



Barbara Gorsuch Reisinger

July 22, 1941 - October 24, 2023

EASTON, Maryland – Barbara G. Reisinger passed away on October 24, 2023, at Bayleigh Chase in Easton. Barbara was a “people person” first and foremost. She was a loving wife, supportive mother and very proud grandmother. Born to Dorothy and R. LeRoy Gorsuch in Baltimore on July 22, 1941, Barbara attended Baltimore County Public Schools. During her teenage and young adult years her summers were spent as a counselor at Camp Red Wing in Plattsburgh, New York. She maintained decades long friendships with many women from Camp Red Wing, attending reunions years after the camp had closed.

Barbara attended Baltimore Junior College and worked for WJZ TV before marrying her husband, John Rowland, on February 6, 1995. Barbara and John had 56 very happy years together until his death in June of 2021. Following John’s graduation from the University of Maryland and completion of U.S. Coast Guard Officer Candidate School, they lived in Boston and Mt. Desert Island, Maine. While in Boston, Barbara gave birth to their daughter, Karen Rebecca, and Barbara made another life-long friend who was also a new mother.

Barbara, John and Karen returned to Maryland in 1969. They lived in Sparks and Barbara was a stay-at-home mother to Karen for her first twelve years. She initially reentered the workforce with a part time position in real estate. At

the time of her retirement, she was a commercial property manager with O'Connor, Piper and Flynn in Timonium.

Barbara was a proud mother, but an over-the-moon grandmother. She loved Allie and Kristin dearly and delighted in their interests, activities and many adventures growing up. Soon after becoming grandparents, Barbara and John bought a home in St. Michaels to spend weekends closer to Karen, H.P. and the grandkids in Easton. When John retired, they moved full-time to Easton Club East. Barbara knew how lucky she was to have had the opportunity to see Allie and Kristin grow and enter their adult lives.

When not grandparenting, Barbara was chief editor, publicist and hype person for John's later-in-life writing career, and they traveled extensively. True to form, Barbara made many friends in St. Michaels and Easton. She was a member of the St. Michael's Women's Club, Miles River Yacht Club, Cambridge Yacht Club and enjoyed participating in wine dinners with her ECE neighbors. She served on the board of Talbot Community Connections and volunteered for Talbot Hospice, Waterfowl Festival and Christmas in St. Michaels.

Barbara and John were inseparable in life and Barbara moved forward after his death, enjoying the daily company of residents and staff at Bayleigh Chase between visits with family and friends. She proudly served as resident council president and was the unofficial welcoming committee for new and prospective residents and their families.

Barbara is survived by a daughter, Karen Ketterman, son-in-law, H.P. Ketterman, granddaughter, Allie Hanes and her husband Kyle Hanes, granddaughter, Kristin Ketterman and her partner, Zach Zamorsky, a special niece, Julie Porter, and cousin, Marty Porter (who was more like a sister), cousins Joan Parkinson, Sandy Davis, Gary Davis and his wife Dale, and

Creston Cathcart and his wife Carol. The family is small, but her circle of friends is large. She will be deeply missed.

Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Talbot Hospice, 586 Cynwood Drive, Easton, MD 21601 <https://talbothospice.org/>. The family is immensely grateful for the compassionate care and services provided by Talbot Hospice as well as the staff at Bayleigh Chase.

Tribute Wall

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“ Ted and I enjoyed many good times with Barb & John. We both had kids in Hereford High School and met each other through them. Barb made sure to keep in touch through the years and was always interested in how our lives were unfolding. And loved sharing news about her granddaughters, especially. We've missed John since his passing and draw comfort knowing that they are now reunited. They both so enjoyed a life well lived. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

Mary Ellen Winter - October 29, 2023 at 02:45 PM

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“ Barbara was my oldest friend. My family moved from South Carolina to Maryland when I was 12 where I started attending Garrison Jr. High. I knew no one and was very shy. One day this bouncy friendly red haired girl showed up by my side on the playground and announced that we were going to be friends. That was Barbara! I can't tell you what that meant to me. We lost touch over the years but reunited after too many years of friendship had been lost. But I was always grateful to see her, hear from her and very grateful that she was my friend. Ready in peace my wonderful friend. Denise Sigler

Denise Sigler - October 29, 2023 at 10:44 AM

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“ I have great memories with Barbara and John. Our daughters Karen and Dawn are still great friends. We had trips to NYC where she taught me I could shop at Macy's and ship home. My late husband George and I loved our get togethers. Condolences to all of the family.

Barbara Bell - October 27, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Barbara Gorsuch Reisinger.*



October 27, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ *Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of Barbara Gorsuch Reisinger*



Phil Foster - October 27, 2023 at 03:50 AM



“ *Barbara Gorsuch Reisinger*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM