



Barbara Amelia Hertzel

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Barbara Amelia (Gutowski) Hertzelt of Pineville, NC, born in Lackawanna, N.Y., left us on October 3, 2020, returning to the starry heavens. She is survived by 4 daughters, Karen Pratt (Bruce), Suzanne Hertzelt-Nelson (Paul deceased), Linda Hartkopf (Douglas), Deborah Hertzelt Curran (Hank Ervin), 8 grandkids and 3 great grandchildren. Barbara embraced life, loved her family, friends, community, good food, wine and an adventure. She was a faithful wife of 50+ years to the late Norman Hertzelt, as well as an active community leader, involved church member, business manager and mom. The Girls Scouts of America of Westchester County, NY, honored her 25 years of dedication as a leader and educator. An environmentalist, Barbara started the Lewisboro NY recycling center and could be found working in her garden, composting, cleaning up roadside litter or leading classes for the Poundridge Basket Town Garden Club. The PTA, Katonah Women Civic Club, Lewisboro Tennis League, and Jessie Lee United Methodist Church Alter Guild and church community missed her when they moved to the Charlotte, N.C. area.

She continued to be an active community member volunteering at the Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen, Davidson United Methodist Church Puppet Ministry, and several other organizations.

Barbara loved theater, experiencing the arts, antiquing and supported local theater productions. She was an avid reader, painter, incredible cook, loved to entertain and took an interest in whomever she spoke with.

A celebration of her rich life will be held at Davidson United Methodist Church in Davidson, NC on Saturday, November 7, 2020, at 2:00 PM.

Davidson United Methodist Church has COVID-19 virus precautions that requires those planning to attend the service will need to register online at <https://pastorstoolbox.com/save-a->



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In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, NY, NY or other organizations that supported her passions.



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BH

Becca Higgins posted:

Norman and Barbara were 2 of the nicest people we have had the opportunity to know. We met them after we had sold our property to their Dtr. and Son in Law ,Linda and Doug Hartkopf. We always enjoyed Norman's visits each time they came to Maine. They were very nice people and we will miss the visits and good advice Norman always shared .Our sincere condolences to the family for your loss.....fly high Barbara !

October 11 at 2:00 PM

AR

Arlene posted:

Barb was a special friend from HFFA and I will miss her. Arlene Lioy

October 11 at 10:30 AM

TC

Tanya Chartier posted:

Barb's smiling face and twinkling eyes greeted me each time we gathered together in our puppet ministry at Davidson United Methodist Church. Her warmth, peaceful nature, and consistent devotion to sharing God's love are memories of her that I will hold always. Rest in peace, Dear Barb, with your life partner Norm whose laughter I still can hear echoing in my memories. I know a reunion is taking place as we grieve your loss on earth. -- Tanya Chartier

October 9 at 12:48 PM



Tim Chartier posted:

Barb and Norm were very active in our puppet group at Davidson United Methodist Church (DUMC). When I think of Barb, I think of her kind, warm voice and how, even behind a puppet stage (as I was one of the puppeteers) you could hear the children smile. Barb lovingly found ways to support Norm's involvement in the puppet team. In their last shows, Norm would come with his oxygen machine. He'd perform with his booming voice even with the machine beside him. Their joy in their faith radiated their lives and through their puppets. I can hear Barb laughing at the children's responses to her puppets. I can see her smiling at Norm's laughter as the children engaged in the puppet stories. I miss them but am so pleased that they live actively in my mind with so many wonderful memories. -- Tim Chartier

October 9 at 11:42 AM



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Debbie Shutt posted:

Our family has fond memories of Barbara and Norm from the DUMC Puppet ministry. Such kind souls. Blessed to have known them and thankful they are together again. Debbie Shutt

October 9 at 11:31 AM



Kelley Fairchild posted:

I loved Ms. Barbara. She was such a joy to be around and she always had a sweet smile on her face. I loved seeing her come to church! Many prayers and love to you and the entire family, but I know she's dancing in Heaven now!!!!!! Can't wait to see her again. Love, Kelley Fairchild

October 9 at 10:32 AM



Michelle posted:

Heart broken

October 9 at 9:30 AM



Carolyn & Bob Gorman posted:

I first met Barbara here in Huntersville as a member of the 55+ senior group. We also went to Davidson Methodist Church and were part of a dinner group together. She was a warm, loving person and we will miss her. Bob & Carolyn Gorman

October 8 at 1:18 PM



Melissa Hart October 9 at 10:29 AM

I loved getting know Barb in our Davidson United Methodist Church puppet group. She and Norm were both so giving of their time and love to the children. We all just loved them. We will miss her, and will be thinking of her and Norm with the Lord.



Ginny Mccann October 8 at 4:31 PM

I first met Barb through Davidson United Methodist Church. She was active in the puppet ministry along with her husband Norm. We had many fun times together sharing the stories of our Lord and Savior with the children. Barb was a warm and caring individual and she will be missed by her friends and family. Ginny McCann



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John Carroll posted:

We were so very fortunate to have known her and Norm. One of the first people we had the pleasure to meet in the Centennial community. Enjoyed many senior trips and lunches with her. She was a kind and sweet lady. Rest In Peace. She is with her beloved husband now. Anita and John Carroll

October 8 at 11:36 AM




Jackie Zeisner-Meehan October 8 at 2:14 PM

We first met Barbara when we moved here to Huntersville 10 years ago through my Mom who was a member of the 55+ group in our Community. Barbara and several ladies played cards on Mondays with my Mom. She was very caring and concerned when my Mom became ill and passed away. Barbara was a sweet lovely lady and always a pleasure to talk to. May she rest in heavenly peace. Sending prayers to her family to get through this difficult time. Love Jackie and Jerry Meehan



Michelle posted:

Heart broken  Michelle

October 5 at 9:43 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Barbara by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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