



Beverly Ann Purpura

June 12, 2015

Beverly Ann Purpura, 80, passed June 12th, 2015 in the presence of her adoring family. Beverly was preceded in death by her husband James Arthur Purpura, mother Elizabeth Taylor-Perry, her father Edward Perry and her three brothers Edward, Donald, and Jerry. She is survived by her daughters Jolene Kelly and Karen Purpura, and her son Joseph James “JJ” and his wife Carol. Other family members include Grandchildren Chris and Erin Kelly, Jeff, Andy, and his wife Angel Marr. Also great grandchildren Kenley Marr and Damian Marr. She is also survived by, nieces, nephews and a host of long-time friends.

Beverly was born April 29, 1935 in Malone, NY. She spent the majority of her youth in Watertown, NY where she was married to James Arthur Purpura at St. Anthony’s Catholic Church on October 30, 1954. They relocated to Gainesville in 1955 so her husband, James, could attend the University of Florida’s College of Engineering. She has remained an avid Gator fan for over 50 years.

She was a doting and selfless daughter, mother, sister, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She was the central force behind her family and extended family staying connected over the years with “Spaghetti Sunday” every week. She was an avid bridge player with her closest friends Ruth, Evelyn, and Louise. She enjoyed many sports such as tennis and golf and

also loved to paint.

Celebration of Life for Beverly Purpura will be Thursday, June 18th at 3pm. at Forest Meadows Mausoleum Chapel, 4100 NW 39th Avenue, Gainesville near the intersection at 43rd St. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider donations to St Jude Children's Research Hospital
<https://www.stjude.org>.

Tribute Wall

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“ JJ, I am so sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to you and your family. Take peace in that your mother has gone to rest and celebrate the fond memories of the past.

Christy Glass - September 11, 2023 at 04:16 PM

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“ What a beautiful tribute to the obituary is to Bev. I know she will be missed but her family will treasure such wonderful memories.

Erma Tiffany - September 11, 2023 at 04:16 PM

PJ

“ JJ
So sorry about the loss of your mom. I know she was proud of the wonderful person & son you became. My thought & prayers are with you and your family at this time.

Patricia Johnson - September 11, 2023 at 04:15 PM

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“ Jolene, Karen & JJ, I know what you are going through since I lost my mother one year ago on the 21st of this month. I have grown to love your family over the years (especially Ms. Beverly). Now my heart is aching all over again & I feel like I have lost my mom a second time. Keep the memories forever because that is all we have now. Love you all

Deb Lynn - September 11, 2023 at 04:15 PM