta*

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**Loretta and Don Snowden** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ *Our deepest sympathy. Our prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Wayne & Cathy Dott** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ *PIP Jim  
All of the Lions of the St. Lucie West Lions Club of Port St. Lucie,  
Florida wish to express our condolences at the loss of Betty. Those  
of us who are Charter Members remember the wonderful evening  
we had with both of you at our Charter night. At least now Chuck  
More has someone to look after him and keep him out of trouble.*

*Geoffrey Wade  
VDG, District 35D*

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**Geoffrey & Nancy Wade** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Dear Jim Our hearts and prayers are with you.*

*Yours in Service  
Lions Cathy and Dennis  
35R*

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**DG Cathy & Dennis Walton** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *i was the waitress at the ramada inn for the lions club. my deepest  
regards to the family*

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**mary I. mckibben** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Dear Jim, So very sorry to learn about your loss. We are so sorry  
that we can't be there to share your grief. You and your family are  
certainly in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Jimmy and Martha Curry** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Betty's valiant battle with her illness gave Jim inspiration when he was diagnosed with metastasizing cancer in September 2002. Our sincerest sympathy goes to her entire family.*

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**Jim and Shirley Huskey** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *We are sadden over the loss of Betty. We tried to be with you tommorrow but it did not work out.*

*Jim and family will be in our thoughts and prayers tomorrow and in the future.*

*Al and Maureen*

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**Al Brandel and Maureen Murphy** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *May God Bless and comfort you in your loss.*

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**Carl & Joan Harrell** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *PIP Jim, May it help to know that others all over the world, understand and care, and are remembering you with special thoughts. PDG Butch and CC Judy*

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**Earl "Butch" & Judy Strawn MD13** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Jim and family,  
We prayers are with you and we know that God has Betty safe in his hands.*

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**Jim & Betty Hennighan, PDGs** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Our prayers to Lion Jim and the family. Such a wonderful lady in every respect, we loved her in Oregon as she was a part of PIP Jim's dedication to the family of Lions.

*Connie and I now live in Peachtree City, Georgia and will always remember her extending welcome to come and visit the family in Georgia.*

*Al & Connie Starns, 922 Buffalo Rd., Peachtree City, GA 30269*

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**Al Starns, PDG** - February 12, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Our heartfelt sympathy to the entire Ervin family. Betty's love for the children during our time on the Board will always be a cherished memory.

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**PID Ron and Jane Huber** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We are truly sorry to learn of Betty's death and long illness. We remember all the kindness you and Betty showed to us.

*M.C. & Amelia Stowe*

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**M.C. & Amelia Stowe** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Jim: Our prayers go out to you. If there is anything we can do to help in any way, please call on us. Matrice joins me in sending our love. YIL, Joe.

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**Joe and Matrice Molony** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ *Jim  
Joe and I were so sorry to hear about Betty.  
Anne Davis*

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**VDG 35-F Anne Davis** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *My deepest sympathy to Lion Jim and Family.*

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**MD 35 Council chair Arvada Kindstrom** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ *To Lion Jim & Family,  
Our deepest sympathies to a Great Lion in the loss of an amazing  
Lioness. It meant so much to our club when you came to speak at  
our annual banquet. It will not be forgotten! If there is anything the  
Adel Lions Club can do for you just ask!  
Sincerely,  
Adel Lions Club  
Mike McCartney, Pres.*

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**Adel Lions Club, Mike McCartney, Pres.** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *My love and sympathy are with you, Jim, and the whole family  
during this time of grieving for Betty. You all fought a long and brave  
fight. But, just remember, Betty is with the Lord now and out of pain.  
Remember and treasure the good times in the coming days.*

*Jane Price  
Canton Lions Club 18A*

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**Jane Price** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. Miss Betty will be greatly missed. We wish we could express our thanks to her for all she did for Lionism.

J C and Gail Coefield - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ their is another Angel in the sky watching over us all now. She will be greatly missed.  
she was a lady all the way.

Georgia L.Taylor - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My thoughts & prayers are with you. Jim, I probably know as good as anyone how you feel & what you are and will be going through. If there's anything I can do or if you just want to talk, I'm here. Scott Warren

Scott Warren - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Dear Jim and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are so sorry for your loss. We will miss seeing Betty's smile and hearing her encouraging words at Lion functions. Our love now and always.

