



Betty Jean Anthony Finch

September 23, 1946 - August 21, 2022

Betty Jean Anthony Finch passed away August 21, 2022 at Lynchburg General Hospital surrounded by family. She was born September 23, 1946 to Reba Bailess Anthony and Paul Edwin Anthony, Jr of Altavista, VA. As a young girl, she attended St John Church in Grit with her grandmother Audrey Bailess. It was here that she met Julian Page Finch. The couple married on April 17, 1964 and moved to his family's farm on Dews Road where they would spend 58 years together.

Betty grew up in Altavista and was the second of four daughters. She was a people person and loved spending time with family. She was a homemaker and mother to daughter Melinda in the early years of her marriage. After her son Kenneth was born, she started working as a substitute teacher at John L. Hurt, Jr Elementary School. She eventually joined Burlington Industries as a customer service representative. She was a working mother when daughter Karen was born. Betty left Burlington after 15 years and became a bank teller with Central Fidelity. She went back to school to earn her license to sell investments and rose to Assistant Branch Manager for Wachovia in Altavista. She really enjoyed working with her clients. Betty and Page attended St John Church throughout their lives and volunteered especially in their retirement years. Betty was active in her children's activities. She led a Girl Scout Troop, taught Sunday School, attended PTA meetings, band concerts, and numerous sporting events. She was immensely proud of her children and grandchildren.

She had a great eye for fashion and absolutely loved the Christmas season. Her smile and enthusiasm will be missed by all who knew her.

Betty was preceded in death by a sister Kitty Sue Anthony. She is survived by her husband Page and two sisters, Paulette Anthony Payne of Hartsville, SC, and Judith Anthony Brumfield of Gretna, VA. She is survived by her children Melinda Finch Cagle of Williamsburg, VA, Kenneth P. Finch (Lynne) of Fort Mill, SC, and Karen Finch Kelly (James) of Crozet, VA. She is also survived by four granddaughters, Samantha Cagle, Lauren Finch, Catherine Finch, and Madison Kelly and a grandson, Ryan Kelly.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 25, 2022 at St. John Pentecostal Holiness Church, Hurt by the Rev. Tim Lane with interment to follow in Altavista Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends at the church one hour prior to the service and other times at the residence.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider St. John Pentecostal Holiness Church, 6658 Dews Road, Hurt, VA 24563.

Finch & Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Altavista Memorial Park

642 Wards Road
Altavista, VA 24517

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 25. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. John Pentecostal Holiness Church
6658 Dews Road
Hurt, VA 24563

Funeral Service

AUG 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. John Pentecostal Holiness Church
6658 Dews Road
Hurt, VA 24563

Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - August 23, 2022 at 01:48 PM

LE

Betty was my cousin. We shared many childhood memories. She was beautiful, inside and out.

Lynda Emanuels - August 24, 2022 at 11:12 PM

SE

Page and Family Betty , her mom and dad and two sisters moved to their new house across the street from my family on Lynn St in Hurt not too long before I left for the Air Force in 1963.. So so saddened to hear of her passing. She always had a smile for eveyone. Prayers for ya'll .

Stephen Emmett - August 26, 2022 at 01:59 PM

CS

“ *Hello Family. I live out of state , & once in a while I check to see who has passed on. I was so sorry to see Betty left her family & friends. My dad & her dad was were working buddies, & we all used to have so much fun, Kitty Sue was my buddy. We all rode boars at the lake, went many places camping, had a ball. Loved the family. May God bless you sisters left.*

Carolyn Sain - November 11, 2022 at 03:44 AM



“ 2 files added to the album *Funeral Service*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - August 26, 2022 at 12:37 PM

FR

“ *Page, Melinda, Kenneth,*

So sorry for your loss of Betty. We worked at Burlington and also on GHS school projects as our children were in band and classes together. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Frank Robertson

Frank N. Robertson - August 25, 2022 at 08:51 PM

MF

“ *Marguerite B Finch lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Marguerite B Finch - August 25, 2022 at 08:31 PM

RJ

“ Ronald And Linda Johnston sent a virtual gift in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch



Ronald and Linda Johnston - August 25, 2022 at 07:05 PM

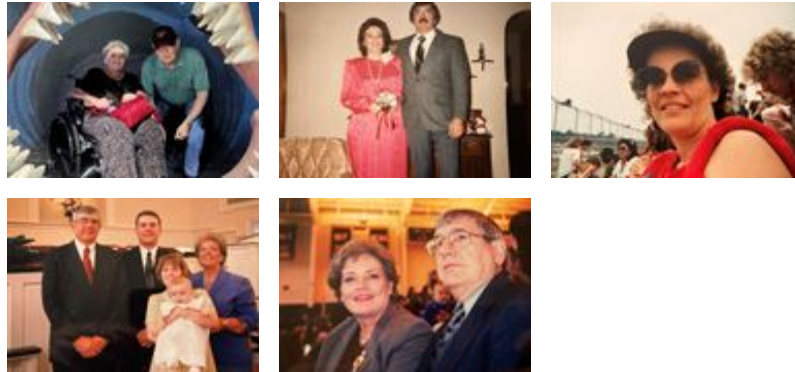
LD

“ I have known Betty many years. We went to St. John Church all of our childhood. Prayers for the family.

Linda Lewis Dalton - August 25, 2022 at 12:27 PM



“ 9 files added to the album Life Tributes



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - August 24, 2022 at 04:30 PM

R@

“ Betty and I worked together at Klopman for years. She was like a second mom to me as I was a single mom when I worked there. Always thoughtful and caring. I know the family will miss her and my prayers will be with you.

