



Barbara L. Coverdale

March 14, 1948 - January 4, 2019

Barbara L. Coverdale, age 70, of Harbeson, DE, peacefully entered heavens gates on January 4, 2019 at Beebe Hospital in Lewes, DE surrounded by her daughter, three grandchildren and son-in-law. Barbara was born on March 14th 1948 in Milford, DE, the daughter of the late Walter "Lee" and Nancy M. (Kemper) Vanaman.

She is survived by her one and only daughter Angela Ware and her husband Bryan whom she just adored. Her grandson, Tyler Ware and two granddaughters, Tiffany Ware and Miranda Ware. She is also survived by her three siblings, sister Nancy Garringer her husband Larry, sister Virginia Fortuna her husband Joe, brother Walter Vanaman and wife Lauren, and 4 nieces, 2 nephews, and a number of other relatives and close friends, as well as her beloved pets Pumpkin and Miss Muffet (guinea pigs) and grand dog Casper.

Barbara was medical graduate from the Career Academy in Washington DC in 1967. She went on to work many positions with doctors' offices and hospitals, and finished her career out with the blood bank of Delaware. She was also a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Lewes.

Despite of her lifelong health issues, she made the best of life and always made her family feel safe during those times that she had to fight her hardest battles. She was the strongest woman we knew and overcame many obstacles, but some unfortunately fought to her to the end. Many of her illnesses were debilitating, but she would never let them beat her. Barbara fought like no other with determination and grace to get through the toughest of times. She would never let us know just how bad times were for her because she didn't want that to burden us. With those big bright blue eyes and beautiful smile, she comforted us the best she knew how.

Barbara's favorite thing to do was spend time with her family, especially her daughter and grandchildren. She spent many days and nights just talking about anything and everything with us. We loved watching TV with her, whether it be a cooking show, soap opera, reality TV, or new crime series. Barbara just enjoyed the company. She was an avid lover of all

types of birds, but especially the hummingbird and cardinal. Barbara was a devoted mother and grandmother. The pillar of her family, she dedicated her life to raising her daughter and grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all who loved her.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 11:00 AM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow the services at St. Peter's Cemetery, Pilottown Road, Lewes, DE.

Please sign Barbara's online guest book located on this site.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED TO PARSELL FUNERAL HOMES, LEWES, DE BY 3 PM, TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019.

Events

JAN **Viewing** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel
16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, US, 19958

JAN **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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JAN **Interment**

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St. Peter's Cemetery
Pilottown Road, Lewes, DE, US

Comments



“ Many had the honor of knowing my mother personally , many of you knew her indirectly through one of her family members , you may have even known her as a co-worker or a friend . But all of my mom's family here today each knew a part of her . The part of her life as a wife, mother, daughter ,grandmother, sister ,Aunt ,niece, or cousin.

Of coarse I knew her as mommy , She was not just my mother she was my best friend, my confidant , my advisor, and mentor. She always there to offer gentle guidance when asked , but she still let me make my own way so that I could learn from my own mistakes. She was always there to comfort me when times got rough and she was the first one to celebrate in my accomplishments . I honestly could not have asked for a more understanding, loving mom and grandma for my 3 amazing children. Tyler, Tiffany and Miranda were the light in her life .She loved them more than anything. And i know one of the reasons why she fought so long and hard was for them. My mom shared much of her life with me and I saw sides of my mother as she struggled through life with many illnesses. I got to know the very human side of my mother , she showed us at times that she could be weak, vulnerable, scared and discouraged. But she never complained and never asked for pity . No one suffered more than my mom and we all shared in her pain. I wish that so much of her life had not been lost to illness, that things could have been different for her and for us.

These last few days we have found ourselves laughing, crying and reminiscing of the wonderful memories she left us. As hard as it is right now to see through the tears of our sorrow we can take comfort in knowing that right now she is standing at the Gates of Heaven, breathing without a oxygen tank, walking without a cane , seeing everything clearly and free from her debilitating pain. We find comfort in Knowing that she is finally at peace and that her struggles are over. Words cant Express how much i miss my mom. But Even though she's is not here she has left behind many amazing memories and the legacy of her Love and Perseverance.

AngelaandBryan Ware - January 14 at 07:59 PM



“ AngelaandBryan Ware lit a candle in memory of Barbara L. Coverdale



AngelaandBryan Ware - January 14 at 07:56 PM



“ I met Barbara at our Pulmonary Rehab classes. She was very quiet and sweet. She was always kind and sociable to me. I missed her when she was no longer able to come. My condolences.
Susan Walker

Susan Walker - January 08 at 06:43 PM



“ Thank you for your kind words.

AngelaandBryan - January 14 at 07:55 PM



“ Nancy Vanaman lit a candle in memory of Barbara L. Coverdale



Nancy Vanaman - January 08 at 08:35 AM



“ Connected by the heart and loved dearly, I will hold you there, till we meet again!!

Nancy - January 08 at 08:38 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Virginia Fortuna - January 08 at 06:09 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album





“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara L. Coverdale.



January 07 at 02:25 PM



“ Janet McClure lit a candle in memory of Barbara L. Coverdale



Janet McClure - January 07 at 02:17 PM



“ Angela and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Please know you are in my prayers.

Tammy Pedrick

Tammy Pedrick - January 07 at 02:07 PM



“ Thank you

AngelaandBryan - January 14 at 07:55 PM



“ May the comfort of knowing that Barbara is free from pain and with loved ones, ease your pain. So sorry for your loss. God Bless.

Donna Johnson - January 07 at 12:01 PM



“ Thank you for your kind words Donna.

AngelaandBryan - January 14 at 07:56 PM



“ Prayers for her daughter and family I remember going to Aunt Nan and Uncle Lees house when we were little with my dad and mom and siblings! We always had fun with Barb, Ginny and as I called them “the kids”, Nancy Kaye and as I called him little Lee! I loved those days with Barb! It’s been a long time as I have been away from Delaware for over 45 years but my memories are still fresh! Fly high sweet angel and kiss Aunt Nan and my momma for me, love you . Ricki

Ricki VanMatre - January 07 at 11:07 AM



“ Thank you

AngelaandBryan - January 14 at 07:54 PM



“ Virginia Fortuna is following this tribute.

Virginia Fortuna - January 07 at 10:24 AM



“ You were my big sister. We always had things to talk about and our phone conversations always lasted hours. I will miss those talks and our many laughs. Our short visits always lasted all day since time flew by when we were together. I have been with you through all your trials and tribulations in your life as you have with me. We always held each other up in those trying times and be prepared to hear a lot from me for I continue to talk to you in heaven. I am so glad you are finally out of your decades of pain and are now free and with mom and dad. I send my love as I always have now and forever.

Virginia Fortuna - January 07 at 10:21 AM



“ Virginia Fortuna lit a candle in memory of Barbara L. Coverdale



Virginia Fortuna - January 07 at 10:10 AM



“ Love, April, Kevin and Kenna Gales purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Barbara L. Coverdale.



Love, April, Kevin and Kenna Gales - January 06 at 01:04 PM