Bill and Carolyn Craig - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Our sincere symphathy

PDG Harry Goetzman and Lion Betty - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Jim & Family:

*My heart is broken, and my thoughts and prayers are with you doing this most difficult time. Words cannot express the love we have always had for you and Betty. Please know that we are here for you and that we love you so very much. I will always cherish every moment I had with Betty and count myself among the most blessed to have known someone so loving and giving of herself as she was. I know that Betty has gone home to be with Jesus and that we will see her again one day. I know that she won't have to suffer any more and that you know that she is at peace.*

*Jim, please know that I am here and will always be here for you. Just call on me.*

*My mother also sends her love and her sincere sympathies.*

*I will see you on Thursday and please call on me if you need anything.*

*Love,*

*Stan*

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**Stan Bazemore** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *Jim: My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of loss. Lion Betty was a very special person to many around the world. She lives on in our hearts. She lives on in all that we do as Lions as We Serve.*

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**Rick Mizell** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you today and in the days to come. Thanks for the memories. Tom, Judy, Avery & Hayley Jackson

Tom & Judy Jackson - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ What a wonderful lady and friend to all. Now our love to Jim and family. May God's grace be your peace during these difficult times.

John and Carolyn Pearce - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Jim, Dimple and I wish to offer our extreme regret at your loss Please remember that she has no pain now. We will always be available when needed. Dave and Dimple Forrest

David Forrest - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ All the Lions in the Hinesville Lions Club are very saddened at Betty's departure. While we know the pain is now gone and that she is resting in the loving arms of our Lord, we know that this does not make it easier for you. You and Betty are in our prayers.

Chuck and Lil Shurtleff - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ May God bless and keep the family in His loving care.

Dale and Lorene Hoffman - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *Jim and family are in our thoughts and prayers. We thought the world of Betty and will miss her very much.*

*Love, Shirley & Amos Cash*

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**Amos & Shirley Cash** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Dear Lion Jim --*

*We are thinking of you and your family, and send our deepest sympathies for your loss.*

*From Mark and Leslie Miller and the Jasper Lions Club*

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**Mark and Leslie Miller** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *Jim:*

*Betty was so easy to love, and such a great friend...I'll miss her. I feel that I'm a better person for having known her. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.*

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**Linda Selby** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ *My condolences to you during this time of sorrow. Words fail for sufficiency in these difficult times but I do know that Lord is able to encourage our hearts, as we repose our faith in His sufficient grace that is able to sustain us. Hold on to you faith. He is able. God bless.*

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**Henry E. Williams** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ Dear Jim and family;

*Dot, Carl, and I am crushed to hear of Betty passing. She was a wonderful Lady and I will always remember her as that.*

*Jim;*

*Many are cheered by your faith and Love for Betty and how very much you cared and took care of her.*

*God Bless my friend.*

*Dave O.*

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**Dave & Dot O'Scott** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *Betty was an inspiration to many, and she was loved by all of us. She will be missed, but she will always be remembered for the fine person she was and for all she has done for others.*

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**Beverly A. Roberts** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *Jim, Chris, Cari, Cody and family.*

*Please know that our hearts and thoughts are with you. We all are fortunate to have been able to be a small part of Betty's service through Lions, and she will be missed. She was a special women. We love you all.*

*Paul, Janet, April, Nancy and Katherine Johnson.*

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**Paul R. Johnson** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *The Lighthouse Executive Committee and Staff extend our deepest sympathy to the Ervin family. Betty was loved by all of us, and will be missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

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**Linda B. Hauptfuhrer, M.Div.** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Sorry about yuor loss.*

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**Thomas Shulman** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Betty was a special person that always had a pleasant smile and words of kindness. She will be missed but we know that she is in Heaven now looking over all of us.*

*Jim, draw on the strength of those that love and care for you.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the children during this time.*

*Clark, Sharon Lamb and Children*

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**Clark and Sharon Lamb** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Thinking of you Jim and your family, We will see you soon.*

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**MILFORD AND NANCY LAMB** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *Betty's smile will always be remembered.*

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**Lil Shurtleff** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Jim, I only met Betty once, and she was a very nice person. I am praying for you and your family during this time.

Sorry for your loss.

George Bonito

Sandy Springs Lions Club

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**George Bonito** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Jim, as always we are thinking of you and praying for you and your family.

All our love.

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**J. D. & Wylene Goings** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ God needed a special angel in Heaven to watch over us here on earth and he chose Betty. Betty was loved by everyone. Once you met her she became a special person in your life forever and a treasured friend for ever. There is a void left in our hearts in her passing and she will be tremendously missed but we do know she is no longer suffering. You are in our thoughts and prayers and if there is anything we can do or need someone to talk with we are here for you.

Yours in Lionism, Love Terry and Delores.

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**Terry and Delores Foreman** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Jim (and family). Mrs Betty will be deeply missed by myself as well as the Albany Evening Lions Club.

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**Sam Shugart** - February 11, 2003 at 12:00 AM