



Betsy Rice

July 24, 1957 - October 8, 2018

Betsy Rice, 61, of Travelers Rest, passed away Monday October 8, 2018 at her home.

Born in Delaware, and raised in Harlow, NC, she was a daughter of Joel Henry and Thelma Ball Davis. She was employed for 32 years in the information technology field with Michelin. She received her Bachelor's Degree in piano from the University of North Carolina and a Master's in piano from Southern Methodist University. She was an active member of West Gant First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years: Dale Rice; daughters: Melanie Rice, Irina Rice; sister: Janet Travis(Bill); sister-in-law: Debbie Bishop(Ray); brother-in-law: Doug Rice(Nancy); and many loving nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends Friday afternoon from 1pm until 2pm at The Howze Mortuary.

Funeral services will be Friday afternoon at 2pm at The Howze Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be private.

Memorials may be made to Cross Roads Group Home 9522 Old White Horse Rd. Greenville, SC 29617

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Memorial Park formerly Grand View Memorial Gardens

7 Duncan Rd.
Travelers Rest, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369
Travelers Rest, SC

Service

OCT **12.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CW

“ I just recently heard the sad news about Betsy. We first met at Michelin in 1986 and were good friends throughout our careers. I retired in 2014 but consider Betsy one of my dearest coworkers. My thoughts are with her family.

Calvin Waters - October 24, 2018 at 09:26 PM

C(

“ I got to know Betsy in the past two years. In that time, she left an indelible mark in my life. I enjoyed working with her and she was always ready to help. I got to know her as a loving and caring mother, wife and friend. I will miss her dearly but I know that her family will miss her more. Greatness is not measured by how much we live on earth but by how many lives we touched while we are here. Betsy touched so many lives in very positive way. So I pray that God will repose her soul and give her family to bear the loss knowing that she is in a better place.



- Charles Eke

Charles Eke (Co-Worker) - October 23, 2018 at 02:44 PM

SH

“ So sad to hear Betsy's passing away! Betsy was so much fun and friendly to work with. She was very dedicated at work, willing to go extra miles if that's what it takes to solve IT problems. Betsy, you will be missed so much by so many!

Shaw

shaw - October 12, 2018 at 01:08 PM

RP

“ I have had the pleasure of knowing Betsy during her time in the Materials Department at MARC. She always had a smile and a pleasing personality for everyone, and was always willing and eager to help us quickly with our IT problems. One of my most fond memories of Betsy was several years ago when she and I had an assignment which had to be done quickly. It was Wed before Thanksgiving, and she and I started working and actually worked very late hours that night. It could have been unpleasant, but Betsy made it fun and the time passed quickly. Since then I have gotten to know Betsy, and have appreciated very much her friendship. She loved her family, and she was very proud of her daughters. She spoke of you very often with much love and adoration. I will miss Betsy so much; we all will miss Betsy. Such a huge loss for the Michelin family not only to her great devotion to her job, but also due to her great friendship to all of us. I will never forget the board on her door which always said, "Good morning Sunshine." And that was Betsy's personality, always looking on the bright side of everything. We should aspire to be more like Betsy.



Rest in peace, Betsy, as I continue to keep each of your family in my thoughts and prayers.

*Rosa Pruitt
Michelin MAT/T*

Rosa Pruitt - October 11, 2018 at 06:16 PM

DP

“ Dale and girls, I am so sorry for you loss. You may remember that Betsy and I were in music classes together at UNC. She was a fine pianist and musician. I remember hearing her play several times in Hill Hall. I am so glad that I got to see you, Betsy, over the past 10 to 15 years. Who would have dreamed that you, Susie, Kym, and I would be living so close together, especially since you all are not native South Carolinians.

Dale and girls, I pray that the joy of Christ's resurrection will bring peace of mind and comfort to you all in this difficult time. May God bless you richly. I am sure that Betsy is looking down on you all with so much love and pride.

Betsy, my wife Beth always enjoyed the conversations that you and she shared. She and I, as you knew, have an adopted child, too.

That made such a good common bond between the two of you.

David Phillips, Class of 1979, UNC-Chapel Hill, and Beth Phillips

David Phillips - October 11, 2018 at 03:41 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.



