



# **Ms. Betty Joyce Naegeli**

JUN 9, 1931 - JAN 5, 2020



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**B**etty Joyce Gordon Naegeli  
1931-2020

Betty Naegeli, a proud Houstonian, and lover of the written word, passed peacefully in her home on January 5, 2020 at age 88.

Betty was born to Edward and Tranna Gordon in Jacksonville, Florida on June 9, 1931. She was an Alter Guild at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, a board member of the South Houston Chamber of Commerce, a devoted leader of Girl Scout Troop 89, as well as a 20-year Swine Committee member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Betty worked at First Pasadena State Bank until she co-founded Naegeli Transportation Inc. in 1956 with her husband, Boyd Naegeli, Sr. She successfully and lovingly managed NTI in partnership with her husband, and later her children, until her retirement in 1994. NTI is still successfully in operation today, in large part because of her. After her retirement, Betty enjoyed many summers at her family property in West Yellowstone, Montana. There she created a special gathering place for her family and friends.

Preceded in death by her husband Boyd Lee Naegeli, Sr., sister Rose Emeline Gordon, brother Ray Albert Gordon, and her parents. Betty will be remembered for her generosity of spirit, tenacity, integrity and advocacy of women's rights. She loved books, cats, NPR, and all things purple. Betty is survived by her son, Boyd Lee Naegeli, Jr., his wife Debbie, daughter Ellen Lucile Naegeli, her wife Rachel, brother Edward C. Gordon Jr., grandchildren, Kale, Hannah, Mollie, Max, Lily and Rose, great-grandchildren Ezra and Wren, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and many loving friends.

In lieu of flowers we suggest a contribution to Houston Public Media (Channel 8 PBS and News 88.7) our local NPR station.




# Events

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## Visitation

 **Friday**, January 10, 2020


 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM CT


 **South Park Funeral Home and Crematory**  
1310 North Main Street, Pearland TX 77581



## Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, January 11, 2020

 2:00 PM CT

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## Cemetery Details

 **South Park Cemetery**  
1310 North Main St., Pearland TX 77581





## Tribute Wall

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MM

**Missy & Larry Martin** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Naegeli family.



January 11 at 5:50 AM

LM

**Lynn Martin & Mary Kelly And Barbara Martin** sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Naegeli family.



January 10 at 12:43 PM

AP

**Adrienne And Don Padfield** posted:

Adrienne and Don Padfield wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Ellen, Sonny and all the Naegeli family on the passing of everyone's friend, Betty Naegeli. While it is not possible for us to be with you this weekend we are with you in spirit. Adrienne has cherished the friendship with your family for decades and we feel blessed to be so fortunate. Betty will be missed by many; our prayers are with you.

January 10 at 12:15 PM

NM

**Norman McIntyre** posted:

Spent a lot of time at the Naegeli's house, mostly outside during all the weekend parties they had (announced or not). She was one of the greats - sorta between Boy Scout troop leader and Edith Bunker....your fav old friend, Norman McIntyre

January 10 at 6:50 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Lily and Rose Tribute Spray to the Naegeli family.



January 10 at 6:01 AM

MH

**Mike & Patty Honeycutt** sent a Fairest of All to the Naegeli family.



January 10 at 4:49 AM



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**Pat Lippold And Robert Young** sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Naegeli family.



January 9 at 4:50 PM



**Chris Cordiner** posted:

Betty was co leader with myself, Ann Brzezinski, and Adrienne Padfield. Between the four of us, we had Troop 89 under control. Betty was the camping expert, Adrienne knew everything related to Home Economics like how many slices of bread were in a loaf. Ann was the bookkeeper. and I was just a good worker bee. Thelma Glorioso always volunteered to be the cookie chairperson. Our troop always met at Betty's house, and we had some great times on camping trips and other Girl Scout outings. Even after the kids grew up, we all remained close friends through the years. Betty had us all visit at her West Yellowstone home one summer and we went white water rafting! Great times, and great memories!

January 9 at 1:48 PM



**Carol Nelson** posted:

Loved Mrs. Betty Naegeli. First knew her as my Girl Scout Leader. Her matter of fact, can-do attitude paired with her quick wit and sense of humor were infectious and inspiring. She was a wise lady, a take care of business lady, and a thoughtful benevolent person. I will always remember that red car she d"whipped around in back in those Girl Scout Days and all the fun we had camping and going on trips. Always enjoyed keeping up with her through the years through Mom.

January 9 at 1:19 PM



**The Sylvester Family** sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Naegeli family.



January 9 at 7:04 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Naegeli family.



January 8 at 11:37 AM



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BR

**Barbara Randolph** posted:

I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful mother. Her generosity, kindness and fun loving spirit were qualities I will always remember when I think of her, along with her amazing laugh. She was an incredibly talented and smart woman, a great roll model and girl scout leader.

