



## Barbara Ann Bunch

October 22, 1960 - March 15, 2018

Barbara Ann Bunch, 57, of Bloomington, passed away on Thursday, March 15, 2018 at IU Health Bloomington Hospital. She was born on October 22, 1960 in California, the daughter of Elijah G. Bunch and Julia M. (Prevost) Weihler.

Barbara graduated from Leo High School in Leo, Indiana and went on to graduate with her undergraduate degree in Sociology. During her undergraduate, Barbara worked for Wayne Township as a case worker. She went on to complete her graduate degree at Ball State University, where she obtained her Master's Degree in Sociology. Following graduation, Barbara began working in 1987 with Indiana University in the Registrar's Office as a Senior Analyst.

Barbara is survived by her siblings, Yvonne Frederick, Debra Cameron, Gayle Bunch and Kathy Abrao; mother, Shirley Bunch; step-siblings, Ron Imbody and Bob Heiser; nieces, Tara Brown, Lisa Kersey, and Carolyn Stanton; nephew, Jason Frederick; and closest friends, Doris and Charles Hahn.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 100 State Road 46, Bloomington. Family will receive friends from 3:00 until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Barbara's memory to Bloomington

Animal Shelter. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, have been entrusted with arrangements. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to Barbara's family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

"For a long time, she flew only when she thought no one else was watching" –  
B. Anderson

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 17. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

St Marks United Methodist Church  
100 State Rd 46  
Bloomington, IN 47408

## Service

MAR 17. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SE

“ Dear Barbara,

*I am shocked to learn that I cannot see you anymore in this world. Why didn't I write or call you while I could? How can I repay all the love and help you have given to me and my family?*

*I will miss you, very much. Please have peace in heaven.*

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**Seong-Deog** - October 04, 2018 at 03:33 AM

KA

“ *Barbie meant so much to me when I was a younger. When I was a teenager she rescued me from despair many times, showing me love and kindness when I was at my most vulnerable. She had no reason to do this except that she was just a very generous and loving soul. Years later, I am so sad to have just found out she passed and I wish I'd had a chance to say goodbye to her. Barbie, I want you to know how deeply you once touched and made my life better. Thank you for all the love you showed me when I most needed it. I'm so sad you're gone, but I know your spirit is in Heaven, soaring.*

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**Kathleen** - June 21, 2018 at 01:15 AM



Chrisandra  
Shelton

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of this. My deepest sympathy to the family. Barb was always such a sweet person and always smiling.*



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**Chrisandra Shelton** - May 02, 2018 at 06:16 PM

SB

“ Oh that smile. Becky was one of those rare people with a gift to make us all feel like we belonged. She was always so kind and welcoming to me at INAIR and AIR. I have special memories of her and will pay her kindness forward to others.

-Sarah

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**Sarah Bauer** - March 26, 2018 at 06:49 PM

JA

“ Deepest sympathies to Barb's family and friends. Barb was such a joy to be around and always brought fun to our department gatherings. At our Christmas parties, you never knew what fun gift she was going to bring to the white elephant, and I still laugh every Christmas at the "We are Santa's elves" singing hat that I inherited. Barb was always there to lend a helping hand either at work or for many who needed a place to stay. I loved hearing stories about the joys and tribulations of caring for grandma and her beloved dog Abby. Her laughter and warm heart will be missed!

~Julie



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**Julie Aders** - March 21, 2018 at 03:53 PM

PM

“ *Marsha and I remember celebrating a wonderful Thanksgiving with Barb in Chicago. She was a great friend to our family. We grieve her loss while know she has now found eternal peace. Her ebulant spirit will be missed. God Speed dear friend*

*Pat Moriarty & Marsha Hahn*

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**pat Moriarty** - March 18, 2018 at 08:59 PM

TH

“ *Deepest condolences to Barb's friends and family; We lost a very kind and generous soul. She was a cherished friend as well as the adoptive aunt to my two girls when we lived in Bloomington, far from our families. We had lots of fun and good memories over the years...she would always argue with me over pizza because I preferred veggie pizza but she was convinced I was only doing it for her...she took my daughters out to eat at a restaurant known for their steaks, where she ordered the veggie platter and my daughters ordered mac & cheese (and enjoyed their rollss)...our practical jokes in our office...our AIR conference trips...cooking in our office...walking and playing with our dogs...her infectious smile and personality. You will be missed, but always loved, Barb.*

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**Tina Hertel** - March 18, 2018 at 12:39 PM

JT

“ *Joce T lit a candle in memory of Barbara Ann Bunch*



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**Joce T** - March 17, 2018 at 07:16 PM

TH

“ *Deepest sympathy to Barb's many friends, colleagues, and family. Such a kind, generous soul who often put others before herself. She became my daughter's adopted aunt when we lived in Bloomington since our family was so far away. Some memories I will always cherish...arguing with her because I really wanted a veggie pizza while she insisted I was doing that just for her...taking my daughters to Texas Roadhouse (known for its steaks) where she had the veggie platter and my daughters had mac & cheese & lots of their rolls...playing practical jokes in our office...AIR conference trips...her traffic violations...and of course, her love of animals.*

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**Tina Hertel** - March 17, 2018 at 05:36 PM



“ *Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Bunch.*



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March 17, 2018 at 11:12 AM

KH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Barb's family and friends during this difficult time. Barb was a very good friend to my family and I, and she always welcomed you with a warm smile.*

*Kareem*

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**Kareem Howell** - March 17, 2018 at 11:01 AM

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“ *Aspire CPAs - Bev Nead, Tom Comisso and Staff purchased the Simply Lily for the family of Barbara Ann Bunch.*



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**Aspire CPAs - Bev Nead, Tom Comisso and Staff** - March 17, 2018 at 10:35 AM



“ *Lavender & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Bunch.*



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March 17, 2018 at 08:24 AM

PC

“ *Oh how you will be missed, Barb. You left us much too soon. So glad I got to see you in December. You touched so many, helped others relentlessly and enjoyed life!*

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**Paul M Chandler** - March 17, 2018 at 02:57 AM



“ *Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Bunch.*



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March 17, 2018 at 02:52 AM

AR

“ *Barb touched so many lives. I was one of the many IU grads that she helped grow, learn and mature. When I started as a work study in the Registrar’s office God put an angel in my life named Barb. The list is endless of the things she did for me and many others. And any time I tried to repay her she said watch the movie Pay It Forward and promise me that is what you will do. She is evidence that good people still exist in this world. Kind hearted people that just want this world to be a better place. I love you so much Barb! Rest in God’s arms.* ”



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**Anetra R** - March 17, 2018 at 01:11 AM

PC

“ *Dear Shirley, Ron and Bob, How well I know how much Barbara will be missed. It seems like only yesterday she was in Angie's wedding. Now they are together once again. My prayers and thoughts are with each of you and God's blessing be with you in the coming days.* ”

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**Phyllis Caywood** - March 16, 2018 at 10:55 PM

JO

“ *Barb - True friends are hard to find, difficult to leave and impossible to forget! May you be at peace now. Love, JoJo and Shawn* ”

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**Joanne** - March 16, 2018 at 08:03 PM

AA

“ *Barb... I found out on top of a mountain overlooking Cherokee country. I felt your spirit soaring. Fly, dear one.* ”

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**April Armstrong** - March 16, 2018 at 06:54 PM

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“ Oh, Barb, you will be missed so much. You are in our hearts forever; how lucky we are to have had you in our lives.  
Shelley and Greg

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**Shelley Hahn** - March 16, 2018 at 03:58 PM