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Barbara Jo Butler, age 84, passed away peacefully on June 30, 2025, at 8:30 p.m. at Amira Choice Senior Home in Plymouth, Minnesota, following a courageous 10-month battle with complications after hip surgery. She was surrounded by the love of her family as she found peace after months of extraordinary strength.

Born on February 5, 1941, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Barbara was the beloved daughter of Elayne Nord and Lawrence Walsh. She spent her childhood in Minneapolis and later in Golden Valley, where she made lifelong friends and developed a deep love for family, gatherings, and tradition.

In 1966, Barbara married the love of her life, Bob Butler. Together they built a beautiful life in Edina, Minnesota, where they lived for over 50 years and raised their family. Later in life, Barbara and Bob moved to a wonderful community in Maple Grove, where Barbara cherished lunch outings and social time with her beloved group of neighbor gals.

Barbara had a creative spirit and an entrepreneurial heart. For many years, she owned a bridal shop specializing in gown rentals-a perfect fit for her love of fashion and her talent in sewing. Her shop helped countless brides feel beautiful on their special day. In the later years of her career, she worked for HSN, where she continued to enjoy connecting with people and sharing her enthusiasm.

Barbara had a warm, welcoming presence and a natural gift for making others feel at home. She loved to entertain, host parties, and create joyful memories for her family and friends. Her favorite holiday was Christmas, which she began planning months in advance-complete with festive decorations, delicious hors d'oeuvres, and plenty of laughter. In true Barbara fashion, the Christmas meal was never served before 10 or 11 p.m., a charming tradition that will never be forgotten.

She also enjoyed sewing and found joy in creating handmade touches for her home and loved ones. But above all, her greatest joy was the people in her life-her family, her friends, and anyone lucky enough to cross her path.

Barbara is survived by her loving husband of 59 years, Bob Butler; her children Cheryl (Tom) of Maple Grove, Bob of Minneapolis, and Tom (Jolene) of Minnetonka; and her grandchildren Matt, Emily, Madison, and Abi. She is also survived by her stepsister Babette Walker, sister-in-law Gloria Walsh, brother-in-law Gary Butler, Nieces, Cousins and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother Elayne Nord, stepfather Ken Nord, father Lawrence Walsh, brother Bill Walsh, and sister-in-law Nancy Daniels.

Barbara's strength, humor, and kindness leave a lasting legacy. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

We know she's already planning a cocktail party in heaven-surrounded by old friends, music, and lots of laughter.

Funeral services will be held at Washburn-McReavy Glen Haven Chapel, 5125 West Broadway, Crystal, MN.

Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m., followed by the service at 11:00 a.m. and a reception at 12:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Memorial Service

JUL 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Crystal, MN 55429

Reception

JUL 7. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Jo Butler.*



July 06, 2025 at 01:47 PM



“ *Shar & Vern, Al, Lewis & Denise, Duane & Brenda purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Barbara Jo Butler.*



Shar & Vern, Al, Lewis & Denise, Duane & Brenda - July 05, 2025 at 10:35 AM



“ *We're so sorry about Barbara's passing. We'll remember her warm smile and friendliness.*
Lewis and Denise Weigel

Denise Weigel - July 03, 2025 at 06:00 PM