



## Betty King McCreary

December 30, 1933 - June 6, 2012

Betty Jane King McCreary – Age 78, Died on June 6, 2012 at the Dogwood Forest Assisted Living Facility in Marietta, GA. Funeral Services will be held at 2 PM on Sunday, June 10, 2012 at Mayes-Ward-Dobbins Funeral Home, 180 Church Street, Marietta with Interment at Kennesaw Memorial Park in Marietta, immediately following. The Reverend Larry Haron will be officiating. Visitation with family members will also be at Mayes-Ward-Dobbins on Saturday, June 9, 2012 from 6-8 PM.

Mrs. McCreary, is survived by her Son, Michael A. McCreary and his wife Lisa; a Daughter Marilyn Davenport and her husband Eddie; grandchildren Aaron McCreary and his wife Kim, Ryan Davenport, Bess McCreary and Colleen McCreary; great-grandchildren Katelyn & Lucas McCreary; her brothers Leon King and his wife Betty and Jerry King and his wife Gloria and Sister in Law, Carol Ann King; and, numerous nieces and nephews. Her precious husband Robert A. McCreary, Jr., as well as her loving parents, Mr. & Mrs. B.B. King and brothers Donald and Eugene King preceded her in death.

Mrs. McCreary was a proud native of Cobb County and graduated from Marietta High School in 1952. She met her husband of 53 years, Robert, who was stationed at Dobbins AFB, at a church social and they were later married at Maple Ave Methodist Church in Marietta in 1952.

Mrs. McCreary studied business classes in high school and was first employed at WP Stephens Lumber Company. In 1960, she joined her father, brothers and husband in the family real estate business, Jackson & King on Roswell Street in Marietta, as a loan processor, administrator and corporate secretary. She later became part owner and was truly ahead of her time as a small business woman in that era.

Mrs. McCreary founded McCreary Realty Management with her husband and both children in 1990. As the owner of the firm, she led the family business with a steady, guiding hand and retired to be with Robert in 2000.

Mrs. McCreary was a 39 year member of Roswell Street Baptist Church in Marietta where she was active in Sunday School and supported Robert in his time as a Trustee. She also attended Campmeeting at the Marietta Methodist Campground her entire life, where she helped run the King's Tent with her Mother for many, many years.

Mrs. McCreary was a devoted and loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, mother-in-law,

grandmother and great-grandmother. Family was the most important part of her life. As a daughter, she was the primary force in her elder parents care and loved spending time with them. As a sister, she adored her 4 brothers. When the youngest brothers Gene & Jerry came along, they were her “real life” dolls with whom she played. As a wife, she was proud to have the love of her life at her side and they did everything together including working in the family businesses side-by-side for almost 40 years. They loved traveling together and especially trips to her beloved Smoky Mountains. As a mother, no child could ask for better. She sacrificed and would do without so that her children could have not only their needs met, but take advantage of opportunities she was unable to have as a child including band, chorus, colleges, trips, camps and weddings. As a mother-in-law, she was accepting of her children’s mates and was always happy to see them and spend time with them. As a grandmother, she was doting to a fault and enjoyed having them spend the night and travel with her and Robert. She never missed a school play, band & choral concerts, baseball & soccer games, recitals, etc. If her grandchildren were involved she was there! As a great-grandmother, nothing made her happier than to see, visit with and talk about her “babies”.

Family ... it was her life, her concerns and her passion. Everything she did had a connection to either providing for or being a part of her family, all with her partner, her one true love, Robert.

Mrs. McCreary was diagnosed with Parkinson’s Disease over 20 years ago, but she refused to let it define her or limit her.

In lieu of flowers, Mrs. McCreary asks that you give instead to the Parkinson’s Disease Foundation ([www.pdf.org](http://www.pdf.org)), in the hopes that future generations will be spared.

# Cemetery

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## **Kennesaw Memorial Park Cemetery**

1306 Whitlock Avenue NE

Marietta, GA, 30064

# Comments

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Mrs. McCreary.  
Victoria Crossing Homeowners



**Beverly Frost, Secretary for VCR HOA** - June 14, 2012 at 10:03 AM

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“ Miss Betty, your friends at Roswell Street Baptist Church are going to miss you. I visited Miss Betty every couple of months, bringing her little gifts, candies and a church quarterly. Mike, I know she is in a better place and with her husband now. God bless your dear family. I'm glad I had the pleasure to know both of them.  
Mary Bannister, Marietta, GA

**Mary Bannister** - June 07, 2012 at 08:29 PM