



## Carol Barnhart Cross

May 19, 1953 - December 3, 2021

Carol Barnhart Cross, 68, of Bloomington passed away on Friday December 3, 2021 at the IU Health Bloomington Hospital. She was born on May 19, 1953 at Scotts Air Force Base, Illinois the daughter of Frank and Marjorie (Duncan) Barnhart.

Carol was a 1971 graduate of Bloomington High School and attended Lincoln College in Lincoln , Illinois. She worked for Bloomington Animal Care and Control animal shelter and Delilah's Pet Shop for many years and worked as an office assistant at Batchelor Middle School in Bloomington. Carol was a member of St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church.

Carol was known for her love for her pets and animals, music, working puzzles, reading, watching TV Crime Dramas, show jumping with her horse Ranger when she was younger, and she especially loved her family and friends. She will be greatly missed.

Carol leaves behind her son, Jared Cross of Bloomington; her father, Frank (Pat) Barnhart of Bloomington; her fiancé, Angel S Rivera Jr of Bloomington; her brother, David (Linda) Barnhart of Ohio; a sister, Julie (Tony) Abel of Anderson; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Marjorie Barnhart; her husband, Robert Cross; two infant sons, Jared Cross and Danny Cross.

A memorial service will be held at 6:00pm on Friday December 10, 2021 at the Allen Funeral Home 4155 S, Old St Rd 37 Bloomington. Visitation will be held Friday from 4:00 PM to service time at the funeral home. Cremation Rites

have been accorded.

in lieu of memorial contributions in her honor may be made to the Monroe County Humane Association or Pets Alive.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory have been entrusted with arrangements.

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 10. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Memorial Service

DEC 10. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

Patrick  
Duncan

“ *Sending love to the Cross Family and all Barnharts. Loved my older cousin very much and so glad to have connected with her again before the end. Love to Carol.*



*From Patrick Duncan and family.*

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**Patrick Duncan** - December 10, 2021 at 05:31 PM

FC

“ *In her role as wife, mother, and friend Carol touched so many lives. We knew Carol through our son's friendship with her son Jared. They became friends playing card games at the Avalon gaming store in town. They went on to become college roommates and Frankie roomed with Jared again while he was attending IU. What better testimony to one's value in this world than to raise a terrific child, and we think the world of Jared.*

*The year the boys started college, the school was offering a gift basket to new students. Carol contacted us to make sure that Frankie would get a gift basket and she offered to pay for it herself if we couldn't. Cindy and Carol enjoyed a visit to the school together and over lunch talked about their sons. It was obvious that Carol had a deep love for her family. Later, Carol sat with Frankie's father at the urgent care when Frankie became ill. She was very concerned and her presence was a big comfort. Everyone knows that Carol loved animals and that love is carried on by her son. We want to express heartfelt condolences to all of those whose lives were touched by Carol, who loved her, and who will miss her.*

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**Frank & Cindy** - December 10, 2021 at 09:46 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Carol Barnhart Cross.*



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December 10, 2021 at 09:38 AM



“ *Hello I'm bob cross niece, I met carol and are relationships just took off , she was my birthing coach for all three of my children. Her son jarod and my daughter played together while I went and looked for a job . We grew really close and I loved her so much . Her music , her love for animals, . After taking care of uncle bob all those years till she started getting sick, I recently was going to her new place to take care of her , we had a conversation about sailing and how I wanted to experience it at least once . And she said why didn't you tell me I can make that happen I love you so much*

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**lynnA. sample** - December 09, 2021 at 08:24 PM



“ *Carol and I survived the preschool and grade school years supporting one another as our three boys chased ghosts as ghostbusters. Carol had a joyous heart and always fun. One very hot summer day we loaded the boys up to buy a wading pool and tied it to the roof of her Buick. Carol looked at me and said it's so hot even my car is wearing a sun hat. We also had great fun capping in Michigan and mccormicks park. I'm sure carols dog Odie is happy to see her. Love to Jared and her family and friends. Jill budnick*

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**Jill Budnick** - December 08, 2021 at 10:02 AM



“ To Carol's family. We are so sorry to hear of the loss of Carol. My husband and I went to school at BHS with her. My husband graduated the same year as her and I was a year younger but we had a couple of classes together. We had some great times. She always talked about her horses and her love of animals. We were both cat lovers. We adopted one of our cats from her a few years after we got married and had that cat for 20 years. We haven't seen Carol for years but have several memories of her. Sending lots of prayers, love and hugs to all of her family. Keeping all of you in our prayers. Brenda and Steve Hanners.

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**Brenda Hanners** - December 07, 2021 at 08:37 PM

DB

“ Carol was my neighbor at Park Ridge Apartments when I was attending IU in the mid 70's. I have fond memories of hanging out with Carol and her pets Sasha and Sadie. I also remember going with her to take care of her horses (at a house on Smith Rd?). I've recently moved back to Bloomington and thought about tracking her down to reconnect. Wish that I hadn't procrastinated. I'm sorry for your loss.

*Debbie (Lemen) Bishop*

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**Debbie Bishop** - December 07, 2021 at 01:04 PM

EZ

“ My memories of Carol are mostly from when she was a spirited, passionate teen in love with her horses and with her beloved Beatles. She was our "cool cousin." It was a delight to reconnect with her over social media in the last few years of her life and to see that her love for animals and the joy she took from the day-to-day had not dimmed. My heart goes out to the entire extended family. Thoughts of her will be a blessing in the years ahead. -- Eric Zorn/Chicago

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**Eric Zorn** - December 07, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Carol Barnhart Cross.*



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December 07, 2021 at 09:43 AM