



Barbara Miller

May 4, 1935 - January 15, 2013

Barbara C. Miller

Barbara C. Miller, beloved wife, mother and grandmother has departed this life and entered the Kingdom of Heaven after succumbing to Alzheimer's disease on Tuesday, January 15, 2013.

Barbara was born May 4, 1935 in Medford, MA to Mahlon D and Doris (Butman) Crouse. She graduated from Reading High School in Reading, MA, and became a registered nurse in 1956 after graduating from the New England Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in Boston, MA. She married the love of her life John P. Miller on September 8, 1956 and practiced nursing in Boston until the birth of their first child.

Barbara was a devoted wife and mother and spent 13 years at home in Southbridge, MA, and Bangor, ME as her children grew. In 1970 she returned to nursing and developed the student health care program at Husson College in Bangor, Me. After moving to Middletown, CT in 1981, she became a visiting nurse, as a certified hospice nurse, serving the surrounding community until her retirement in 1994.

She was ordained deacon in the Episcopal Church in 1991. She was one of the earliest women to be ordained as a deacon, and together, she and her husband lovingly served God and many parishioners at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Middletown, CT. She was blessed with many gifts and her family and friends were blessed to have and be loved by her.

In 1994 she and her husband retired to their home in Wayne, ME. They

served at the altar of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Readfield, ME and St. Mark's in Waterville, ME, where they served during the parish priest's sabbatical.

In 2004, Barbara and her husband moved to Pawleys Island, SC after 3 years of wintering there. Their worship together continued at Holy Cross/Faith Memorial in Pawleys Island until her diagnosis. She lived bravely, graciously and gracefully despite the ravages of her disease. Her love and support for her family were unfaltering even as she progressed.

Besides John, her husband of 56 years, Barbara will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by one daughter, Robin Johnson and her husband Joe of Waterville, ME, three sons, Geoffrey Miller of Blue Hill, ME; Chris Miller and his wife Carol of Hermon, ME, and Peter Miller and his wife April Clark of Lewiston, ME; 6 grandchildren, Mike and Matt Johnson, Cleo and Wyatt Miller, and Sean Griffiths, and Scott Griffiths and his wife Amy; 1 great-grandchild Savannah Griffiths; one brother Roger Crouse, his wife Judy of Brownville Junction, VT, and two nieces Alison and Erin, as well as several cousins.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM Friday, January 25, 2013 at Holy Cross/Faith Memorial Church in Pawleys Island.

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

Previous Events

Service

JAN 25. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Cross Episcopal Church
Pawleys Island, SC 29585

Tribute Wall

DW

“ *Dortha And Jonathan Willetts lit a candle in memory of Barbara Miller*



Dortha and Jonathan Willetts - January 24, 2013 at 03:21 PM

LS

“ *Robin and Joe,
I am very sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. I want you to know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Barbara was such a distinguished and elegant lady when she was at Saint Mark's. It was a pleasure to have met her.
-Leanne and Ed Stevens*

Leanne Stevens - January 24, 2013 at 02:00 PM

CB

“ *I am very sorry to hear of the loss of Barbara. I think about everyone quite often and have always wondered where you were. I will always remember all of the good times growing up on French Street in Bangor across the street from you all. I remember that she was a very nice lady who always had a smile on her face. May God bless you all.*



Cindy Bachelder - January 19, 2013 at 06:31 PM

AB

“ John,
We share your sadness and our prayers are with you, remembering many good times together, especially your trek to Maine's north country to officiate at our wedding. Your kindness to both of us will never be forgotten. Your friends always, Gayle and Alan

Alan Woodford Boone - January 19, 2013 at 11:10 AM

BS

“ John, thinking fondly of Barbara. Love to you and your family.
Brenda & Hank

Brenda Stroup - January 18, 2013 at 09:20 PM

BM

“ We want to send our sincere condolences to you and your family on the loss of Barbara. We remember her fondly from our hours in the water exercise classes. Bob & Carolyn Montagne

Bob & Carolyn Montagne - January 18, 2013 at 08:49 PM

SB

“ To the Miller Family:

May the “peace of God that excels all thought”, comfort and strengthen you during this difficult time. (Philippians 4:7)

*My condolences,
SJB.*

S.J. BROWN - January 18, 2013 at 04:51 PM

JH

“ *John And Virginia Hart lit a candle in memory of Barbara Miller*



John and Virginia Hart - January 18, 2013 at 10:55 AM

VM

“ *Vince And Joanne Malena lit a candle in memory of Barbara Miller*



vince and joanne malena - January 18, 2013 at 08:01 AM