



Barbara Matthes

July 1, 1935 - September 29, 2013

Barbara Watson Matthes, 78 of Garden City Beach/ Starkville MS, died Sunday, September 29, 2013 at Waccamaw Community Hospital.

Born the daughter of the late Richard Watson and Alice Worrell of Florence, SC She was an Horry county native for many years, before moving with her husband as a military wife, to various locales before settling in Starkville, MS. This is where they raised their family.

Barbara finished her registered nursing degree, from Baptist Hospital in Columbia, SC. She also finished a B.S. degree at Mississippi State University. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Kenneth Matthes and three daughters, Mary Matthes-Guilbeau (Rogers) of Myrtle Beach, Frances Black (Larry) of Starkville, MS and Barbara Jo Merrick (Mark) of Sydney, Australia; her grandchildren are Bradley and Corey Black, Jade and Cobi Guilbeau, Ethan and Sam Merrick and sister, Janice Graham.

Mother encouraged her children to achieve excellence at all endeavors, as exemplified by our accomplishments. She loved children and grandchildren. Barbara was active in Pageants and helped Miss Mississippi, win Miss America, 1980.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 AM Saturday, October 5, 2013 at Belin Memorial United Methodist Church with Reverend Marty Nason officiating. Burial will follow at Lakeside Cemetery in Conway. The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00 PM Friday, October 4, 2013 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel.

An online guestbook is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries
Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **4.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center
11528 Hwy 17 Bypass
Murrells Inlet, SC 29588
(843) 651-3295
info@goldfinchfuneralhome.com
<https://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com>

Service

OCT **5.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Belin Memorial Un. Methodist Church
PO Box 528
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576-0528

Tribute Wall

AB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy. May you find comfort from your memories, as well as the comfort found in God's word the bible. Romans 5:12 says, "That is why, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men because they had all sinned." How loving of God to promise what is found at Revelation 21:4 which says, "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.”

A. Bell - October 18, 2013 at 04:12 PM

TK

“ Dear Ken,

Barbara was a lovely lady. She was unfailingly kind and friendly. I'm glad we had a chance to visit and chat for a few minutes this summer. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

Tom and Karen - October 04, 2013 at 04:02 PM

JG

“ Leigh and I are thinking of the Matthes family. We have very fond memories of Barbara and will miss her. - Jerry Gilbert

Jerry Gilbert - October 04, 2013 at 12:36 PM

JP

“ My thoughts and prayers to Kenneth, Mary and all of the family. I always enjoyed when Barbara visited with my grandparents (Hubert and Mildred Watson) -- fond memories!

Jennifer Ray Parker - October 04, 2013 at 11:21 AM

CH

“ We were saddened to learn of Barbara's passing. We have many fond memories of our fun times together in Starkville. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Carmen and Bo Haynes

Carmen Haynes - October 03, 2013 at 06:44 PM

LH

“ Love, Orlan and Donna Hayes purchased the Truly Beloved Bouquet for the family of Barbara Matthes.



Love, Orlan and Donna Hayes - October 03, 2013 at 04:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Matthes.



October 03, 2013 at 08:51 AM