



Barbara A. Broman

April 1, 1930 - July 17, 2017

Barbara A. Broman, 87, of Bluffton passed away Monday evening, July 17, 2017, at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

She was born on April 1, 1930 in Anderson, Indiana to Everett & Nellie May (Swain) Hunt. She married Ralph Anton Broman on December 25, 1951 in Richmond, Indiana, and he preceded her in death on December 19, 2011.

Barbara graduated from Anderson High School in 1948, attended Ball State Teachers College and Indiana University in Fort Wayne. She worked as a Reference Librarian at Wells County Public Library from 1963-1965, and worked in the personnel office at Kitco Co. in Bluffton from 1972 to 1990. She was appointed by the Governor to serve on The Private Industry Council of Job Training Partnership Act. She was a member of the Foltz Literary Club and the League of Women Voters.

Barbara is survived by four sons; David Alan Broman (Joyce Cylkowski) of Kokomo, Indiana; Robert Eric Broman (Karen) of Mequon, Wisconsin; Nelson Arthur Broman (Linda) of Bluffton, Indiana; Carl Edward Broman (Ellen Herbener) of Chicago, Illinois; one daughter, Nancy Christina Leonesio (Paul) of Mebane, North Carolina; a brother Max Hunt (Janet) of Anderson, Indiana. She was a loving Gramma Barb to nine grandchildren: Corey (Amber) Broman, Joseph (Traci) Broman, Amberly (Wayne) Wyatt, Eric (Brittany) Broman, Benjamin (Anneliese) Broman, Royal and Mariah Broman, Angela (Casey) Morgan, Allison (Drew) Clark, and eleven great-grandchildren: Adam Walker, Mackenzie, Aiden, and Karlie Broman, Alexis & Eli Wyatt, Rick

Smothers, Elise & Trek Morgan, Nora & Calvin Clark.

Barb is also survived by a special caregiver Laura Werling of Ossian.

She is preceded in death by four sisters: Caroline Gacharna, Eleanor Baker, Phyllis Tranbarger, Joanna Busby and three great-grandchildren; Chandler and Sierra Walker and Khloe Broman.

Calling hours will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. on Thursday at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton and for one hour prior to the service. A service celebrating Barbara's life will be held 10:30 on Friday (July 21, 2017) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Pastor Caleb Reynolds will officiate. Burial will follow in the Garden of Chimes at Elm Grove Cemetery. Preferred memorials can be made to the Wells County Public Library Endowment Fund in care of the Wells County Foundation or Friends of Ouabache State Park.

Online condolences may be made at www.thomarich.com. Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home are in charge of the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

Visitation

JUL 21. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life Service

JUL 21. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara A. Broman*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - July 20, 2017 at 01:07 PM



“ *Barbara A. Broman*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *To Barbara's Family, I am so sorry to learn of Barbara passing. She was a fun person to know, and I enjoyed many times talking and sharing interesting facts about horticultural subjects with her at our old Bluffton Garden Club meetings. She was a real jewel.
Fondly, BJ Gray*



BJ Gray - July 22, 2017 at 01:28 PM



“ *Nancy & family - so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. May you find comfort in your memories during this time of grief.*

Kathy Reiff Foreman

Kathy - July 21, 2017 at 10:35 AM



“ *Silver Victorian Tear Bottle with FREE Matching Tray was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Broman.*



July 21, 2017 at 12:31 AM



“ *Nancy, David, Bob, Nelson, and Carl*
We were very sorry to hear of Barbara' passing. She was a fantastic neighbor to at least one shy newcomer to the neighborhood. She was a great wife, mother and friend, especially to our parents. Reading the obituaries it was easy to see why our parents became friends. They had the same mindset of what was important and what wasn't. Wife/husband first, second was kids. That showed again in the number of grandkids they each had.,not to mention greatgrandkiddies. Haveing just gone though this when dad (Paul F Hughes) passed away 6/7/17. We wanted to share with you that things will get better, but never go away. Remember the good, and let it outweigh the bad. And friends are never far away if you need then. It looked like your parents almost made 60 years? Mom an dad made 65 but weren't able to really celebrate. We plan to get together 9/9/17 weekend to celebrate with mom in style and remember the good times. You are more than welcome to join us in this celebration of love ❤️



debi hughes frederick - July 20, 2017 at 10:56 PM

DF

“ Nancy and Bob, I have such fond memories of your family and especially your mother. She made a shy quiet "new girl" in town feel welcome in the neighborhood and at her house. They broke the mold after her, she was one in a million. My thoughts are with you all. Love Debi



Debi Hughes Fredeick - July 20, 2017 at 09:47 PM

CG

“ I have very fond memories of Barbara and the entire Broman family. Barbara always welcomed me into her home and extended hospitality to me with a smile. She never seemed “flustered” by Bob and my “adventures”. I remember a couple times, Bob and I made “ali-burgers” - (no idea where we got the name). She let us use her kitchen and even helped us in the process – even though we probably made a mess and only cleaned it up half-heartedly. Another time, Ralph showed Bob and me how to create oxygen in a test tube and collect it in a milk jug (handy to have a chemistry teacher in the family :-). We added propane to the jug, a rag wick and lit it! (Ask Bob the result. :-). Barbara just smiled and exclaimed about how loud it was. She probably just chalked it up to having five adventuresome children – and friends.

*Denise and I extend our deepest sympathies and prayers for your entire family at Barbara’s passing.
Chip and Denise Ginn*

Chip Ginn - July 20, 2017 at 01:29 PM



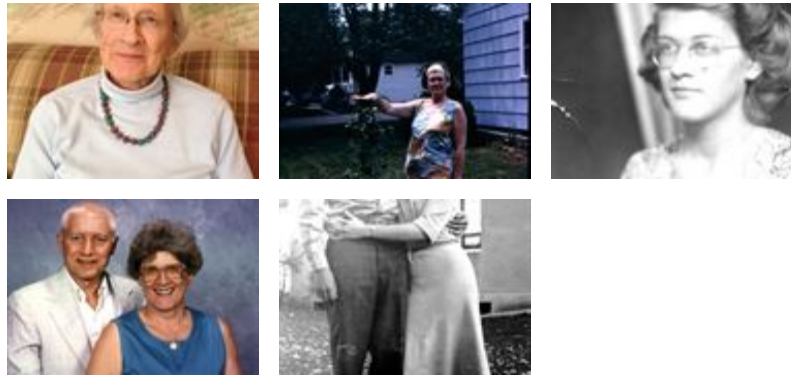
“ Love's Embrace Roses – Red was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Broman.



July 20, 2017 at 10:03 AM



“ 76 files added to the album Life Tributes



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - July 19, 2017 at 04:08 PM



“ Rita (Miller) Atherton lit a candle in memory of Barbara A. Broman



Rita (Miller) Atherton - July 19, 2017 at 03:43 PM

DM

“ Nancy,

I am so very sorry to hear that your mother passed way. She is a wonderful woman and always welcomed me into your home while we were in school together. I just lost my father last week and know the feeling of the loss of a parent. My prayers are with you and your family that you will find comfort in knowing that she is now with your father.

Doug Myers

DOUG MYERS - July 19, 2017 at 02:37 PM

JK

“ Joan Kelly lit a candle in memory of Barbara A. Broman



Joan Kelly - July 19, 2017 at 12:33 PM



“ White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Broman.



July 19, 2017 at 09:40 AM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – White was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Broman.*



July 18, 2017 at 10:51 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Broman.*



July 18, 2017 at 10:04 PM