

Janie L. Kitty  
Bluffton, South Carolina

A native of Beaufort County and educated in Beaufort County Schools, Mrs. Kitty considers Bluffton her adopted home after her marriage to a Bluffton native.

She is being recognized for her efforts in getting day care services to her community in 1984. Today more than fifty children attend day care at the Bluffton Community Center, Goethe Road which was built by the community.


In 1969, Mrs. Kitty accompanied Senator Strom Thurmond (now Congressman Thurmond) on a tour of the poor living condition in Bluffton, this visit was prompted through the work of Dr. Donald Gatch (deceased) who drew attention to children being infested by Intestinal Parasites (Stomach Worms). The result of this visit, a Senate hearing, write-up in the Esquire Magazine, and a documentary by National Television resulted in the two county Beaufort-Jasper Comprehensive Health Clinic.

A former state certified mid wife, Mrs. Kitty is employed by the state at the Hilton Head Health Center as a Nurse Assistant and Clinical Nurse Assistant for the last 2 1/2 years.

Today, Mrs. Kitty goes above and beyond her duties as an employee and provides assistance to the poor, sick, and underprivileged of Bluffton and Hilton Head Island. She has organized fund raisers for burn out families, clothes for children and most recently an effort to help a student prepare for college.

A devout Baptist, Member of First Zion Baptist Church where she serves as President of Senior Choir, member of the Ladies Auxiliary, Missionary Society and Program/Planning Committee.

Although she does not carry a beeper, Mrs. Kitty is on call 24 hours a day for her community.

Mother of five children (4 sons, one daughter) grand mother of 

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Jennie Kitty  
P. O. Box 55  
Bluffton, South Carolina

MAY 16 1969

Dear Mrs. Kitty:

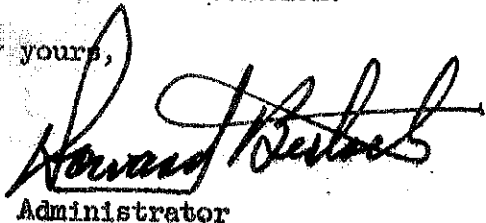
The Vice President has asked me to thank you for your recent letter concerning the construction of a kindergarten building to be used to care for children of working mothers. Your interest and concern for the young children in your community is very much appreciated.

Title III (a) of the Economic Opportunity Act, administered by the Farmers Home Administration, authorizes loans to low income rural residents for the financing of nonfarm small businesses. Individuals may receive loans of up to \$3,500 at 4-1/8 percent interest. For complete information on this program and whether or not we can assist you in the construction of the building you need to contact Mr. Wilbert Campbell, ASC County Office Building, Highway 170, P. O. Box 4310, Beaufort, South Carolina 29902, FHA County Supervisor for Beaufort County.

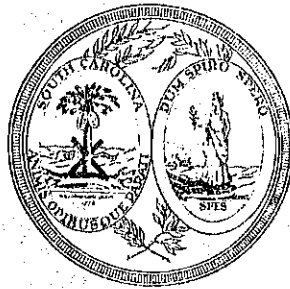
Also, you may want to contact the Beaufort-Jasper Office of Economic Opportunity in Beaufort, and a community action agency serving these counties. They may be able to provide some assistance to help you establish kindergarten.

Please let us know if we can provide additional information.

Sincerely yours,

  
Administrator

# State of South Carolina



## Service Certificate

Awarded To

**JENNIE L. KITTY**

Upon retirement after 24 years of  
loyal and faithful service to the State and as a lasting  
expression of best wishes from officials and employees  
for many years of happiness and good health.

Given under my hand and seal 22nd  
day of OCTOBER 1992

*Thomas E. Brumby*

Agency Director

*Donald G. Campbell*

Governor