



## Betty Jane "BJ" Everts

July 29, 1939 - September 11, 2023

Betty Jane Everts (BJ) passed away at home on September 11th, at the age of 84. She lived a long and happy life growing up in Gansevoort, NY, the daughter of Joseph and Anna Mihaly. She married her ex-husband Bob and had four children (in four years) while living in New York City. The family eventually settled in Miami, where she earned a Masters Degree in Education and taught 3rd grade for many years while at the same time raising a family.

BJ retired from teaching and moved to Sarasota, where she was extremely active in the community, volunteering for many years at the Habitat for Humanity Store and Fruitville Public Library. She was recognized for her service and awarded the Sarasota County Volunteer of the Year Award. She had a very active social life, with long-time partner Frank visiting the Eagles Club and local restaurants almost every night.

BJ will be missed by her children Danny, Fred, and wife Amanda, Debbie, and Valerie, and grandchildren Renee and Charlotte, whose lives she played a very large part in. Renee and Charlotte loved cooking, baking, playing dress up, and spending holidays and special occasions with their "Granna".

Along with her predeceased parents and brother Joey, BJ was loved by brother Michael, his wife Debbie, and cousin Marie, along with many nieces and nephews.

There will be a Celebration of BJ on Saturday, November 4, 2023 from 4 to 6 pm at the American Legion, 5201 Richardson Road, Sarasota, Florida.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

NOV 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

American Legion  
5201 Richardson Road  
Sarasota, FL

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Tracie Collum lit a candle in memory of Betty Jane "BJ" Everts*



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**Tracie Collum** - September 27, 2023 at 10:51 AM

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“ *"Sanctum" Beulah B. Malkin*

*I built a tiny garden  
In a corner of my heart.  
I kept it just for lovely things  
And bade all else depart.*

*And ever was their music,  
And flowers blossomed fair;  
And never was it perfect  
Until you entered there.*

*BJ, Thank you for the laughs, the spunky attitude and most of all  
your Beautiful Smile!!  
Love, Tracie*

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**Tracie Collum** - September 27, 2023 at 10:50 AM