



## Betty Genkinger

October 17, 1927 - December 8, 2020

Betty Lou Finch Genkinger, age 93, passed away from a Covid-related illness on December 8, 2020. The daughter of Carrie and Fred Finch of New Castle, Pennsylvania, she attended New Castle High School and Westminster College.

She married husband David on October 2, 1954 and moved with him first to Sheffield Lake, Ohio and later to St Louis, MO. In 1972, after the family moved to Germantown, Tennessee, Betty went to work for the City of Germantown, a job she held for more than 20 years. After the passing of her husband, Dave, in 1996 Betty returned to work at the Memphis Hearing and Balance Center, a job she held until she was 84 years old. Betty was the loving and devoted mother of two sons: Jeff of Lexington, KY and Scott of Los Angeles, CA; one beloved grandson, Jason, his wife Megan; and three adored great-grandchildren, Aspen, Houston, and Paxton. She also leaves behind many wonderful and caring friends. She was an avid bridge player and will be remembered for her effervescent smile, infectious laugh, and loving heart. A Celebration of Life will be planned for the spring. In lieu of flowers, Betty's family requests donations to Feeding America ([feedingamerica.org](https://feedingamerica.org)), an organization that feeds hungry people affected by the pandemic.

# Cemetery

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## **Memorial Park Cemetery**

5668 Poplar Avenue

Memphis, TN, 38119

# Comments

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“ To Jeff & Scott, Losing your mother is one of the most emotional things that you will ever go through. You may know my sister, Mary Lou Beilstein-Roth from G-town High. I got to know your mother when I worked at the Saddle Creek Rite-Aid. She was always so upbeat and cheerful. I don't know how it came up, but she found out that "Desperate Housewives" was my favorite TV show. We always talked about what was going on, and made predictions about what the next show would bring. I knew the show was going off the air after a long run, but I didn't know she was there for the wrap party. Imagine my surprise when she showed up with a gift for me. I had no idea what it might be, so know it brought tears to my eyes when I opened it up and saw what she had brought. It was a picture of all the "housewives", autographed by all, and framed. Talk about amazing! It has a place of honor in our house. Visitors would always ask about it. Shortly after that, I got sick and had to quit working in the Pharmacy, without thinking to write down her Name and Phone#.to call or send her a thank-you note. So, I never saw her again. But she really touched me, and I have a wonderful remembrance of her. She was so proud of both of you, and I just wanted to let you know. I lost my Mom last year, and it was both devastating and happy at the same time. She had Alzheimer's for the last 6 years of her life. I hope that didn't happen to you guys. Anyway, your Mom was an amazing woman, and I will always remember her with great fondness. With love, Fred Beilstein.

**Fred Beilstein** - December 14, 2020 at 07:57 PM



“ Forgive me, but I'm only now seeing your beautiful note. Thank you so so much for the kind words and I'm also sorry for your loss. Yes, the mother/son bond is a special one and I miss my sweet mom so much. Take care, Scott

**SCOTT GENKINGER** - July 02, 2021 at 05:14 PM