

*Celebrating the Life of*



*Betty Ann Sutton*

Sunrise  
August 23, 1940

Sunset  
September 15, 2020

Sunday, September 27, 2020 - 2pm

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## *Obituary*

Our Queen, Mrs. Betty Ann Sutton was born on August 23, 1940 and raised in the town of Beckley, West Virginia. She is preceded by her beloved parents, Virginia Arilla Sorrell Bush "Ma Virgie" and Arnold Cicero Bush, Sr. "Daddy Kool". Her brothers are, Eldrege Alexander Sorrell "Skippy", Samuel Eugene Bush "Sam", Calvin Deleno Bush "Tabby", Richard Wayne Bush "Dickie" and Arnold Cicero Bush, Jr. "Fert"; and her only sister, Zanada Arnetta Bush Townes "Baby Sis/Red".

Betty attended Stratton High School where she met and would later marry her high school sweetheart, the late Archie Lee Sutton, Jr. Like all of her siblings, she moved to New York City to start and raise her family. Betty and Archie would give birth to two loving children, Sharon Renee Sutton and Archie Lee Sutton III, both residing in the Bronx.

Betty was sometimes called "Betty Boop". It was a fitting nickname, because she was always pleasant and sweet and well kept, with short hair. She worked as a secretary for sixteen years at the "Dunbar Apartments", and later worked for the Post Office where she retired, twenty-eight years later. She was a devoted wife who knew the value of being an independent woman. She always went out of her way to help family and friends in distress.

She was an accomplished bowler, playing in different state-wide tournaments. Betty would be boastful about playing in the top 3 of the tournament while being several months pregnant with her firstborn. She was a lover of music, especially the Blues. Betty could be found cutting a rug somewhere until the last record played. She was an extraordinary seamstress, cook and baker. Betty graduated from high school in 1957, and was an excellent mathematician and bookkeeper. She was a God-fearing woman. She actively supported many charities not just out of pocket as she would stand in the trenches and front lines of rallies and protests. She loved her family and friends unconditionally.

Betty was a poster woman for doing the right thing. She took pride in treating others with great care, being punctual and showing integrity. The most important thing to Betty was her family and she always went out of her way to make sure that they were loved and cared after. Betty was righteous and honorable!

Her family who are left to cherish her memories are: her children, Sharon Renee Sutton and Archie Lee Sutton III; three grandchildren, Corey Lee Sutton, Marquis Cameron Sutton and Taron Crouch Sutton; two great grandchildren, Kori Milan Sutton and Jaxson Gregory Lee Sutton; her nieces and nephews, Lynette V. Simpson, Stanley B. Townes and Leonard L. Townes, Jr.; great nieces and nephews, Jasmine C. Simpson, Whitney L. Simpson, Zari Binyamin, Shalise Townes, Johnathen Townes, Tiffany Burwell and Phillip Burwell; sisters-in-law, Hazel Yellock and Perscilla Clayborne.

# *Order of Service*

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## *Psalm 119: 1-8*

Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord. Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart. They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways. Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently. O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes! Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments. I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments. I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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