January 8 at 10:30 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Naegeli family.



January 8 at 10:17 AM

DH

**Dede Hall** posted:

From: Dede Scroggins Hall, for the past week I told Mom we need to go see Ms. Betty. Such a sad day to hear she has left us and gone to heaven. She was an angel here on earth to so many people and was my second mother. Love and prayers to Ellen & Sonny and all her family.

January 8 at 9:37 AM

KB

**Kathy Padfield Baffes And Paul Baffes** sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Naegeli family.



January 8 at 9:30 AM

TJ

**Tim Jones** posted:

What a great Women and what a full life. Boyd and Ellen were Blessed to have such a Wonderful Mother. Tim and Joanna Jones

January 8 at 9:20 AM

FJ

**From Tim And Joanna Jones** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Naegeli family.



January 8 at 9:19 AM



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JR

**Jamie Rascoe** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Naegeli family.

January 8 at 8:15 AM



PS

**Pat Black And Your Friends At Apache Services, Inc** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Naegeli family.

January 8 at 7:47 AM



FY

**From Bechtel Equipment Operations & Naegeli Yard** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Naegeli family.

January 8 at 6:31 AM



CC

**Cindy Carrigan** sent a Large Basket Garden to the Naegeli family.

January 8 at 4:42 AM



TD

**Terry Dube** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Naegeli family.

January 8 at 4:40 AM



BR

**Bigge Crane And Rigging** sent a Large Basket Garden to the Naegeli family.

January 8 at 3:35 AM





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**Donna Johnston** posted:

Betty was always there to listen. Her and I could sit for hours, whether in person or on the phone and talk about everything or anything. Loved hearing of her life, her travels,, I will always miss my dearest friend,, We had the same birthdays, Of course she had the date first. She would call her and I the soul sisters. Rest in peace my soul sister. I love you so much. Thank you for always being there. Donna Johnston, West Yellowstone, Montana

January 8 at 2:52 AM



**Elida Marez** January 10 at 7:53 AM

She was a wonderful person n neighbor for so many years our children have great memories playing in the back yard my condolences to Boyd ( Sonny ) n to Ellen ( Cissy ) my god bless u both n your families



**Robin Hensley** posted:

Best godmother a girl could ask for. So thankful to have known and loved her, and to be loved back, unconditionally, by such a unique person. Betty was such a strong, smart person with a good heart. (Also a force to be reckoned with!) She instilled values in me and enriched my life with her guidance. I will cherish her mentorship, friendship and love always.

January 7 at 4:39 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Naegeli family.



January 7 at 10:32 AM



**Frank Thielen And The 4X Industrial Group** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Naegeli family.



January 7 at 10:11 AM



**Allen And Pam Faulk** sent a Basket of Memories to the Naegeli family.



January 7 at 9:02 AM



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**Rebecca Barrier** sent a Heavenly Sentiments Spray to the Naegeli family.



January 7 at 8:29 AM



**Pamela Faulk** posted:

I cherish each memory I have and there's quite a few; it's hard to believe but I knew her just short of 40 years. My first loving memory of Betty was when she showed up with a overnight bag (of sorts) to stay overnight to comfort me and make me laugh through a rough time...all the way to my last serious conversation with her about AMD when I was diagnosed. She helped me through so many events in my life, always willing to listen and help with encouragement and the truth. When my mother died in 2004 she even added the distinction of becoming 'my second mom'. When I shut my eyes and think of her, the first picture I see is of how beautiful she looked in her high-heeled shoes 40ish years ago - man she could wear them with great style!! Then I think of all her wonderful stories about Sissy and Sonny growing up...then of course the humorous stories of Boyd Sr's escapades...then on to the guys at NTI and how she loved "her" drivers...then to her stories of West Yellowstone and all the fun she had with her northern friends...then to those of her grandchildren...so many memories. I will miss my 'second mom'!...there is a broken spot in my heart right now, but I know that I will see you again and that makes me smile. Pam

January 7 at 7:58 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Bountiful Rose Basket to the Naegeli family.



January 7 at 7:19 AM



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**Jamie Rascoe** posted:

I'm so grateful for the many short conversations I had with Betty the younger poolside watching the children splash and play. I loved hearing about their side of town because we lived out Telephone road, went to Garden Villas and the same library I bet. Watching Rosie crawl up in her lap and Lily too sometimes was special. I will miss Betty. She was a force of nature. Our own grandmother had that same steel in her spine ; gave us an image of the strength of women in the world they worked in. Our grandmother ran an office supply company, bought carloads of furniture, handled many employees, solved problems without batting an eye, I guess Betty was like that at work. God bless you younger Betty, we know heaven is in strong and good, capable hands. Rachel's sister, Jamie Rascoe

January 7 at 6:30 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Betty by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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