



Barbara Keller Youngblood

September 12, 1938 - August 6, 2019

Barbara Keller Youngblood, 80, of Dongola, passed away at 1:25am on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 with her family by her side at The Anchor at the Voyage in Marion.

She was born September 12, 1938 in Anna, the daughter of Earl "Fate" and Ruby (Newman) Dirden. She married Terry Keller on October 20, 1956. Terry preceded her in death on October 21, 2004. She later married Bobby Youngblood in February of 2007.

Barbara loved her church, sorority and the St. Louis Cardinals, but nothing was more important to her than her family and loving on them. She was an active member of the First Lutheran Church of Dongola. Barbara especially loved getting involved in Bible School and Easter Services, as these were special times at the church for her. She recently was recognized as a 50 year member of her sorority, Beta Sigma Phi, Xi Mu Lambda Chapter. Barbara retired from Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative where she had worked in resale and later bookkeeping.

Besides her husband, she is survived by her daughter, Deena Swink of Dongola. She was Grandmama to Cory Anthony Swink of Edgewater, NJ, Terry Caleb (Michelle) Swink of Carterville, Jordyn Bethany Rendleman and Jared Cory Rendleman both of Murphysboro, Lance CPL Johnny Caleb

Rendleman stationed in Yuma, AZ; great grandmama to Charli Dawn Swink, Colton Eli Swink, Legend Cory Lyle Rendleman. She is also survived by her sister, Gerri (Jim) Brown of Alto Pass; and nieces and nephews, including, Doug (Tracey) Brown and Laurie Turner.

Besides her husband, Terry, she was preceded in death by her parents; son-in-law, Dennis Swink; and brother, Earl J. Dirden.

Visitation will be held from 5:00pm to 8:00pm on Friday, August 9, 2019 and on Saturday until the time of service at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00am on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at the funeral home officiated by Deena Swink. Interment will follow at American Legion Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the First Lutheran Church of Dongola. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

American Legion

Dongola, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Dongola
106 NW Front St.
Dongola, IL 62926
866-592-7246
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Service

AUG 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Keller Youngblood*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Barbara was a very kind and loving person and she will be missed by many. I met her through Terry, and doing geneiology for the Youngbloods.*

Judy Dunn - August 10, 2019 at 10:34 AM



“ *Such a sweet lady, I will miss her. Prayers for her family*

Bonnie Dykstra - August 10, 2019 at 10:17 AM



“ *Such a sweet pretty lady. Prayers today for her family's comfort as they honor her life.*

Candi Brown - August 10, 2019 at 09:10 AM



“ *I had many wonderful memories growing up with my cousin Barb. She was such a lovely lady, RIP Barb.*

Alice Tucker - August 08, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Barbara Keller Youngblood.



August 07, 2019 at 01:08 PM



“ Though my words can do little, I hope my thoughts and prayers will support you during this time.

Lora Lewis Garner - August 07, 2019 at 11:41 AM



“ Barbara was one of the sweetest people I've ever known. She radiated love in everything she did. Anyone who knew her undoubtedly received a hug from her. I wonder how many hugs she gave people in the course of her life? She was a blessing to all.

Vickie Peeler - August 07, 2019 at 09:40 AM



“ Deena do sorry to hear about your mom my thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.

debbie spier dailey - August 07, 2019 at 07:40 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. My heart and prayers are with you. Barbara was a wonderful woman💕💕

Toni Capel - August 06, 2019 at 10:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Barbara Keller Youngblood.*



August 06, 2019 at 09:48 PM



“ *To Barbara's family. She was such a great person. We shared a grandma Dirden we both loved very much. As cousins we grew up together and we loved our big family. We were in the same class all thru school. Shared the same birthday almost. I will be 81 God willing the 11th of Aug. RIP Sweet Barbara your cousin Ruth Brasel Larson from Texas....*



Ruth S. Larson - August 06, 2019 at 07:46 PM