

# FEATURE FRIDAY | JUNE 16, 2017 BENITA BAKER

### CHEF MANAGER

This week on our Feature Friday segment, we sat down with Benita Baker, Chef Manager for UAB Campus Dining, to ask her a few questions about her life, hobbies & more. Here's what she had to say:

#### Where are you from?

BENITA: Born and raised here in Birmingham, Alabama.

#### How long have you worked for Campus Dining?

BENITA: I've worked here at UAB for seven years, but I've been with the company for 34 years. I started as a pastry chef at Samford University.

#### That's a long time! What's kept you here so long?

BENITA: Partially my love of food, but also because of the wonderful campus atmosphere and the staff that I work with here at UAB Campus Dining. I also appreciate our client's successful vision of dining at UAB.

#### What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

BENITA: I love to garden, both flowers and vegetables.

## If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

BENITA: Hawaii. I plan on working there for my last few years so I can retire there as well.

## Is there anything people would be surprised to know about you?

BENITA: Some people might be surprised to know that I have a twin sister.

#### What is your favorite food?

BENITA: Being a professional culinarian, every food is my favorite food. I love that you can create new dishes all the time.



SAY HELLO TO BENITA THE NEXT TIME YOU SEE HER ON CAMPUS OR IN THE COMMONS.