



Barbara Ann Crosby

December 14, 1936 - December 2, 2023

Legacy of Life

Just 12 days shy of her 87th birthday on December 2, 2023, the vivacious world traveler Barbara Ann Crosby went on to glory. Born on December 14, 1936, she was the second eldest child of Queen Esther Knight and Stephen Decatur Jasper.

Barbara Ann attended Richmond Public Schools and was a 1955 graduate of Maggie L. Walker High School where she was a member of the state championship girls' basketball team. After high school, she enrolled in the nursing program at the Medical College of Virginia (MCV) where she worked for 31 years of dedicated service, retiring in 1991 as a Neonatal ICU nurse.

In 1965 she and husband David Leroy Crosby welcomed the birth of their son Kenya A. Crosby. After retirement she worked part-time at Costco as a sampler where she met her friend, Mrs. Thomas C. Ruffin of Ruffin & Payne, Inc. Barbara went on to be Mrs. Ruffin's private duty nurse and companion until her in death.

She was a member of the United Order of Tents No. 580 and the Order of the Eastern Star of Virginia Chapter #1. In January 2013 Barbara aka "Lady Barbara" joined the Red Hat Society where she was a faithful member, never

missing a gathering until her health began to decline. Her chapter Virginia Crowns traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada with the Red Hatters where she met the National President personally. Barbara Ann was an avid and enthusiastic traveler, visiting more than half of our great states. Her international travels included Greece and Australia.

Since childhood she loved the movies; you could find her at the movies most Sundays after church. She stayed active exercising at the YWCA 2 to 3 days a week until her health declined. Barbara was a talented seamstress who made her own wedding gown. She was a financially responsible single mother who put a son through college while imparting those values to him. She proudly left this world debt free.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Cemetery

1401 S. Randolph Street
Richmond, VA 23220

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life

DEC 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Garland Ave. Baptist Church
2700 Garland Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Tribute Wall

AC

“ *Barbara was a neighbor in my neighborhood. As a child always remembered her always on the go dressed in white. I can hear her calling Marty to come home from outside. She was a very nice person*

Audrey Carn - December 14, 2023 at 09:40 AM

JG

“ *Enjoyed the fellowship with Barbara at Red Hat and AARP events, her warm spirit lives*



Julia Ganzie - December 11, 2023 at 01:20 PM

HW

“ *So sorry to hear of Barbara's passing, we were neighbors years ago and she could put together some of the best trips. My condolences to the family.*

Bernice Thomas

Hazel Elizabeth Walker-Hobson - December 08, 2023 at 07:12 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Crosby.*



December 07, 2023 at 04:49 PM

CE

“ *To My Aunt...words cannot express how I'm feeling right now... I've always admire your life, determination and your freedom to travel this world...I am going to miss you so much...No more suffering...Uncle Babra, Aunt Doris, my Mom (Margie) and now you were the glue of our families...May your soul Rest In Peace...Luv Cherylene*

Cherylene Edwards-Smith - December 07, 2023 at 02:49 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - December 07, 2023 at 12:19 PM