



## Mrs. Beverly Schneider Smith

December 27, 1942 - December 4, 2015

KIMBRELL-STERN OBITUARY  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2014

Beverly Smith, 72, of Albany, GA, passed away Friday, December 4, 2015. Beverly was born on December 27, 1942, in Akron, OH, to the late Ray and Nellie Schneider, and had lived in Albany since 1972. She had a career in accounting and insurance, retiring as Claims Manager in 2012 from Doherty, Duggan, Hart, and Tiernan, Insurors, after 27 years of service.

Beverly and her late husband, Paul, found a home in the community of the Temple B'Nai Israel, where she devotedly served in many capacities, including as choir director, treasurer of Sisterhood, past secretary of the congregation, head of the ritual committee, and editor of the yearbook. She also served the Temple Beth El of Bainbridge, traveling there for monthly services.

Beverly was an accomplished vocalist, bringing the joy of music and her lovely voice to many Bar Mitzvahs, Bat Mitzvahs, weddings, and numerous church events throughout the Albany region. Beverly was devoted to the arts of the Albany area, singing for many years in the Albany Chorale and serving as its past president. She enjoyed volunteering for Theatre Albany in the box office and serving as treasurer of the board. She also took pleasure in volunteering for many years for the Albany Symphony, recently running the box office. She made regular outings to Atlanta to attend the opera and locally supported many fundraising events for the arts, dragging family members along, which

they later realized were some of the best times they had. Beverly cared deeply about the Albany community and volunteered with Keep Albany Dougherty Beautiful. She was pleased to have completed training to become a Master Gardener and enjoyed nurturing her own home garden. She was a friend to animals and cherished the companionship of her dogs, especially Dusty, McDuff, and Toby, and her newest rescue, Aveline. She loved feeding the birds and finding new ways to keep the squirrels from reaching the feeders.

All who knew Beverly knew she was always rooting for the Atlanta Braves, and she enjoyed attending games with her husband when possible. Beverly enjoyed crosswords and games of all kinds, from bocce ball to Boggle, usually winning, but always graciously. Beverly looked forward to family gatherings at Destin, FL, and Ruggles Beach, OH, where the highlight of the summer was staying up into the wee hours watching the Perseid meteor showers.

Beverly was preceded in death by her husband Paul, the love of her life. She is survived by her daughter, Dawn Soos Ghiathi (Latif) of Shellman, GA; son Eric Soos of Leesburg, GA; sister Peg Bobel (Rob) of Akron, OH; granddaughter Hana Ghiathi; and special friend of the family, Chuck Spencer. Beverly is also survived by Paul's children Rachael Bjorklund (Kevin), Angela Parker (Jeff), and Comer Smith (Rachel), and Paul's grandchildren.

The family will receive at Kimbrell-Stern on Tuesday, December 8, 6:00-7:30 PM. The funeral service will be at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, December 9, 2015, at Kimbrell-Stern, with interment to follow at Riverside Cemetery. Rabbi Holly Cohn will officiate.

Those desiring may send memorials to Temple B'Nai Israel, PO Box 71425, Albany, GA 31708, or to the Albany Chorale, Albany Symphony, Theatre Albany, or Albany Humane Society.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

200 Cotton Ave  
Albany, GA 31707

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 8. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors  
1503 Dawson Rd.  
Albany, GA 31707

## Funeral Service

DEC 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Beverly Schneider Smith*

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May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mrs. Beverly Schneider Smith*

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December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM

CR

“ Heartbroken to learn of Beverly's passing. Was honored to call her a “good friend” for over 30 years.

*I can't help but \*smile\* whenever I think of Bev.....her crazy dogs over the years with the most interesting personalities plus the other critters...and her precious 'Drefee' (sp?).*

*We sang together over most of those years and something magical happened when our two voices blended....it was like another voice joined in. We both found it remarkable.....and joyous. So, I've always considered Bev my “vocal soul mate”. \*grin\**

*My heart and prayers go out to Dawn, Eric, Peg and the rest of the family. You were Blessed to have the most remarkable person in your midst.....and she loved you all So Much.*

*It does help to know she is with Paul again. What a Perfect Couple they were... even strangers would comment on the love they radiated when they were out and about the community that they loved.*

*Beverly Smith was an Amazing Woman.  
We were all lucky to have shared our paths with her on this journey.*

*R.I.P. my friend.  
You made a Big difference in this World and  
will be missed by more than you could ever imagine.*

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**Charlee Reasor** - December 12, 2015 at 03:46 PM

CA

“ Hello, my name is Carlein. I am a Bible teacher. I am sorry for your loss. A scripture that has given me much comfort is Revelation 21.4 which promises that one day death shall be no more. I hope this truth brings you comfort also.

