



Barbara "Phil" (Devaney) Breitbach

April 10, 1936 - February 6, 2025

Barbara "Phil" (Devaney) Breitbach born 4/10/1936 in Galway Ireland, sixth of ten children to Patrick and Mary (Flaherty) Devaney. Phil immigrated from Ireland just prior to her fourteenth birthday to St. Paul, MN. She married Dwain in 1955 and raised 6 children in Coon Rapids. She was a member of the Church of the Epiphany, and when the school was started was active with CCD and was a school board member. She also served funeral lunches for years. Phil was an excellent seamstress, she enjoyed knitting, crossword puzzles, and was a beautiful homemaker. Phil had a great sense of humor and she was the best supporter of her children and grandchildren. Some of her greatest gifts were teaching them how to be grateful for others, she had the ability to make people feel special, like they were her favorite and they were number one. She always made sure you knew she was happy you were born.

Phil was preceded in death by her husband of 70 years, Dwain, by just 2 days. She is survived by her children, Denise (David Groves), Patrick (Carol), Barbara (Tom Babcock), Ann (Randy Logelin), Theresa (Scott Boisjolie), and Robert; 19 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, many family and friends. Evening Visitation Monday February 10, 2025 4-7 PM with prayer service at 6, at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd. NW. Reception to follow visitation at Coon Rapids VFW Post 9625. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday February 11 at 10:30 AM with

visitation at 9:30 AM at the Church of the Epiphany, 11001 Hanson Blvd. NW, Coon Rapids. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Mount Olivet Rolling Acres, Attn: Dawn 7200 Rolling Acres. Rd., Victoria, MN 55386.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Visitation

FEB 11. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Church of the Epiphany (Coon Rapids)
11001 Hanson Boulevard Northwest
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 11. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Church of the Epiphany (Coon Rapids)
11001 Hanson Boulevard Northwest
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Tribute Wall

DF

“ RIP auntie Phil, thank you for being my Godmother, I loved your sense of humor, your kindness and faith and your amazing spirit. You were a middle child like me!
Blessings and love to the whole Breitbach gang!



Diane Follestad - February 15, 2025 at 03:35 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara "Phil" (Devaney) Breitbach.

February 12, 2025 at 07:19 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara "Phil" (Devaney) Breitbach.



February 10, 2025 at 04:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara "Phil" (Devaney) Breitbach.

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“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Barbara "Phil" (Devaney) Breitbach.



February 09, 2025 at 09:15 PM



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February 09, 2025 at 09:15 PM



“ I am very sad to hear of Phil's passing I didn't know her name was Barbara
She was wonderful And she was very funny
I remember when I was in high school I don't remember what age I was, but she made me for my birthday a chocolate meringue pie, which I loved and brought it to me and told me I didn't have to share it with anybody. It was for me only it was a treat
Certainly demonstrated how caring she was she will be missed

sandra zukauska - February 08, 2025 at 08:37 PM



Sandy,
Thank you for your condolences and sharing your story. Mom was a very loving and caring person!! I thought to myself when I looked at mom's obituary that we are going to hear from many people, "I didn't know your mom's name was Barbara." 😊

barb - February 09, 2025 at 09:14 AM

BD

*Dearest Barb and family,
I am so sorry to hear of your mom and dad passing. What a shock for both to be taken so close together! I have such fond memories of your parents. They included me in all your family functions and your dad was so great to grab me at the DH orientation that my parents could not attend with me and line me up with you as my roommate! I could not have been blessed with a better roommate.
Jesus came and wrapped His arms around them and told them their room was ready in Heaven. It left such an empty spot here but we all have the hope and promise that we will see each other again. God hold you and your family tightly in this most difficult time!*

Beth Drake - February 10, 2025 at 02:06 AM

SB

I was very saddened to hear of the loss of my sweet Barb! I was the housekeeper at Epiphany, Barb was always so welcoming a little knock at the door and her little voice come in and I would say it's me she would say well get in here! We would chat for a moment and I would get on with my cleaning! I would stop in unexpectedly! She loved every minute! She would always ask about my Mom same age as Barb, Mom is on dialysis! Barb would always say I feel so bad for your mom! such a caring person as I would clean, she would look at me and say you are going to be the first one in line in heaven! I'll never forget that she said it numerous times! I truly enjoyed what I did at Epiphany! I could go on and on, she will truly be so missed! Love to the family in such a difficult time! Together to the end! Housekeeper Sharon Brasuhn

Sharon Brasuhn - February 10, 2025 at 09:10 AM