Ruth Ferrell @liberty.edu - August 23, 2022 at 02:53 PM



“ *Kristin Keesee lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Kristin Keesee - August 23, 2022 at 02:52 PM



“ *Melinda, so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. I remember her coming to our ball games. A very sweet lady. Prayers for the Finch family.*



Priscilla Nuckolds - August 23, 2022 at 02:51 PM



“ *73 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - August 23, 2022 at 01:44 PM

GG

“ So very sorry to hear this sad news. She was such a sweet person. You have my deepest sympathy.



Gwen Dawson Goggin - August 23, 2022 at 11:23 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Anthony Finch.



August 23, 2022 at 10:50 AM

RE

“ Betty was always a pleasure to be around. She will be missed.

Rhonda Epperson - August 23, 2022 at 10:06 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Anthony Finch.



August 23, 2022 at 09:48 AM

JM

“ Paige & Family. I am so sorry for your loss. It was so shocking to see Betty had passed. We just talked Friday. Betty & I crossed paths for years through family, Klopman and her banking years, making lots of memories. Prayers for you during this sad time.



Jo Ann Midkiff - August 23, 2022 at 09:22 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betty Jean Anthony Finch.



August 23, 2022 at 07:57 AM

-F

“ -Jayne Foster Fair purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Betty Jean Anthony Finch.



-Jayne Foster Fair - August 23, 2022 at 06:43 AM

BD

“ Bonnie Payne Dawson lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch



Bonnie Payne Dawson - August 22, 2022 at 11:14 PM

MS

“ *Martha Shelton lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Martha Shelton - August 22, 2022 at 10:47 PM

PP

“ *Page and family, I am so sorry to hear of Betty's passing. Betty and myself and a number of others, grew up together, living on Park Street. We played together and went to school together. My thought and prayers are with each one of the family in this time of sorrow.*



Pat Puckette - August 22, 2022 at 09:58 PM

ES

“ *Sorry to hear of Betty's passing. We were childhood friends. I know she will be missed by every one who knew her. The family is in my prayers!*

Etta Skinnell - August 22, 2022 at 09:04 PM

CS

“ *Page and Family, was so sorry to hear of your loss. I know she will be miss. By many who knew her. With heartfelt Sympathy and Prayers. Clara Smith and Family*



Clara S Smith - August 22, 2022 at 08:56 PM

GR

“ *Geneieve Rowland lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Geneieve Rowland - August 22, 2022 at 08:34 PM

MM

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Betty's death. She was a sweet lady. She will be greatly missed. Praying for her family and friends.*



Mary Moses-Hicks - August 22, 2022 at 07:09 PM

AK

“ *Alice krantz keesee*



Alice krantz keesee - August 22, 2022 at 07:08 PM

GW

“ *Sorry for your loss. Prayers*



Gwenda Willard - August 22, 2022 at 06:54 PM

LR

“ *Larry Roach lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Larry Roach - August 22, 2022 at 06:52 PM

JR

“ *JoAnne Rorer lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



JoAnne Rorer - August 22, 2022 at 06:13 PM

DR

“ *Darrell JoAnne Rorer lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch*



Darrell JoAnne Rorer - August 22, 2022 at 06:12 PM

PM

“ *Page and family, so sorry to hear about the passing of Betty. She was such a sweet and nice person, always had a smile. May God blanket you with His amazing peace that surpasses all understanding with His comfort, faithfulness and love. Deepest sympathy, Patti and Don Morton*



Patti Morton - August 22, 2022 at 05:27 PM

JF

“ Jeff And Judy Finch And Family lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch



Jeff and Judy Finch and family - August 22, 2022 at 05:22 PM

KW

“ Kathy Walker lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch



Kathy Walker - August 22, 2022 at 04:36 PM

TW

Just want to say I've been working for Betty Finch for last several years I will miss this lady she is a very kind sweet loving person love her smile we have laughed and cried she has told me a lot of things over the years just a sweet person to work for I will miss her my heart goes out to her husband, Page he is going to be lost without her but he has his family there strong family just want to let you know that I will Miss Betty such a nice person I will miss my talks we always had when I first got there to work I cleaned her house and we laughed and talked and she always gave me something to take home such a kind sweet lady I will just really Miss Betty my prayers go out to her husband and her family

Tracy wood - August 22, 2022 at 06:44 PM

ME

“ So sorry for your loss. You all will be in my thoughts & prayers at this time & as the days go by.



Mary Edmonds - August 22, 2022 at 04:05 PM

BG

“ So sorry to hear of Betty's passing. Just saw her Thursday. We went to high school together and worked at Central Fidelity/Wachovia together. Will surely miss her and pray for God's comfort and peace at this time for Page and the entire family. Betty Gillespie



Betty Gillespie - August 22, 2022 at 04:01 PM

AW

So sorry to hear of Betty's passing. We worked together at Burlington. She was always so very proud of her children and Page. Prayers for comfort and strength for all of her family. Annie Wilson

Annie S Wilson - August 22, 2022 at 10:06 PM

CH

“ Connie Payne Hall lit a candle in memory of Betty Jean Anthony Finch



Connie Payne Hall - August 22, 2022 at 03:59 PM



“ *Ralph Woods lit a candle in memory of Betty
Jean Anthony Finch*



Ralph Woods - August 22, 2022 at 03:54 PM



“ *Jimmy Marr lit a candle in memory of Betty
Jean Anthony Finch*



Jimmy marr - August 22, 2022 at 03:24 PM