



Marietta "Rita" Cook Bradley

June 28, 1927 - March 26, 2026

Marietta "Rita" Cook Bradley of Asheville, passed away peacefully on March 26, 2026, at Harmony of Reynolds Mountain Assisted Living.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Eckel "Brad" Bradley; brothers Charles Cook, Weaver Cook, Luke Cook, and Tom Cook; and sisters Una Maney and Rose Corbin. She is survived by brothers Frank Cook and Kenneth Cook, sister Linda Cook, sisters-in-law Valda Cook and Lorraine Cook, and several special nieces and nephews.

Rita was a native of Asheville, NC, and one of ten children of the late Calvin Cook and Ann Young Cook. She graduated from Mars Hill University and Asheville, Buncombe Technical College. She was an accountant for R.L. Coleman & Co. during the building of the Asheville Mall, Hollyday Hahn & Co C.P.A., and later in her career as a realtor for Beverly Hanks.

Rita was a member of the First Baptist Church of Asheville, where she married Brad on May 20, 1972.

Rita enjoyed spending time at Litchfield Beach, SC, with Brad. She loved to entertain her friends and family. She valued her many close friends, neighbors, and family.

The family is thankful for the care provided by the staff of Medi Hospice, Harmony Square, and special caregiver Frances “Petey” Sims.

A private memorial service will be held at First Baptist Church of Asheville in the Sacred Garden.

Memorials can be made to the FBCA Sacred Garden Fund at 5 Oak Street, Asheville, NC 28801

Tribute Wall

LH

“ *Laura H. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marietta "Rita" Cook Bradley.*

Laura H. - April 06 at 12:03 AM

JS

“ *My condolences to Frank, Lorraine, Laura and Calvin on the passing of your sister and Aunt Rita.*

Judy Fisher Sylvester - April 02 at 03:40 PM

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Thank you Judy.

Laura Hoch - April 06 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ *Reg and Carol Cook Alford purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Marietta "Rita" Cook Bradley.*



Reg and Carol Cook Alford - March 29 at 09:41 AM

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“ *Reg and Carol Cook Alford planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marietta "Rita" Cook Bradley.*

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