



Rebekah Jan Coutts

July 11, 1944 - April 12, 2024

Rebekah Jan Haltom Coutts (Becky), age 79, passed away Friday, April 12, 2024 at Alive Hospice in Nashville. A Memorial Service will be conducted at 11am Saturday, April 27, 2024 at Parkway Baptist Church, 505 Cunniff Pkwy., Goodlettsville, TN 37072 with Rev. Ken Castleberry and Rev. Matt Megginson officiating. Graveside Memorial Services will be conducted at 3pm Saturday, April 27th at the Elmwood Cemetery, 1029 Richard Street, Springfield, TN 37172.

The family will have a memorial gathering of friends from 9-11am Saturday, April 27th at Parkway Baptist Church.

Becky was born July 11, 1944, in Altus, OK, to the late William Earl Haltom and the late Zilpha Ruth Miller Haltom. She grew up as a MK (missionary kid), trusting Christ as a child. Her parents served with the Foreign Mission Board (now IMB) in Hawaii and the Bahamas. Becky graduated with a BS in Nursing from Oklahoma Baptist University (May 1966) and attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary where she met a gentleman named Bobby Murphey Coutts.

Bob and Becky were married December 28, 1968, and following seminary Bob pastored the 8th Street Baptist Chapel in Massillon, Ohio, for 2 ½ years. They were appointed as IMB evangelists and church planters in July 1974 and

served for 35 years among the Goun and Weme peoples of Benin, West Africa (considered the birthplace of voodoo worship).

At their retirement in August 2009, Bob and Becky settled in Whites Creek, TN, near Nashville, keeping in touch with Benin pastors and praising God for their faithful evangelism and church planting. They had the joy of returning to Benin in November 2013 with a medical/dental team from Parkway Baptist Church for 2 weeks of village clinics among the Weme churches.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Coutts is preceded in death by her husband, Bobby Murphrey Coutts; and 2 brothers, Jon David Haltom and Samuel Tsukasa Haltom.

Becky is survived by her sons, Joshua John (Susie) Coutts, and Rocco Daniel Dominic (Dotou) Coutts; 6 grandchildren, Danielle, Eden, Murphey, Jack, Anna Jane, and Dominic; sister, Sarah Leialoha (Ronald) Hollifield; and sisters-in-law, Linda Haltom of Oklahoma and Linda Haltom of Colorado.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorial donations be made to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering through Parkway Baptist Church.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield is in charge of these arrangements.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME-

509 WALNUT STREET, SPRINGFIELD, TN (615) 384-1000

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

1029 Richard Street
Springfield, TN 37172

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR 27. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Parkway Baptist Church
505 Cunniff Parkway
Goodlettsville, TN 37072

Memorial Service

APR 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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505 Cunniff Parkway
Goodlettsville, TN 37072

Graveside Memorial Service

APR 27. 3:00 PM (CT)

Elmwood Cemetery
1029 Richard Street
Springfield, TN 37172

Tribute Wall

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“ *Becky (and that name ALWAYS had Bob beside it!) , affectionately known as Aunt Becky by our kids and many other m.k.'s ;
Becky - always ready with a warm smile and something to eat; enduring the hot intense heat of West Africa , bug bites and sun burn, she persevered to share the Good News of Christ her Savior! A devoted wife and mother, gave an excellent example of valor -strength of mind and bravery and encouragement when faced with difficult situations. She also cared for Gods special creations- the dachshunds! Our pups had the pleasure of boarding at the Cout's home a time or two! Her love was immense. Her kindness and integrity, a great example and testimony! Now, thanks be to God, it's "Becky and Bob" once again as they share the joy of their heavenly home!*



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