



Katherine Alma Barbaro

March 13, 1936 - June 29, 2015

Katherine A. (Dietz) Barbaro, 79, of Rockford, formerly of DeSoto, died June 29, 2015 in Amberwood Nursing Home.

She was born March 13, 1936 in DeSoto the daughter of George W. and Elsie E. (Dahmer) Dietz.

She married Frank Barbara in 1967; he predeceased her in 1989.

Katherine graduated from Carthage College in Kenosha, WI with a BS in education and then received her Masters of Education from Northern Illinois University. She worked as a teacher in Rockford School District 205 from 1968 until her retirement in 1992. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. She was involved in the Trinity WELCA, Guntar Circle, former member of the Senior Choir, the Archives Committee, and a board member with Northern Illinois Synod WELCA. She was also a member of the Illinois Education Association, National Education Association, Rockford Education Association Retired, and the Winnebago County Retired Teacher Association. She enjoyed bowling and was for several years a member of Women's Bowling Congress.

She is survived by her sister, Sylvia L. Jacobs of Marion; a brother, Lawrence Dietz; two step-sons; four step-grandchildren; nieces, Sharon Katt and Karen

(Steve) Palmer both of Woodlands, TX; nephews, George (Elaine) Jacobs of Marion and William (Carol) Jacobs of Auburn, WA; other relatives and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a brother-in-law; Elmer Jacobs and a sister-in-law, Janet Dietz.

Visitation will be at 10:00 am and the Memorial Service at 11:00 am, Saturday, August 15, 2015 at Indian Hill Cemetery in DeSoto. Inurnment will follow.

Memorials may be made to Indian Hill Cemetery.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Katherine Alma Barbaro*

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“ *We were so sorry to hear of Kathys passing. We will keep your family in our prayers.*

*Sincerely,
The Brandt and Sieffert Families (Kathys neighbors)*

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