



Elizabeth Louise Gambrill Bunn

November 8, 1937 - October 13, 2017

Elizabeth Louise Gambrill Bunn of Baltimore, Maryland, died in the morning of October 13, 2017 at age 79 due to complications from post-polio and a series of strokes.

Born on November 1937 to Helen Louise and Nathaniel Gambrill, Betty, as she was affectionately called by those who knew and loved her, was a person of exceptional tenacity and perseverance. Afflicted with polio at the tender age of two, she survived the treatment of the disease, and matured to develop a rich life despite her infirmity.

In her early years she sang and took piano lessons. She could be heard playing Beethoven's "Für Elise" on the piano on many occasions. Elizabeth would inspire audiences with her rich contralto voice as she performed at her alma mater, Saint Francis High School and other community events in the early 1950s. At age 19, she married jazz trombonist and entrepreneur, Robert Archie Bunn. From their union were born three children, Robert Anthony Bunn, David Alan Bunn and Gabrielle Bunn-Godman. She would proceed to imbue them with a love of music and a spirit of achievement.

Once all her kids were in school, Betty returned to school herself, earning a Bachelor's degree from Morgan State University. While working as a social analyst at Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Towson, she went on to earn a Master's

degree in Sociology from Coppin State College in Baltimore. During this period, with her kids in their teens, her health began to decline as she endured the progressive complications of post-polio syndrome.

Confined to a bed from about the age of fifty, she nevertheless continued to inspire her children (and countless others) to achieve. Betty would go through great pains to be present on occasions that recognized milestones in her children's careers, as each would go on to have direct worldwide impact in their various endeavors. Her children are renowned musical artists in their own rights who have worked with The Miracles, Sun Ra, Robert Flack, Chaka Khan, The Black Men of Broadway at Carnegie Hall, Ain't Misbehavin', and Michael Buble. Finally Elizabeth Bunn was a woman of uncommon Christian faith. Throughout her many trials and tribulation, she was never heard to curse God. Instead, might she be remembered for her frequent utterance of the phrase "God is good!" May she forever rest in the peace of That Goodness.

Betty leaves to mourn her, sons Robert "Tony" Bunn and David Bunn, daughter Gabrielle Goodman, granddaughter Nikki de Neergaard-Bunn (from Denmark), stepson Robert "Jeff" Bunn, daughter-in-law Deborah Bunn, brother Michael Gambrill, sister-in-law Carol Gambrill, niece Erica Gambrill (and her sons), nephews Raymond Gambrill and Michael Gambrill, and a host of cousins, relatives and friends who were both inspired by and/or inspiring to her.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **23**. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

OCT **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

OCT **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

New All Saints Church
4408 Liberty Heights Ave.

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Elizabeth Louise Gambrill Bunn*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Louise Gambrill Bunn.*



October 23, 2017 at 08:18 PM



“ *Byron M Tolliver lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth Louise Gambrill Bunn*



Byron M Tolliver - October 21, 2017 at 01:50 AM



*To The Bunn Family
Words can not express the sorrow I am feeling for you at this time. Please accept my deepest sorrow at this time and hour of your loss
.Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*

Love Byron M Tolliver .. Eberbach Germany

Byron M Tolliver - October 21, 2017 at 01:58 AM

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“ *Kenneth and Debra Bunn purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth Louise Gambrill Bunn.*



Kenneth and Debra Bunn - October 20, 2017 at 11:57 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - October 16, 2017 at 06:00 PM