



## Elizabeth "Betty" Whitmore

November 19, 1931 - August 18, 2024

Elizabeth Ann (Betty) Whitmore, age 92 of Berlin, was called to the Lord on Sunday, August 18, 2024.

She was born on November 19, 1931, the eldest child of Clemens and Laura (Nowicki) Drover.

Betty was a well-known local seamstress in the Berlin community for many years, having worked at Kolpin's and Custom Coat until she and her late husband, Donald Whitmore, started their antique business. She enjoyed antiques and meeting people through their business and at auctions. She was well known for refinishing furniture, caning and rushing chairs, but most of all, she was known for making teddy bears out of almost anything people would bring to her. Betty quickly became known as "the Teddy Bear Lady - Betty's Bears". Every year she looked forward to the Green Lake Chili Cook Off where her bears were auctioned off for charity which brought her great joy. Many of the bears she made were sent all over the United States for gifts and resale. She enjoyed gardening, crafting and making her bears until the end of her life.

Betty is survived by her four children, Rose Quimby of Coloma, Denise (Dennis) Steifner, of Ripon, Keith Kanneman, of Berlin, and Brenda (Marc) Lind of Chugiak, Alaska; 7 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren, as well as her sister Mary (Jim) Kerr, Helen (Don) Piekarski and Cecile Rucks; other relatives and friends.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Donald Whitmore, son, Kenneth Kanneman; 6 brothers, Dennis, Paul, Ellison, Fredrick, Jerome, Joseph; 2 sisters, Barbara Thull and Linda Lewellyn.

Family and friends may visit with the family and pay their respects to Betty on Wednesday August 28, 2024 from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Wiecki-skipchak Funeral Home of Berlin.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at All Saints Catholic Parish at 11:00A.M. on Wednesday, August 28, 2024.

Burial will follow services at St. Michael Catholic Cemetery

# Cemetery Details

## St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery

Berlin, WI 54923

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 28. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home  
116 S Adams Ave  
Berlin, WI 54923  
(920) 361-2050

## Funeral Service

AUG 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

All Saints Catholic Parish  
N8566 WI-49  
Berlin, WI 54923  
(920) 361-5252

# Tribute Wall



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