



Bernice Byrd

December 15, 1927 - September 19, 2007

On September 19, 2007 Bernice, “Bunny” Burel Byrd left this world to be at home with the Lord. Mrs. Byrd was a native of Atlanta and the daughter of A. J. Burel and Lorena Hollis Burel. She was the second of four sisters. Bernice was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Charles W. “Bill” Byrd and her beloved son Keith Burel Byrd. She is survived by her son Charles W. Byrd, Jr., her granddaughter Aisling Adair Byrd, her daughter-in-law Pegeen M. Byrd, sisters Martha Courson and Claudia Rainwater, and a large and loving extended family. A pioneer in business, Mrs. Byrd founded Executarial Services in 1967. Over 27 years she acted as President of her company and built Executarial into a successful executive suite operation with 5 offices in the north Atlanta Area. Herself a well known business woman in Decatur, she generously supported the work of other women seeking to succeed in the business world. Mrs. Byrd retired in 1994. Always a leader in her church and community, Bernice and her husband Bill shared the directorship of the Young Married Couples Sunday School Department at First Baptist Church of Atlanta for over 20 years. She was an example of kindness and strength to the many lives she touched and walked every day with her Lord. Known for her hospitality, loving heart, wonderful humor and generosity of spirit, Bunny was an inspiration to everyone around her. She left this life as she lived it with courage and grace. Her loss is keenly felt by all who knew her.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

SEP **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Atlanta
4400 North Peachtree Road
Atlanta, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernice Byrd*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Our hearts are broken at the loss of our dear and loving neighbor Bunny. From the time we moved into the neighborhood, Bunny and her entire family welcomed us and made us feel like family. She was generous, funny, and beautiful inside and out. We will miss her terribly. We hope that the memories of her long and wonderful life will bring you all comfort and replace the deep sadness you are feeling now. We are here for you all. With love, Sharon and Bill Gibbs.##imported-begin##Sharon and Bill Gibbs##imported-end##*

September 25, 2007 at 02:03 PM



“ Charlie:

Our prayers are with you and the family as you say goodbye to your sweet mom. Bernice was one of my favorite people. She and Bill were my first Sunday School teachers when we moved to Atlanta, 11 years ago. They will ALWAYS hold a special place in our hearts. Unfortunately, we are out of town until Saturday for a meeting and thus will be unable to be at either the visitation or the funeral. This grieves us deeply. Be assured that we will be there in our thoughts and prayers. Our prayers will remain with you in the days ahead as you grieve, deal with all the details, and adjust to her absence and that empty chair. May you be covered by God's awesome grace during this difficult time. Our lives are better because of Bill & Bernice Byrd!

*With Love,
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September 20, 2007 at 10:49 AM



“ Charlie and family. Our hearts go out to you in this time of sorrow. We know personally, that there are no words to ease your pain. Please don't hesitate to let Sharon and I know if there is ANYTHING that we can do. We love you!##imported-begin##Bill & Sharon Gibbs##imported-end##

September 20, 2007 at 08:05 AM