



Barbara Claire Sill

November 3, 1939 - May 8, 2021

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So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

- 2 Corinthians 4:18

Barbara Claire Sill, 81, of New Bloomfield, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 8, 2021, in Stonebridge Health & Rehabilitation Center, Duncannon, with her family by her bedside. Barb was born on November 3, 1939, in New Bloomfield.

Barb was the daughter of the late Sylvester Shope and Dorothy (Gray) Shope. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband of almost 44 years, Jacques "Jac" Sill; her sister, Frances Shope; and her sister-in-law, Patricia Comp and her husband Paul. Barb was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother, survived by her daughter, Sharon Wise and her husband Kevin and daughter, Karen Sill, granddaughter, Jamie Jones-Rodgers and husband David Rodgers, and grandson, Zachary Wise and his fiancée Nicole Shetler. Barb is also survived by her only niece, Debra (Comp) Funk and husband Robert and their family, and two close cousins, Patricia (Fuller) Stewart and Alan Fuller and their families.

Barb graduated from Perry Joint High School in 1957. During her high school years, she was a majorette, played basketball and clarinet. She was instrumental in organizing and enjoyed attending the Perry Joint Class Reunions. She was a faithful member of Christ Lutheran Church. Because of her husband's job, she lived in several PA locations as well as Indianapolis, IN, over the years, coming back to Perry County to live for the past 16 years.

Barb was a member of many organizations and she was active in all of them. She was a 50 year member, Past Grand Officer, Deputy Grand Matron, and Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was also active in Ladies Oriental Shrine, Merry Widows, Past Queen of Daughters of the Nile, American Business Women's Association (Woman of the Year), the New Bloomfield Fire Company Ways & Means Committee, and the New Bloomfield Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary. She enjoyed traveling for several of these

organizations and consequently made many, many friends across PA as well as in other jurisdictions. Barb loved to attend their luncheons & meetings, always chauffeuring for her local friends. Until recently, Barb also enjoyed vacation traveling ~ bus day trips, cruises, and various trips to Europe as well as within the US. Barb was happiest when she was doing for others and this kept her busy until her final days. She loved baking for fire company events, cooking for covered dish suppers, and coordinating & supporting fundraisers for various organizations. She opened her home to many friends visiting from other parts of the state; her home became lovingly known as "Barb's Bed & Breakfast".

SERVICE DETAILS

Friends will be received on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, from 4:00PM-7:00PM at Boyer Family Funeral Home in New Bloomfield. The family asks that those attending wear masks and follow appropriate social distancing protocol. The funeral service and burial will be private. The family asks that in lieu of flowers donations be made in Barb's memory to the New Bloomfield Fire Company Building Fund or Shriner's Hospital for Children. A special thank you from the family to the staff and administration of Stonebridge Rehabilitation & Health Center for their kindness and care of Barb during her final days.

The Boyer Family is honored to handle the arrangements for the Sill Family.

Tribute Wall

SH

“ Barb was always "joyful" ! I met Barb through her sister Fran during visits to Clarion and got to know the rest of you through the spirited stories that Barb would share of her wonderful family. Though Clarion seems so far away in your thoughts I'm sure - it was here that I got to know Barb and what a wonderful caring person she was. Her journey was one of great faith and service - a life well lived ! Blessings to all of you during the celebration of Barb's life !

Suzan Hahnfeldt - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

KM

“ Barb was a faithful supporter of Ozemb Temple No. 52, Daughters of the Nile, which was how I met her. Her kindness and friendship to all was what endeared her to me. I will always remember her and strive to walk in her shoes. She will be missed by so many and I hope her family and friends take comfort in her memory. So sorry for your loss.

Kat Manucci - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

MC

“ My thoughts, prayers and sympathies for Sharon and Karen and your entire family. Sending my love and hugs to you at this difficult time.

Mary Lynn Crosby - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

SK

“ Prayers for family and her many friends. Good vibes of love and warm hugs of comfort to Barbara's dear family.

With Nile Love, Susan

Susan Knowlton - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

SR

“ Our thoughts and prayers to her family. Barbara was always very kind and positive while with us and a joy to have as part of our family. Thank you for sharing her with us and entrusting her care to us. It was truly our privilege and honor to care for her. She is now enjoying her eternal home enjoying the fruits of her labor for her Savior. May you all find peace and comfort in His presence during this time.

Stonebridge Health & Rehab. - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

CA

“ Barbara was such a FUN-LOVING counterpart in Daughters of the Nile ROSES of Sharon - Queens 2015. We have missed meeting at Supreme Sessions due to COVID 19...and now we will continue to miss her joyous laugh...

Colleen Asaro - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

TS

“ What a faithful Christian!! May God grant her eternal rest and may perpetual light shine upon her.

God Bless,
Pastor Darlis Swan

The Rev. Darlis J. Swan - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

MP

“ Deepest Sympathy to the Family. Barb was kind, loving and faithful. Farewell my Sister.

Melody Sorge PGM - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

MH

“ Another link has fallen from our Golden Chain. I shall always cherish her friendship and endeavor to emulate her example of kindness and devotion. Heaven has gained a beautiful soul. Hugs and prayers to Sharon and Karen and family.

Marcia Holland - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

KB

“ You have my deepest sympathies and prayers to you and you family. I was always in awe of her at the OES functions. Her was such an insspiration. Her beauty emitted in sooo many way. Her was the epitome of kindness and caring and to give to her fellow man and community. Her will be greatly missed, yet very fondly membered.

Kimm Bush - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

BL

“ Sharon and Karen,
My love and sympathy are you and your family. I have fond memories of your mother over the past 50 plus years of friendship. Blessings to you, Betty Jane

Betty Jane Lee - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

LC

“ Sorry for your loss, Barbara, was a kind thoughtful person and will be missed.
Farewell My Sister

Linda Crabb - May 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM