



Barbara M. Kast-Walton

April 30, 1934 - February 9, 2011

Age 76, passed away peacefully on February 9, 2011 surrounded by family in Mesa, AZ. Barb lived in Brainerd with her husband Richard Walton for the past six years. Prior to that she lived in Shoreview and Stillwater and was actively involved in those communities. Barbara graduated from St. Catherine University - School of Nursing. She was a gifted teacher of Certified Nursing Assistants at 916 Vo-Tech/Century College and authored two Nursing Assistant textbooks. She retired in 1997. Barb experienced great joy participating in several Elderhostel projects around the country and volunteered for many years at the Good News Project in St. Lucia. She especially enjoyed the break from Minnesota winters in Apache Junction, AZ with her husband and their many friends. She was preceded in death by first husband, Wayne G. Kast; parents Paul T. and Grace V. Arend. She is survived by her husband, Richard; children, Steve (Terri) of Cambridge, Kristine (John) Goulet of Shoreview, John (Teri) of Hugo, Wayne (Mary) of Stillwater, Joe (Tanya) of Hudson, WI; eleven dearly loved grandchildren; brother, Paul (Jean) Arend; and sisters, Virginia (Joseph "Burt") Cain, Maxine (Dan) Blommer, Marlene (Gilbert "Gib") Rowe, all from Minnesota. Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 AM (gathering begins at 10:00 AM), Friday, March 4 at ST. ODILIA CATHOLIC CHURCH, 3495 Victoria St., Shoreview. Family and Friends Gathering 4-8 PM Thursday, March 3 at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL FUNERAL HOME, 515 W. Hwy 96 at Mackubin, Shoreview (651-482-7606). A private committal service of her ashes will be at Roselawn

Cemetery. Special thanks to Copper Cottage Hospice House in Mesa, AZ and to all the people in Arizona for their support during her last peaceful days. Memorials preferred to GOOD NEWS PROJECT, INC. 1106 5th St., Wausau, WI 54403 (www.goodnewswi.com)

Tribute Wall

SB

“ We are deeply saddened by your loss. May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together, as you celebrate a life well lived.

I'll miss hearing her say "oh you girl's" and having a puzzle started for us to finish. Barb's gift of living life to it's fullest is forever etched in these and countless other memories. I was blessed to have known her and honored to be counted among those who will greatly miss her.

Peace, prayers and blessings.

Sheryl & Daryl Beck - March 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. My memories include fun times playing volleyball in Barb's yard in Stillwater in the 1970's. Lumberjack days were often celebrated at her home.

Greg Schmidt - February 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ Ginny and family. You have my sympathy and love. I know how much she meant to all of you. So hard to lose a close family member. Blessings, Aileen and Jim.

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JD

“ *My sincere sympathy to the family.*

I was a classmate of Barb in nurses training. We did all our services together as my last name was Arens. We had lots of good times even though we did have to work hard and we did not realize how hard hard was. It was a way of life and the nuns expected perfection! Oh my the nuns!

I only saw Barb at nursing gatherings after graduation as I lived in a small town. We always had fun gatherings. I also have 5 children and 11 grandchildren so we had that in common.

We all will miss her smile and kindness.

Janet

Janet Dysthe - February 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *Our deepest sympathies to the entire family. Our prayers are with you.*

Doug & Sandra Klatt - February 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *My heart goes out to the family and my prayers are with you all. My condolences on the loss of a great lady.*

Dolores Goldberg - February 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *As we have shared before, we feel that we lost a beautiful friend and that we will miss her immensely. We are grateful to God for the times we shared with her through these past years.*

May God bless you all during this sad time and may your memories of her stay with you forever.

Dave & Diane Hoiland - February 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM