



Barbara Frances Roskoph

July 22, 1942 - November 29, 2021

Barbara Frances Roskoph, 79, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, died November 29, 2021. She was born July 22, 1942 in Freedom Township, PA, to Frank and Bertha Rutsky. Although she was an only child, she had a large and loving extended family in Pennsylvania. Her father was of Polish descent and Barb was very proud of her Polish heritage. As a teenager, she moved to Ohio and lived most of her adult life in Euclid and Mentor. She was married to Charles Roskoph from 1964 until his death in 1996, and together they raised 2 daughters, Candace and Monica. When she retired in 2006, she moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan to be a hands-on grandma to her grandson, Elliot.

Barb graduated from Euclid High School and worked as a print typesetter for several publications including the News Herald and The Daily Legal News.

She was a devoted and generous mother and grandmother and a loyal friend with many lifelong friendships.

She was an animal lover and cared deeply about the humane treatment of farm animals, pets, and wildlife. She became a vegan over a decade ago to live consistently with those values.

Barb loved outings with friends and family to see live music, attend festivals, polka dances, and going out to eat ethnic food, especially Indian cuisine. An

Elvis fan, she was known for her collection of Elvis memorabilia and enthusiasm for Elvis impersonators. She had a quick sense of humor and appreciated comedy, and had a flamboyant side, expressed in her purple-streaked hair.

Even as she became limited by COPD over the last decade, her zest for life kept her active. She continued to travel, attend concerts, exercise, spend time with friends and family, and have “big fun” as she called it. She will be missed greatly.

Survivors include Candace Bramson (daughter), Eric Bramson (son-in-law), Elliot Bramson (grandson), Monica Derosier (daughter), Michael Derosier (son-in-law), and her partner of 23 years, William “Bill” Pachuta.

She was preceded in death by her parents Bertha and Frank Rutsky and her husband Charles Roskoph.

The family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, December 3, 2021 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral service to honor Barbara’s life will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Interment will be in Whitehaven Memorial Park, Mayfield Village, OH.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made in her memory to the Humane Society of Huron Valley at [https:// www.hshv.org](https://www.hshv.org), Humane Society of the United States [https:// www.humanesociety.org](https://www.humanesociety.org) or Polka Boosters of America [https:// polkaboosterclubamerica.com](https://polkaboosterclubamerica.com).

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Whitehaven Memorial Park

615 SOM Center Rd.
Mayfield Village, OH 44143
(440) 442-1400

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center created a Funeral Service in memory of Barbara Frances Roskoph*



Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center - December 04, 2021 at 12:44 PM

CP

“ *Barb was a shining example of goodness and grace. We were blessed to have known her. She will be missed.*

Carol and Dave Ponting

Carol and Dave Ponting - December 09, 2021 at 07:40 PM

AL

“ *I've known Barbara from Newcomers & Neighbors of Ann Arbor for many years. She was so sweet. We sat next to each other at some of our luncheons, and later she sent me some items for my collection of clothesline memorabilia. We are almost the same age, and I can't really believe that she is no longer here. May her memories remain a blessing to her family.*

Anne Lawrence

Anne Lawrence - December 05, 2021 at 11:03 AM

RS

“ To the family of Barbara Roskoph,

The members of Ruth Circle at Zion Lutheran Church, send their sympathy to Barbara's family. We always enjoyed seeing her at our meetings and enjoying her stories of all her travels.

*Ruth Circle
Zion Lutheran Church*

Ruth Smith - December 04, 2021 at 03:43 PM

MN

“ Hello Candace, Eric, Elliott and family: I'm thinking of you during this sad time.

*With love,
Mary Anne Nemeth
Ann Arbor, MI*

Mary Anne Nemeth - December 02, 2021 at 04:48 PM

LS

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I remember her from the exercise class at Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor MI. We were friends.
Condolences to Bill Pachuta and to all the family

*Lois Schlachter
Ann Arbor Michigan*

Lois Schlachter - December 02, 2021 at 07:52 AM

SC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a fun woman to be around. We have a lot of great memories of her visits to New Hampshire and the times we were together while you were in DC. Our deepest sympathies, much love, Sue and Gerry

Suzanne Carrier - December 01, 2021 at 08:06 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Barbara Frances Roskoph.*



December 01, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Frances Roskoph.*



December 01, 2021 at 02:43 PM