



Barbara Dryden

March 1, 1935 - June 19, 2009

On Friday, June 19, 2009, Barbara Rollyson Dryden passed away at Greater Baltimore Medical Center, Baltimore, Maryland after a brief struggle with pneumonia. She was surrounded by her family and her beloved husband of over 50 years, Bob.

Born on March 1, 1935 in Akron, Ohio, Barbara was the second daughter of Hugh F. and Bessie M. Rollyson. Her childhood was spent in her hometown of Gassaway, West Virginia, where she graduated from Gassaway High School in 1952. After receiving her B.A. in English in 1956 from West Virginia University, she moved to Washington, D.C. to teach junior high school, where she met the love of her life, Robert T. Dryden. They married in 1958 and moved to Bob's hometown, Easton, Maryland, where they lived until the time of her death.

Mrs. Dryden taught High School and Middle School English for a total of almost 30 years in Talbot County. After her retirement from teaching in 1995, Mrs. Dryden and her husband traveled extensively and enjoyed wine tastings with the Eastern Shore Wine Tasting Society. Mrs. Dryden was an active member and volunteer at Christ Church in Easton and is the past President of the Easton chapter of the American Association of University Women. Prior to her illness, she enjoyed aerobic dancing classes at the Easton Y.M.C.A.

In addition to her husband, Bob, Mrs. Dryden is survived by her two children, Julia Dryden English of Phoenix, Maryland and Robert H. Dryden of Glenmoore, Pennsylvania; her son-in-law, Dr. Evan English; her daughter-in-law, Janice S. Dryden; and her five grandchildren, Lynn Dryden, Benjamin English, Laura Dryden, Jonathan English, and Scott Dryden. She is predeceased by her sister, Joanne Withrow.

The family will be receiving friends at the Dryden home, 707 Elwood Avenue, Easton, Maryland from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Monday, June 22, 2009. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at Christ Episcopal Church, Easton, Maryland, with interment following the service at Greenmount Cemetery in Baltimore, Maryland.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made to the Arthritis Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Dryden*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Barbara Dryden*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Barbara Dryden*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I remember Barbara with great respect as she pursued her teaching career at Easton Middle School. She touched many lives with her genuine love for others. My heart goes out to Bob and family with prayers.##imported-begin##Ken Evans##imported-end##*

June 25, 2009 at 08:05 PM



“ Dearest Bob, Julie, and Bob,

My little sister Earleen just now saw the notice of this and informed me. (Long time since we have met - we are the children of Lanny and Vee Chilton, and i have legally changed my name). Our prayers are very much with you all. God bless you, and may the warm, rich, and fond memories of dear Barbara (your beloved Wife and Mother) warm and comfort you.

Earleen lives in Trappe, MD and i am in Vienna Virginia. Please contact me. We would love to see you, and have spoken of and remembered you often. We have very fond childhood memories of being with your lovely family. With love and Prayers, - vijay###imported-begin##Vijaya Vinita Channahsarah (daugheter of Lanny & Edith Vee)###imported-end##

June 23, 2009 at 06:53 PM



“ *I remember Barbara with great fondness during my years at Christ Church. She was a lovely person, always with a friendly smile and kind word, and a real asset to the community. I know that her presence will be missed by many. May God give you strength and peace in this time of loss.###imported-begin##Ranee Reitz###imported-end##*

June 23, 2009 at 12:32 PM



“ *You've left lots of memories Barbara all of them good ones. Rest in peace dear friend.###imported-begin##Dot Davis###imported-end##*

June 22, 2009 at 09:43 PM



“ *Please accept our heartfelt condolences for your loss. We will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

Frank and Jamie Gunsallus###imported-begin##Frank Gunsallus III###imported-end##

June 22, 2009 at 02:04 PM