



Barbara Jean Finch

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Ecclesiastes 3:

Verse 1: "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven;"

Verse 2: "A time to be born and a time to die and a time to plant and a time to uproot;"

Barbara was born September 14, 1934 in Lakeland, Florida. Named Barbara Jean Tuttle... nicknamed "Bobbie" and was called that until the move to Washington State in 1963. Seemed everyone then started to call her "Barbara". This continued until she moved to Puyallup in 2006; then suddenly most everyone decided to call her "Barb". She preferred to be addressed as "Barbara".

She peacefully went home to be with the Lord on May 8, 2022

She planted and uprooted her life and home in Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Scotland, Lakewood and Bothell Washington.

Verse 3: "A time to heal and a time to build;"

She had many opportunities to heal through the many health challenges she experienced over the years. Especially with heart issues like 3-way bypass, 3 stents, and a pacemaker. She was also a survivor of 5 different cancers.

She built her home in Puyallup upon retirement and built her spiritual life while being a part of First Baptist Church of Lakewood, Crosspointe Church in Bothell, and High Pointe Community Church in Puyallup.



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Verse 4: “A time to weep and a time to laugh and a time to mourn;”

It is said that “Laughter is the best medicine.”

Laughter was very much a part of her life. Laughter has been a major part of the High Pointe Solo activities producing many memories. She and her sisters, and other family members and friends especially her BFF Barbara Meek have made tons of memories through laughter.

She mourned the loss of her parents, her husband Homer Finch in 1986, oldest Son William Finch in 2004, her Daughter in law Cathy Finch and Granddaughter Rhonda Murray along with many friends.

Barbara is survived by: her Son Robert (Dave) Finch (Kathleen) of Tacoma...

4 Sisters: Keren Hilliard (Howard) of Huntsville, Alabama; Dorothy Lowery (Alvin) of Laquey, Missouri; Bonnie Sullivan of Crawfordville, Florida; Juanita Moore of Crawfordville, Florida.

4 Granddaughters: Cynthia Brown (Demetrius) of Spanaway, Washington; Rita Kelley (Michael) of Ocean Springs, Mississippi; Rhoda Carpenter (Lee) of Wilmer, Alabama; and Annie Brown (Aldevon) of Graham, Washington.

5 Grandsons: Brian Finch (Leah) of Spanaway, Washington; Gary Wahl (Kendra) of Rochester, Washington; Tony Wahl of Tacoma, Washington; Michael Wahl (Faith) of Lakewood, Washington and Robert Murray, Grandson in Law of Wilmer, Alabama.

Including Great Granddaughters and Grandsons, a Great-Great Granddaughter and Great-Great Grandson, Nieces, nephews, and many friends also, as “Adoptive” Grandma to 3 and a Great Grandma to 8 belonging to BFF Barbara Meek.

Viewing: June, 2nd - 12:00-4:00pm

Mountain View Funeral Home

4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW

Lakewood, Washington 98499

Celebration of Life Service: June, 3rd – 10:30am

High Pointe Church



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11501 224th Street East
Graham, Washington 98338

Reception: Following Celebration of Life Service

Procession to Grave Site Service: 1:30pm
Mountain View Funeral Home
4100 Steilacoom Blvd SW
Lakewood, Washington 98499

In lieu of flowers:

The family request donations be made to High Pointe Church
(Children's Ministry)



Events

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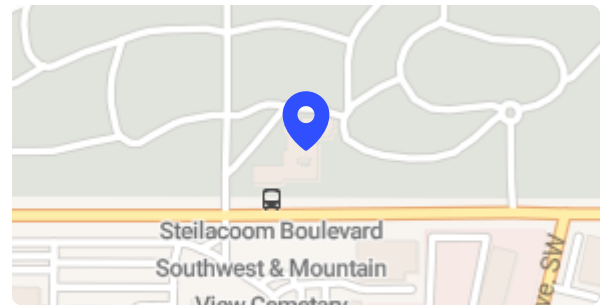
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Viewing

Thursday, June 2, 2022

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM PT

Mountain View Funeral Home & Crematory
4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Lakewood WA
98499

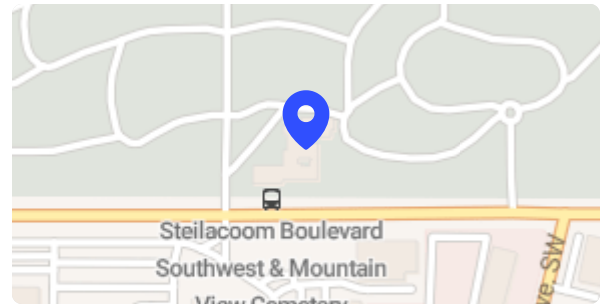


Graveside

Friday, June 3, 2022

2:30 AM - 3:30 AM PT

Mountain View Memorial Park
4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Lakewood WA
98499

