



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
*BETTY SUE BAKER*



MAY 20, 1921 ~ JULY 30, 2020



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## Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road  
And the sun has set for me  
I want no rites in a  
gloom-filled room  
Why cry for a soul set free?  
Miss me a little-but not too long  
And not with your head bowed low  
Remember the love that  
we once shared  
Miss me-but let me go  
For this is a journey that  
we all must take  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the Master's plan  
A step on the road to home  
When you are lonely and  
sick of heart  
Go to the friends we know  
And bury your sorrows in  
doing good deeds  
Miss me but let me go.

Betty Sue Baker, 99, of Little Rock earned her well-deserved angel wings on Thursday, July 30, 2020. She was born Friday, May 20, 1921 in Little Rock, Arkansas to the late H.K and Lila Dalton Thatcher. In addition to her parents, Betty was preceded in death by her husband, Gerard "Jerry" Baker; children, Katherine Baker and Richard Baker; brothers H.K. Thatcher II and Jean Dalton Thatcher.

After 99 years of caring for her 11 children, parents and countless friends, it is now her time to rejoice with those that have gone before her! Anyone that has had the pleasure to know Betty Sue knows that she had a wicked sense of humor and did not mince words. She said what she thought and meant what she said.

Mother was an amazingly faithful Catholic. She had a very strong faith and was happy to share it with everyone. She taught us by example to care for the sick and elderly by taking care of fellow parishioners, friends and extended family members.

She was completely committed to her children and was a mother to many, many others. Everyone who entered our house was accepted and loved as one of her own.

We will all miss Mother but are grateful knowing she is at peace and watching down on us.

Go Cardinals!

Survivors include her children, Michael (Giny) Baker of Illinois, Elizabeth Baker (Vic Polizos) of California, Mary Baker of Little Rock, Raymond (Brenda) Baker of Little Rock, Thomas (Debbie) Baker of Little Rock, Robert Baker of North Carolina, Teresa (Nick) Baker of Little Rock, John (Pam) Baker of Minnesota, Karolyn (Roger) Thompson of Little Rock and son-in-law Dr. Gene Shelby of Hot Springs. Other survivors include an abundance of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Memorials in Betty's memory may be made to the Monsignor Allen Trust and Development fund at [www.matdf.org](http://www.matdf.org) or to the Carmelite Nuns of Little Rock, 7201 W. 32nd Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72204. Please adhere to all COVID-19 restrictions.