October 11, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.



October 11, 2018 at 02:16 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.*



October 11, 2018 at 12:20 PM



“ *Betsy was a wonderful person, always available to help and solve problems for her Michelin colleagues. I was a French expat in Greenville a few years ago, and Betsy made my e-life really easier there. I will never forget her kindness.*

All French Michelin employees here in Clermont-Ferrand who had a chance to work with Betsy are today very sad.

With our deepest and heartfelt condolences

Christian Priou, Michelin France

Christian Priou - October 11, 2018 at 11:39 AM



“ *I had the pleasure to work with Betsy while we were both in Michelin Audit, and I was always glad to exchange news with her when I was away from my office in Clermont-Ferrand to Greenville. We shared both the experience of adoption and she was so proud to talk about her daughters. I really appreciated her very open and charming personality.*

I share your grief and shall pray specially for her and for her family in the mass which I am going to attend this evening.

Guy Tinnes

Guy Tinnes - October 11, 2018 at 10:51 AM

TW

“ *Thierry Wersinger purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Betsy Rice.*



Thierry Wersinger - October 11, 2018 at 09:54 AM

FF

“ *From Michael, Lynn and Charlie Freeman purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Betsy Rice.*



From Michael, Lynn and Charlie Freeman - October 11, 2018 at 08:15 AM

LW

“ *I have spent a lot of time with Betsy these last four years. We would often end up chatting in her office about life, work, faith, and family. She told me all about how she met Dale and their life and adventures together. She giggled as she told me about the Michelin ladies "fixing them up" after they were already secretly dating. Her face glowed with pride for Melanie, Ira, and Maria every time she talked about them. She loves you girls so much. She is so proud of each of you. She talked at length about the girls from the group home and how much she cared for them and their futures. She loved her work and solving problems, but what she loved most was the people and making a difference in their lives. It was like she adopted all of us. I am blessed to have had her in my life. I have learned so much from her. She is a treasure and will be greatly missed by all.*

Leslie Wilson - October 10, 2018 at 04:56 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.*



October 10, 2018 at 03:50 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.*



October 10, 2018 at 03:41 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.*



October 10, 2018 at 12:48 PM



“ *Dale,
Sid and I were so sorry to hear about Betsy. May God put his loving arms around you and the girls during this difficult time. You are in our thoughts and prayers,*

Sid and Joyce Tuck

sid and joyce tuck - October 10, 2018 at 12:38 PM

HB

“ *Several years ago, Betsy and I were in Paris. We were coming back from Clermont Ferrand on a trip with Michelin. Betsy and I went into Paris for the evening and we took a boat ride on the Seine river. We enjoyed the water and seeing the bridges and the view of the Eiffel Tower. Betsy was my tour guide as she knew more French than I did and she was familiar with the sites.*

She told me all about Melanie and Irina. We shared pictures of our children with each other. She was so proud of her girls and of Dale. She had much love in her heart and she shared her love with others.

She will truly be missed.

Helen Bailey

Helen Bailey - October 10, 2018 at 09:51 AM

JM

“ *Dale and family,*

I am so sorry for your loss. You have my deepest sympathy. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Jinny Moran

Jinny Moran - October 10, 2018 at 09:00 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.*



October 10, 2018 at 07:26 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsy Rice.*



October 09, 2018 at 09:27 PM



“ *Diane White Youngblood lit a candle in memory of Betsy Rice*



Diane White Youngblood - October 09, 2018 at 09:04 PM



“ *Dale, daughters, and family, our prayers and thoughts are with you . I will miss Betsy . She was a wonderful neighbor and friend. But God has a wonderful Angel now .*

Huetta D. Jackson & Mike - October 09, 2018 at 08:45 PM



“ Dale, Wendy and I are so sorry for your loss. We are praying for you and the girls.

Timothy Nanney - October 09, 2018 at 07:08 PM



“ Henry Kingen purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Betsy Rice.



Henry Kingen - October 09, 2018 at 04:42 PM



“ Judy Lewis lit a candle in memory of Betsy Rice



Judy Lewis - October 09, 2018 at 03:46 PM