



## Mrs. Betty Louise Chertock

September 11, 1932 - August 6, 2019

\*\*\*\*NOTE: FUNERAL SERVICE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW\*\*\*\*

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\*\*\*\*IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, The family requests sending donations to:

The Kalamazoo Gospel Mission  
448 N. Burdick Street-Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

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Betty Louise Chertock was born on 9/11/32 to Ralph Erwin Ranck and Louise Thomas in Phoenix, Arizona. In 1934, the family moved to Southern California to enjoy the better climate. Ralph made a good living buying small restaurants and apartment buildings, improving and reselling them to make a good profit. This involved a lot of moving. Betty would take care of her younger brother Ray, and also help out in the restaurant.

As a teenager, she worked as a messenger at a large movie Studio. Betty was brought up in the LDS church. Genealogical research found her ancestors were Huguenots who were forced to flee their vineyard (Chateau De Vibrac) from France to Germany. They fled to Pennsylvania, US where the family allotted land.

She met Joseph Lee Krofcheck while they were attending Brigham Young University in Utah, and were married in between semesters. They had their

first son, Joseph Michael in Provo UT.

The young couple moved into a small house constructed behind Rose and Joseph Krofcheck's {her in law's} home in South Gate, CA. They also bought them their first car, a brand new Corvair.

Betty worked at the Firestone Tire Company to help pay bills, while her husband was finishing his undergraduate studies at UCLA; then to USC for his postgraduate in School of Medicine; later, specializing in Psychiatry. During this time, their second son, David Lee was born. The young family then moved to San Fernando Valley. Betty lovingly cared for their sons and enjoyed being a wonderful homemaker, and carried out large family gatherings. She also enjoyed constantly driving the boys everywhere in her 1965 Mustang. She also became the Cub Scout Den mother.

Unfortunately, the marriage ended in a divorce. This threw the whole family into turmoil for a while. The kids needed help in school and were enrolled at a private reading program, where they met Jack Chertock, who taught and managed the clinic. Betty and Jack fell in love and were married.

Jack was a Seaman 1st Class in the US Navy during WW11. He survived after his aircraft carrier the USS Tripoli was sunk off the coast of the Philippines. After the war, he graduated college and eventually received his PhD in Education.

Betty and Jack enjoyed their time together, and with their friends who were school teachers. Summer vacations would be family camping trip to a Mexican beach. During winter, they, as Snow patrol would chaperone school kids to the ski area to go downhill on inner tubes, sleds, or skis.

After "retiring," Jack and Betty worked hard at the Orange County swap meet

for many years. They both enjoyed travelling to many countries, and going on different cruises. They also volunteered to work at the polls during election. Jack and Betty loved visiting their son David and daughter in law, Sheila in Michigan where they spent time relaxing on the lake.

Visiting her son would also include the message of Salvation at Richland Bible Church. This is where she accepted the Lord as her Saviour.

Jack's parents, being Jewish, were traumatized by the memories of the violent "Pogroms" in Russia. He would always respect his parents and his family for what they went through. And we know, that Jack's sharp mind, did not miss a single syllable of the Pastor's message.

A year after Jack's death, Betty moved to Michigan in 2012 to be closer to David and Sheila. Eight years and 1 day after Jack's death, Betty joined our Lord and Saviour.

Betty will always be remembered as a loving and caring mother.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Chertock; brother; Ray Ranck and stepson, Sean Chertock.

She is survived by her sons, Joe Michael Krofcheck (Cathy) and David Krofcheck (Sheila); sister-in-law, Gloria Ranck; nephew, Steven Ranck and family; niece, Linda Ranck and Jack's niece Pauline Levy and family.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests sending to: The Kalamazoo Gospel Mission

# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Custer National Cemetery-Mausoleum**

15501 Dickman Road  
Augusta, MI 49012

# Previous Events

## **Family & Friends please park behind vehicles to the right after entering cemetery**

SEP 4. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Ft. Custer National Cemetery  
15501 Dickman Road  
Augusta, MI 49012

## **Military Ceremony**

SEP 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

Ft. Custer National Cemetery  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Betty Louise Chertock



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**Harper Funeral Home** - August 18, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ Mrs. Betty Louise Chertock

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October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mrs. Betty Louise Chertock

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October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ I am daughter of Jack Chertock stepdaughter of Betty Chertock I love and miss you both and my brother Sean Chertock God and his Angels surround you and m children and I

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**Kathryn** - September 08, 2019 at 03:04 PM

TK

“ Thank you for the wonderful video and obituary tribute of Betty; both will forever be enjoyed and part of my family history. Betty and Jack were so supportive to my husband in the 1970's by giving him a job tutoring as he was finishing up his teaching credential at Cal State Northridge. This job kept our family of four and one on the way afloat and will never be forgotten. We both taught for many years and are retired from LAUSD. Thank you David and Sheila for the care you gave Betty during her end of life years. In Ecclesiastes 3, it speaks how God has put eternity in our hearts, our lives are just a glimpse of what is still ahead. May you find comfort knowing your mother is with loved ones and our Savior, and may you be blessed with the blessings you need the most.

Lovingly, Tacy Keyser (I am Betty's cousin on your grandfather Ranck's side)

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**Tacy Keyser** - August 21, 2019 at 02:35 PM

TK

“ What a wonderful "Tribute" I will keep it forever as part of my family history. Betty and Jack were so supportive in giving my husband a job as a tutor while he finished up his teaching credential at Cal State Northridge in the early 1970's. It helped keep our family of four afloat and I will never forget what that job meant for us. We both ended up as retired teachers. Thank you David and Sheila for all the help you provided for Betty toward the end of her years. In Ecclesiastes 3:11 it says God has put eternity in our hearts, our lives are just a glimpse of what is ahead. I hope you find comfort knowing that your mother is with loved ones and our Savior. If you ever get out to California I would love to meet up with you. May you both be blessed with the blessings you need the most. Lovingly, Tacy Keyser, (a cousin to Betty on your grandfather Ranck's side)

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**Tacy Keyser** - August 20, 2019 at 01:51 PM