



# Betty Cosgrove

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**M**s. Betty Faye Cosgrove, daughter of the late James Howard Bartee and Lydia Heflin Bartee passed away on February 15th 2016. Born in Clarksville Tennessee July 19th, 1939, she had resided in Dallas Texas most of her adult life. She was preceded in death by her first husband Walter Charles Strassheim Junior, son, Walter Charles Strassheim III (Trey) grandson Justin Daniel Wiener: brother, Ray Bartee, sisters, Mary Omega Bartee Lillian Stockdale and Joyce Biagi. She is survived by former husband John Barry Cosgrove of San Antonio, Texas, son Jonathan Ward Cosgrove, wife Alexis also of San Antonio Texas and daughter Hope Strassheim Wiener of Denver, Colorado. Other Survivors include five grandchildren: Eric and Greg Wiener: Brittney, Eric and Nathan Cosgrove: two siblings: brother, Lacy Howard Bartee (C.W.O., U.S.N. Retired) wife Ava in Evans Georgia and sister Dorothy Bartee Johnson (husband Jack) from Nashville, Tennessee. Ms. Cosgrove was a leader in the industry as she was the successful owner and manager of Iris Catering Company which served the greater Dallas area for many years. After selling this successful business, she was employed as a free – lance representative for several major New York based corporations. Since 1973 Ms. Cosgrove has been a very active member of the Unity Church of Dallas. Ms. Cosgrove also was very involved with the Rosicrucian Order of Dallas and studied under Father Taliaffro. A person of many talents and interests: she was an avid gardener and took great pride in the fact that her front and backyard were the show place of her neighborhood. She was instrumental in the beautification of flowers along Plano Road in Garland, Texas. Ms. Cosgrove was an avid Numerologist. She was a member of several organizations; being a part of Toastmasters brought her great pleasure. She traveled extensively toured Europe several times and numerous other countries. Her favorite trip was to Peru, Columbia, Belize, the Galapagos Islands and the Panama Canal. Ms. Cosgrove's words of wisdom were to work less and travel the world more. Her two four legged



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family members, Pippa and Fannie adored her and were greatly loved in return. Though we mourn her passing, we are grateful for her life. No memorial service as per Mom's request. In Lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials made in her honor be made to City of Richardson Animal Services Division (local human society) – Mom would visit often to pet all the kitties, this gave her great joy. Occasionally she managed to leave without a new four legged family member. They may be contacted at 972 – 744 – 4480 and [www.cor.net](http://www.cor.net)



## Tribute Wall

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**Paul Jesko** lit a candle in honor of Betty.

Betty, I never forgot what you did for me when I lived with you. When you supported me before I went to job corp. You were always reticent and real. Thank you for the time you gave me. -Paul



June 20 at 5:11 AM



**Jon Cosgrove** posted:

Happy Birthday Momma!

July 20 at 11:04 AM



**Laurie Guthrie** posted:

Thank you Betty, for your thoughtful words and praise. Thank you for taking time to share an important message that I needed to hear. Thank you for including James and I when you "invented" a reason to gather people together. One such memory, was your backyard gathering after Tolly passed. I remember the tables under the tall trees, the BBQ cooker on a trailer in the front drive, above all, I remember the conversations that reflected a " kinship in time", of belonging to one another. I will never forget your undeterred spirit, creativity and willingness to do the impossible, when few stepped up to the plate. True to your spiritual quest, I surmise you are now free to take a more subtle form of service and fraternity. Love, Light, Peace, as you journey forth.  
L.Guthrie

February 24 at 3:26 PM



**Charles L Shipp** posted:

Betty and I really got a chance to know each other during my tenure as Master of the Rosicrucian Triangle Lodge in 2014-2015. She became one of my closest confidants during this time. I owe any success and triumphs to her light and energy. She more than anyone was able to conceptual and make happen the Father Taliaferro event. Her spirit and light truly lives on...I AM personally proud to having known her. In Love, Charles L Shipp

February 23 at 4:21 PM



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DA

**Donna Ashley** posted:

Betty, just a few days ago, before I knew you had gone on ahead of us, I was reminiscing about the day we made angels at the Lodge – must have been early '90s – and you brought a wealth of beautiful trimmings – beautifully pearled pins, laces, – just everything imaginable to adorn our angels! Now, you're with our angels in Heaven – and I expect to see that big smile and pretty face of yours beside Fr. T and our other dear ones before too long! Peace Profound to you, Betty – your soror,  
Donna Ashley

February 23 at 2:16 PM

CH

**Cynthia Heyn** posted:

Betty was so fun and fascinating to listen to. She was a very unique and special person and will be sorely missed by many people. I will miss seeing her every Sunday surrounded by her fans at Unity of Dallas. Godspeed Betty! I know you are on to the next grand adventure. My thoughts and prayers to Hope, Jonathan and the rest of her beloved family.

February 23 at 10:21 AM

AC

**Anne Collins** posted:

Dearest Betty is and was one in a million. Boundless love, affection, attention to detail and greatest heart for service to many, especially the Rosicrucian Order and Father Taliaferro. She will always be felt and will continue in the Greater Service to the Masters. God speed dear Betty on your next mission.

February 23 at 9:55 AM

JG

**James Guthrie** posted:

"And the Master said, 'Well done thou good and faithful servant. Enter now into the joy of the Lord.'" Thanks for you life Betty, as you have affected many people in a positive, redemptive manner. The ripple effect of your service will continue indefinitely. James Guthrie

February 23 at 8:51 AM

AS

**Anne Sadovsky** posted:

We at Unity of Dallas will miss Betty. We said our farewells yesterday...she always chose a round table for coffee, and was surrounded by her friends. We all gathered and sent her love.

February 22 at 9:57 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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