



Ms. Barbara Jo Hagen

November 8, 1936 - June 17, 2020

Hagen, Barbara Jo A beloved mother, grandmother, aunt, friend and a devoted follower of Christ, Barbara Jo Hagen lived life to its fullest and was a fashion icon with a special love of sparkles. She brightened the lives of everyone around her. She made us all better versions of ourselves. Barbara was born November 8, 1936 in Hopkins, MN. Being the youngest of six you know what they say: "whatever the baby wants, the baby gets" and the daughter of Floy and M.B. "Punchy" Hagen, Mayor of Hopkins, Barbara always knew how to have fun. Anyone who knew her felt her energy and love. Barbara had many memorable, funny and unique moments growing up in Hopkins. She was never short of entertaining stories of her youth and had a tight-knit group of friends with whom she shared a close bond throughout her life. "Barb" was a very loyal friend. She raised four children and was the quintessential mother, always there for them. They are forever grateful for her unconditional love. Her gift to them was being an example of how to show up, continually bettering herself and encouraging her children and grandchildren to do the same. Barbara had real grit; she very rarely gave up. As her license plate stated, "IM410S" she loved tennis. She was fiercely competitive and hated to lose. But then, there was always another match, and revenge was sweet! Just ask her many opponents, often half her age, that fell victim to her on the court. Barb enjoyed dancing, socializing and spending time with her family, especially with a glass of wine. Merlot was her favorite. Barbara passed away peacefully at home on June 13, 2020. We love her and will deeply miss her. She was preceded in death by her parents and four siblings. She is survived by her oldest brother, Richard Hagen; her children: Diana Neal, Gregory (Tracy Schaffzin) Odland, Lynn (John) Waldron, Amy (John) Klaers; her grandchildren to whom she was lovingly known as Nana: Natalie (Brian Hasset) Neal, Ross Neal, Matt Waldron, Josh Waldron, Ian Odland, Scott Odland, Julia Odland, Cooper Klaers, Ella Klaers, Danny Klaers as well as her nieces, nephews and friends. Due to COVID-19, a celebration of her life will be announced at a later date so everyone can safely gather in her honor.

Comments



“ We are so lucky to have found Barb. She always had a smile and we had a blast sharing genealogy together. (She and Don were second cousins) Our times spent with Barb will always be treasured. Love to all the family.
Don and Fritz Eide

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