



## Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach

April 13, 1950 - October 30, 2020

Rev. Barbara (Bobbie) Rambach passed away on October 30, 2020 after a long battle with cancer. She was born on April 13, 1950 and grew up in Boonton, New Jersey. Her parents were Raymond Bell Davidson and Louise Borgstrom Davidson. She was married to Gilbert Rambach in 1973. Moving seemed to define their lives, first as a young couple starting careers and later when Bobbie was called to the ministry. Pastor Bobbie served in 5 churches in the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church including Forked River UMC, Red Bank UMC, Manasquan UMC, Morrow Memorial UMC in Maplewood, Bound Brook UMC, and became District Superintendent of the Raritan Valley District. Her final assignment as she entered retirement was to minister to 3 churches in Vermont; North Hero UMC, Isle La Motte UMC and Grand Isle, UMC. Prior to ordination, she was choir director at Heritage UMC in Ligonier, PA ,and Director of Christian Education at Tower Hill Presbyterian Church in Red Bank, NJ. and Oakhurst UMC.

Bobbie graduated from Beaver College as a music major and New Brunswick Theological Seminary (M.Div.) and Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC where she pursued doctoral studies. She made a difference in so many lives through her spiritual guidance, her zest for life and her love of God and humanity. As one congregant stated "More than a preacher, more than a pastor, more than a musician, more than a leader, she had been a

trusted friend with a welcoming nature, supportive perspective and predisposition not to criticize or judge.”

In addition to her husband, Bobbie is survived by three sisters: Janice Fandrlick of Richardson, TX, Elsa Jean Brancalone (Francis) of White Plains, NY, Elizabeth Peters(Alan) of Andover, VT., 5 nieces and 5 nephews, many great nieces and nephews and two first cousins, Howard Borgstrom and Dr. Elisabeth Simms who were so helpful during Bobbie’s final days. She is also survived by her dog, MacDuff, who never left her side.

Services will be held in both New Jersey and Maryland. A funeral service will be held at Morrow United Methodist Church in Maplewood, New Jersey on November 21 at 11am. A service will also be held at the Presbyterian Church of Chestertown on December 5 at 11am.

# Previous Events

## Service

NOV **21**. 11:00 AM.

Morrow United Methodist Church  
Maplewood, NJ

## Service

DEC **5**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Presbyterian Church of Chestertown  
905 Gateway Drive  
Chestertown, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - December 05, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ *Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach.*



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December 03, 2020 at 02:38 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach.



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December 02, 2020 at 09:49 PM



“ *Bobbie was a wonderful cousin and accompanied her sister Elsa at our wedding in 1974. We have posted a picture of her at the organ, with Elsa. The song was "Let the Bright Seraphim..." We will miss her very much and send our love to Gil. Howard and Carol Borgstrom*

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**Howard G Borgstrom** - November 16, 2020 at 09:39 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Howard G Borgstrom** - November 16, 2020 at 09:36 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Janice** - November 13, 2020 at 10:36 PM

GR

“ *Gil Rambach was added to the Family Tree.*

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**Glenn Rambach** - November 06, 2020 at 01:09 AM

KM

“ *Such fond memories from UMYF in Oakhurst, NJ. Thank you, Bobbie, for your leadership and friendship. Such a great lady with an infectious laugh. Picture is probably from 1987.*



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**Kristin Menefee** - November 05, 2020 at 08:13 PM

MC

“ *Bobbie was the most wonderful Pastor I served under as Choir director/ organist. And I served under her in two churches. She was my Rock, my friend, and my confidant. And Gil was the best support ever.*

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**Mark Cook** - November 05, 2020 at 04:48 PM

JL

“ *Bobbie helped change the world. As Youth leaders, both Bobbie and Gil were an important part of my upbringing. Although we've lost touch over the decades, their positive influence in the way I live my life and interact with others has never lost steam. Thank you, Bobbie and Gil. — Jodi Landis*

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**Jodi Landis** - November 05, 2020 at 12:51 PM

BP

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Betty Peters - November 04, 2020 at 11:51 AM

BP

“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album



Betty Peters - November 04, 2020 at 11:40 AM

GR

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Glenn Rambach - November 03, 2020 at 02:29 AM

JK

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Jessica Kirkland** - November 02, 2020 at 09:43 PM

GR

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



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**Glenn Rambach** - November 02, 2020 at 02:52 AM

CG

“ Remembering the light Bobbie and Gil brought to the house when we celebrated Aunt Beth's and my mom's (Carol's) birthdays last Thanksgiving as Uncle Larry lay resting in the next room.



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**Christine Gordon** - November 01, 2020 at 07:35 PM

BP

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



**Betty Peters** - November 01, 2020 at 04:48 PM

BP

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



**Betty Peters** - November 01, 2020 at 04:38 PM

LB

“ *It was only recently I had the privilege to meet Mrs. Bobbie while I helped her in her last week's of life. However it is a time that touched my heart forever. She was strong, caring, detailed, more concerned with others well being than herself. The love she had for others and life in general was profound. God gained a special Angel 10/30/2020.*

**Lynn Beasley** - November 01, 2020 at 06:31 AM

DH

“ *Denny And Judy Hickman lit a candle in memory of Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach*



**Denny and Judy Hickman** - October 31, 2020 at 05:03 PM

DS

“ *Dave And Donell Smith sent a virtual gift in  
memory of Reverend Barbara Anne Rambach*



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**Dave and Donell Smith** - October 31, 2020 at 02:02 PM