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**Carlein** - December 10, 2015 at 06:53 PM

LL

“ I so regret learning of your and Albany's loss. I was very fond of Beverly and Paul. They worked tirelessly for the Symphony a few years ago getting tickets/box office ready for the season. And they ran the box office for several years. What a gift that was to the Symphony! They both had a quiet way of working and worked together beautifully. I so enjoyed getting to know them and working with them. I am forever grateful to them. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I know how much you will miss her. With deepest sympathy, Lark Ledbetter

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**Lark Ledbetter** - December 09, 2015 at 08:54 PM

EM

“ One of our best memories of Bev is the cheery smile she always wore, welcoming and open. This is a trait she shared with our dear friend and her sister, Peg, and with her daughter, Dawn, and her granddaughter, Hana. We send our deepest sympathy to all of Bev's family and friends who will miss her smile. We know they will find its reflection on other faces.

*Elaine and Harold Marsh,  
Akron, Ohio*

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**Elaine Marsh** - December 09, 2015 at 12:12 PM



Jennie  
Henry

*Perfect Elaine!*

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**Jennie Henry** - December 09, 2015 at 07:58 PM

SA

“ Dear Smith Family,  
So sorry to hear about your loss. Nothing can really fully prepare us for the loss of a loved one. But we can find comfort and hope that they are no longer suffering as ecclesiastes 9:5 reassures us that they feel nothing at all, and that One day we won't have to deal with death because there will be no more pain and death like Isaiah 25:8,9 tells us. hope this has brought some comfort to you. And again my condolences.

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**sarah** - December 09, 2015 at 07:33 AM

CJ

“ Oh how I loved Beverly! I had the pleasure of working with Beverly for over 20 years. She was not only an awesome coworker but one of the most loving individuals I have the pleasure of knowing. After she retired, we would have little chats in my office about Theatre Albany business and 1000 other topics. We shared a compassion for our fur babies! I will truly miss her and her dedication to the community.

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**Cindy Johnson** - December 08, 2015 at 04:55 PM

JL

“ I would like to express my condolences to Beverly's family for your loss. I was so lucky to call Beverly my friend and neighbor for many years. We spent time walking our dogs together and talking in our yards about plants and what was happening in our town. She was always happy and smiling. I will miss that smile and her friendship everyday.

*Jill LaVassaur*

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**Jill LaVassaur** - December 08, 2015 at 11:54 AM



“ I was fortunate to call Beverly my friend. She worked with our choir at First Presbyterian many years ago and made it fun for all of us. The Albany community has lost a jewel.

*Becky Dusterdieck*

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**Rebecca Dusterdieck** - December 08, 2015 at 07:42 AM

BN

“ Our sincere thoughts and prayers are with Beverly's family and friends. Temple Beth El in Bainbridge will always have many fond memories of her beautiful voice and devotion to our congregation.

*Becky, Tuffy & Kip Nussbaum  
Bainbridge, GA*

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**Becky Nussbaum** - December 08, 2015 at 05:17 AM

LB

“ *Lisa Buck lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Beverly Schneider Smith*



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**Lisa Buck** - December 07, 2015 at 11:34 PM

RP

“ *Temple Beth El in Bainbridge was so fortunate to have Beverly share her vocal talent with our congregation over the years. It didn't matter to her that we might have less than ten people at services. She was still eager to help us keep our Temple doors open. Many times after services we would go to Zaxbys and eat a bite before she headed back home. I will treasure those times! Thoughts and prayers for her family and friends.*

*Roslyn Palmer  
Bainbridge*

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**roslyn Palmer** - December 07, 2015 at 09:10 PM



“ *Beverly will truly be missed at Temple BethEl in Bainbridge. Her beautiful voice filled our little temple with such love and joy. My thoughts and prayers are with all her family and friends.*

*Deedi Eubanks  
Bainbridge, GA*

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**Deedi Eubanks** - December 07, 2015 at 05:15 PM

LB

“ I enjoyed being in Chorale with Beverly for a few years. Since I left Chorale, I could always count on seeing her smiling face a Business After Hours in support of our community and our Chamber of Commerce. Such a sweet lady. I will miss her smile.

Leslie Boling - December 07, 2015 at 03:32 PM

TM

“ Mrs. Beverly will be missed in the Dougherty County Extension Office. She was a Master Gardener and was always willing to help with whatever we needed. We had many nice chats during her visits. She was a lovely person.

Teresa Myler - December 07, 2015 at 02:56 PM



“ Reflections of Glory Wreath was purchased for the family of Mrs. Beverly Schneider Smith.



December 07, 2015 at 02:36 PM

MC

“ Mrs. Beverly will be deeply missed. I have known her many years. She was always so kind and thoughtful. I loved how she collected newspaper articles and shared them in her sweet cards. She sent me the most lovely article following the recent death of my father that touched me deeply. She will be forever missed. I recently saw her perform with the Albany Chorale. I know the group will miss her deeply. She loved the Chorale. I sat in many a Chorale board meeting with her.

Michelle Cox - December 07, 2015 at 10:18 AM

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*Beverly will always be in my heart. We shared 15 years of friendship and music. She was always an inspiration for kindness and good cheer. I still hear some of her beautiful choir music in my head and I smile.*

*Irene Palnick*

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**irene palnick** - December 27, 2015 at 12:44 AM