

**Statement by Evangelist Billy Graham  
On the Death of Mrs. Lady Bird Johnson  
Montreat, N.C., July 11, 2007**

“Lady Bird Johnson was a wonderful woman devoted to her husband, her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was one of the greatest women I have ever known.

“During my wife's long illness, Lady Bird would often phone her, and Ruth was always encouraged by those calls.

"Last Monday I spoke with Lady Bird Johnson and her family, who were at her bedside. Lynda and Luci were full of love for their mother, and conscious of the coming reality of heaven for her.

“Lady Bird's family are in my thoughts and prayers. I hold each one of them with deep personal affection.”

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