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Barb Barnes Tribute
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Barbara J. Barnes, 68, of Orland Park, died January 12 of COVID-19. Despite being fully vaccinated, chronic asthma contributed to the virus's devastation. Barb was born March 28, 1953 in Youngstown, Ohio, the eldest child of William C. and Ruth Jones Barnes. She graduated from Girard High School in 1971 and earned both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois. She taught elementary school for 35 years at Homer Glen School District until retirement in 2013. Vibrant and active, she was an avid traveler, photographer, cyclist, church volunteer, and organizer of family gatherings. Barb was an active member of Church of the Transfiguration (Palos Park), the Joliet Bicycle Club, Lyric Opera, and the Welsh Cambrian Society of Chicago. She is survived by her father William C. Barnes, sister Judith Barnes (Brian Bernhardt), brothers Phillip Barnes (Janet) and Will Barnes (Jane), nieces Julia Krakauer (Max) and Jessica Barnes, aunt Barbara Jones, and cousins here and in the U.K. She is also survived by her dearest long-time partner Roger Stoub and his children Travis, Brad, Natalie, Gavin, Dayna and their families. A memorial service will be held in the future. Memorial gifts may be made to the Church of the Transfiguration, 12219 S 86th Ave., Palos Park, IL 60464.



Quotes from Members about Barb

“Barb and Roger went on a ski trip with the ski club to Banff a few years ago. Wonderful lady, certainly lived life to the fullest.”

“Barb Barnes was an extremely kind and polite person. She will be missed.”

“Barb will be greatly missed. She was a beautiful person inside and out.”

“Rode many miles on the bike and skied with her on many trips with the ski club. I very much enjoyed the reports she made on the biking trips she and Roger took to Europe. Barb will be missed.”

“Condolences Roger and Barb's family. Barb always was one of JBC's greatest Presidents and supporters. One final Hug a Biker Hug Barb. Rest in Peace.”

“What a sad day for our club today with the passing of our dear friend. This is how I want to remember Barb B - enjoying a High Tea at Lake Louise in Banff, Alberta, Canada, with the Joliet Ski Club. Rest in peace.”

“She was a lovely lady. So sorry to lose her. We always enjoyed her company.”

“We are so sad to hear this news. Bill and I have known Barb for a long time. She will be missed very much by her many friends .”

“While most of us know Barb Barnes as an avid biker, she was also a member of the Joliet Ski Club. Here is Barb with fellow JSC members on an ice sculpture tour at Lake Louise. Barb ventured out of her comfort zone on that trip and even did a helicopter tour! Let's remember our fond, beautiful memories of great times with this wonderful, fun lady. We will sure miss her.”

“Barb was special. A dedicated Teacher. She was fun and funny. She was precise and diplomatic. She shared her knowledge and her easy friendship. She was a great person to bike with and never left anyone behind. She had a beautiful home, feminine and neat as she was. Roger made her glow. I will miss her deeply. God bless you dear Barb.”

“It’s hard to put words to my thoughts & feelings. There are so many memories of bike trips with Barb; AIBR, GITAP & a road trip to bike the Finger Lakes- Bon Ton Roule Bike Tour. I know she will be missed by many. My heart goes out to Roger & Barb’ family.”

“I remember her as kind and funny lady. She will be missed.”

“Totally lovely amazing woman. Jim and I are so very sorry for your loss.”

“I am so sorry to hear about our loss. Barb was so much fun to be with, I had the pleasure of riding with her in Door County on many different occasions. I will definitely miss her, but will never forget her. Wish Roger and his Family the very best.”







Cheers







**Play Hard
Rest Hard**





The
many
facets
of Barb!





















Thank you to everyone for your contributions of pictures and your out-pouring of love and admiration for Barb.

JBC will miss you dear friend. We all have fond memories that we can draw on to permeate the sadness and bring smiles to our faces.

Barb was a long time JBC member, former JBC President, and a cycling advocate.