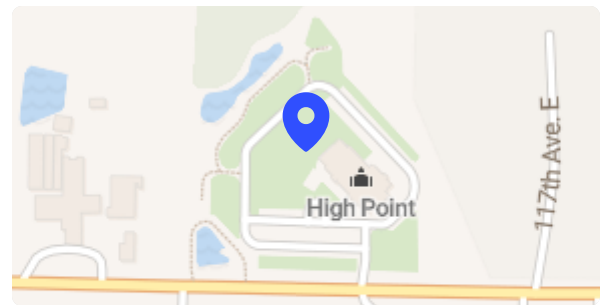


Celebration of Life and Reception

Friday, June 3, 2022

10:30 AM - 1:30 PM PT

High Pointe Church
11501 224th St E, Graham WA 98338





Tribute Wall

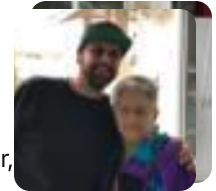
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FK

Fran Flegal Kirk shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

How do you put into words fifty years of memories?! Barbara has been apart of my life, for most of my life. There have been people, churches, conferences, church camps, Vacation Bible Schools, births, deaths, dinners, trips, tears, laughter, joys and disappointments shared together. In someway she was there: praying, comforting, sharing, counseling, encouraging - all through hugs, phone calls, visits, and cards. Her yearly Christmas letter was the start of the season for us. The thing I admire the most about Barbara was she lived what she believed. She loved! She loved God, her husband, her kids, her grandkids, her church, the people in those churches, and kids. She loved telling kids about how Jesus loved them. Then she showed what love looks like in action. Barbara's influence in my life, and the lives of my kids, changed us. She challenged us, and followed up with us. Her touch on our lives was significant!



May 29 at 3:13 PM

LS

Lou Ann Spencer lit a candle in honor of Barbara.

I will always remember the small surprise bags for Christmas with the story of Jesus on the candy cane or chocolates and some of the angels that came in the packages. Barbara always spread the word of Jesus especially during the holidays. She always knew how to lift your spirit when you felt down or missed your family when they live far away. Every time I see the Angels on our tree I will remember her and thank God for our friendship.



May 25 at 12:28 PM

CM

Cmeca sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Finch family.



May 24 at 9:31 AM

SW

Sharon Wallen posted:

Barbara was the first one I met when I moved to Puyallup 4 years ago. We met at the Y. She invited me to church and the Solo group. She has been such a blessing to me and I will always cherish the memories. Barbara has arrived to be with her Lord. We are looking forward to that day but until we get called to our Heavenly home we will rejoice she has made it safe. My condolences to all her Family and the Many Friends as we will miss her forever. I Love You Barbara.

May 18 at 1:50 PM



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Nancy Holt posted:

Sending prayers to Barbara's family and friends. I got to know Barbara while attending First Baptist Lakewood from 1971 to 1980. Have kept in touch with her over the years. She was a wonderful servant for our Lord and Savior. Blessings of Love to the family.

May 18 at 12:36 PM



Mary posted:

Barbara was a fearless Christian leader teaching many to help children in Sunday School and Bible School. She was an encourager and shared her love of Jesus.

May 18 at 3:46 AM



Alice Fong shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Barbara, we met around in 2007 and was fortunate to have you be a regular part of my life. Through my life's transitions I am glad you coordinated lunches so we can catch up and that we too had lunches together through the years. Thank goodness for email and Facebook so we can chat and keep up. Your strength, resiliency, and love for God is inspiring. I'll miss our chats, laughter, and the wisdom you share. Love you, Barbara.



May 18 at 3:00 AM



Alice Fong May 18 at 3:07 AM

Love and prayers to Barbara's family and friends.



Joy Bagley lit a candle in honor of Barbara.

I met Barbara Finch in the latter part of 2012, through my daughter who searched for a church for me after the loss of several family members. Barbara was the only person out of several to respond, and she never let go. I was resistant from isolation, but Barbara saw and understood my need and was the perfect tool from God to pull me out of my pit and get me to higher ground. Whenever I backed up, Barbara appeared on the scene to pull me forward. How many do that? She had keen perception to know when people were struggling. She was the true persona of Jesus in the flesh. In all my many years, I never encountered anyone like her—other than her dearest friend, her Elisha, Barbara Meek who wears her mantle. Thank you, Father God, for sending me Barbara Finch to enrich my life and the lives of many many others with Your touch of encouragement, hope, and true friendship. — You did well, Barbara!



May 18 at 2:40 AM



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BM

Barbara Meek posted:

My love and prayers for the family. I have 35 years of precious memories, trips together, laughter, and love. One time we were traveling and got on an elevator and we're so busy chit chatting that we never realized we pushed a button for the floor and the door was closed. We realized we went no where, we laughed so hard!!!

May 17 at 6:11 AM

AL

Alice May 18 at 2:54 AM

True friendship. I am glad you were able to have so many years together. What a blessing.

KB

Kim Berry May 18 at 12:30 AM

I've only known Ms. Barbara a short time but feel I've known her forever. She was my rock when I needed her most. My love and prayers to her friends and family.



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Barbara and Fran



Barbara and Jonathan



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Barbara and me at Bob's Place on 11.25.16



Memories only last if you share them

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



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