



## Betty Lou Mason

April 5, 1931 - October 4, 2019

Betty Lou Mason, of New Braunfels, Texas passed away on Friday, October 4, 2019 at the Colonial Manor Care Center at the age of 88. Betty Lou was born in Quaker, Missouri on April 5, 1931 to William "Corbet" and Ethel (Boyer) Mason.

Betty Lou was a true artist with many talents. Not only did she have a beautiful voice, she was a songwriter and self-taught musician playing the guitar, keyboard, harmonica, and tambourine. It was always her dream to be a country music performer, but this dream did not come to be since she always put her family first. However, she did not let this discourage her. She shared her musical gifts playing for her family, friends, during church services, and recitals in the community, she even recorded songs with her sister. Beyond her musical capabilities, Betty Lou also shared her artistic capabilities by re-purposing common items found in thrift shops and garage sales, transforming them into works of art, utilizing her skills as a seamstress, painter, and woodworker. She could see beauty in everything around her.

Betty Lou was a devoted mother who raised four children who were her pride and joy. She enjoyed traveling across country to stay close to her family. Her love and compassion were beyond measure, always willing to share what she had with everyone. She exuded beauty and grace as a loving and devoted mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, and will be greatly missed and loved by all.

Betty Lou Mason is survived by her children, Roger Dale Cavender and partner, Arleen Herbert, of Houston, TX, and Belinda Bezpalko and husband Jerry, of Floresville, TX; grandchildren, Michelle Vega (Don), Kimberly Jones (Mike), Johnnie-Belinda Guerrero (John), Stephanie Cavender-Pax (Marcus), and Michael R. Cavender JR; great-grandchildren, Justin Carter, Brody Vega, Jarrett Vega, Annalee Dooley, Robert Dooley, and Daniel Guerrero; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. In addition to her parents Corbet and Ethel Mason, Betty was preceded in death by 9 siblings, and her son, Michael Ray Cavender, and daughter Melinda Fay Cavender.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 1:00PM at the Salem

Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary with Lindell Decker officiating. Internment will be in the Antioch Cemetery in Potosi, Missouri. A visitation for family and friends will be held at the Chapel on Friday, October 11, 2019 from 6-8PM.

# Cemetery

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## Antioch Cemetery

Potosi, MO, 63664

# Events

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**OCT 11** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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James & Gahr Mortuary - Salem  
103 West Center, Salem, MO, US, 65560

**OCT 12** **Service** 01:00PM

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# Comments

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Betty Lou Mason.



October 11, 2019 at 02:15 PM

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“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Lou Mason.



October 10, 2019 at 09:43 PM

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“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Lou Mason.



October 09, 2019 at 05:29 PM

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**Fina Halbrook** - October 08, 2019 at 08:16 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album Dennis Halbrook



**Fina Halbrook** - October 08, 2019 at 08:11 PM

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“ My Grandmother was an amazing person. She and I spent alot of time together. We took multiple road trips together, she was game for anything. She would say "Well alright".

On one trip that stands out we went to Missouri to visit her sisters, my Aunt Gladys and Aunt Joyce. Aunt Gladys sat at the piano, and the three of them started singing, which was beautiful. Then they got to giggling and laughing. They started teasing each other and reminiscing. It was wonderful to witness. She loved playing her guitar and singing. I can hear her singing "Country Roads" or Running Bear and Little Dove".

We went to church every Sunday and Wednesday and after she would cook. When I didn't want to go she insisted on going and vice versa so we rarely missed a day. We kept each other in check. She lived the word, she was childlike at heart, she gave in every way she could. She was so encouraging and loving.

She was whiffleball in the park, craft projects,singing and laughing at the top of our lungs and down home cooking.

I love and miss her dearly.

**Michelle Vega** - October 08, 2019 at 07:47 PM