



## Barbara Drummond Mead

October 28, 1959 - August 23, 2011

Barbara Drummond Mead of Chester died on August 23, 2011, at the Anne Arundel Medical Center. She graduated from Saint Mary's High School in Annapolis in 1977 and graduated from Boston College with a BA in Political Science in 1981.

Barbara spent most of her career in the publishing industry, and was respected by publishers, authors, booksellers, and readers nationwide. She worked for many years as a bookseller and event organizer at independent bookstores including McIntyre's Books in the Chapel Hill, NC, area and at Covered Treasures Bookstore in Monument, CO. Most recently, she served as Owner and President of Reading Group Choices helping reading groups enliven their discussions and assisting publishers in promoting literary fiction and other selected discussible books to the reading group community. Her advice and research has been published online in Ladies Home Journal, Women's World, Shelf Awareness, Publisher's Weekly, and Book Business Magazine. She moderated many reading group panels featuring well-known authors at the Virginia Festival of the Book, the Southern Festival of the Book, the New Jersey Library Association, the Beverly Hills Literary Escape, and many others. She was a member of the American Bookseller Association, the American Library Association, and participated in the Association of Writers and Writing Programs. She served her local community as a Board Member of the Chesapeake Women's Network, on the Auction Committee of the

Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center and as the Foyer Group Chair at Christ Church Parish – Kent Island.

Barbara is survived by her husband Charles F. Mead of Chester; and is the daughter of Dorothy Parker of Easton and Anthony Drummond of Chester; step-daughter of Fred Parker of Easton; step-mother of Heather M. Jack of Ashland, MA, and Christopher C. Mead of Alexandria, VA; and the sister of Christopher Drummond (Cindy) of Queenstown, Susan Vianna of Chester, Colin Drummond (Kathleen) of Maple Glen, PA, and Alison Wilson (Craig) of Charlottesville, VA; step-grandmother of four; and aunt to eight nieces and three nephews.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, August 26, 2011, at Christ Church Parish – Kent Island, 830 Romancoke Road, Stevensville, MD 21666, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 am. Burial will follow in Broad Creek Cemetery, Stevensville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (CBEC), P.O. Box 519, Grasonville, MD 21638; Christ Church Parish – Kent Island, 830 Romancoke Road, Stevensville, MD 21666; the Epilepsy Foundation, 8301 Professional Place, Landover, MD 20785; or to the American Cancer Society, Mid-Atlantic Division, 92 Read's Way, Suite 205, New Castle, DE 19720.

Funeral arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Episcopal Church (Kent Island)  
830 Romancoke Road  
Stevensville, MD

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Drummond Mead*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Barbara Drummond Mead*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Barbara Drummond Mead*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



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September 13, 2011 at 01:29 PM



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September 12, 2011 at 03:53 AM



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September 11, 2011 at 07:10 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers to you, Susan, and the family. I hope that you all will enjoy in and find peace in the happy memories you had with Barbara. How lucky we all were that Barbera touched our lives! Elizabeth##imported-begin##Elizabeth Monaghan##imported-end##

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August 31, 2011 at 04:36 PM



“ So very sorry to hear of Barb's passing. I had the pleasure of working with her at CBEC and she was a dedicated volunteer and a sweet person. We will miss her. I will send CBEC a donation in her memory in lieu of flowers.##imported-begin##Sherrylyn Black (Thomasson)##imported-end##

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August 28, 2011 at 12:27 PM



“ We will cherish the wonderful times we had with Barbara. From surprise birthday parties for Charlie to times by the pool on our DEC award trips! And, don't forget the flood at HER 50th birthday party!##imported-begin##Denise Weaver##imported-end##

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August 26, 2011 at 12:10 AM



“ To the Family: I am truly sorry about your family’s loss, and I want to offer my condolences. Even though death is a part of life, its not always easy for us to handle and we may sometimes find it difficult to endure, but Gods Word the Bible gives us heartwarming comfort during our times of distress, one scripture in particular that gives much needed comfort is found at Revelation 21:3,4 which in part reads: "And God himself will be with them. And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away." Your family will be in my prayers, my sincere condolences.##imported-begin##Rose Cooper##imported-end##

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August 25, 2011 at 11:51 PM



“ Memories...memories...we have so many special moments that Barbara is a part of. She is loved and missed...##imported-begin##John Weaver##imported-end##

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August 25, 2011 at 11:30 PM



“ Chris: Our sympathies to you and your family on the loss of your sister. With faith and your family, you will be comforted as you go through this rough time. May God Bless and Keep You and the Family.##imported-begin##Martha & Royce Herman##imported-end##

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August 25, 2011 at 06:14 PM



“ Chris and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, especially your Mom and Dad. Love, Eileen and Jim##imported-begin##Eileen Gough & Jim Tydings##imported-end##

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August 25, 2011 at 08:29 AM



“ Susan: So sorry for your loss. What a beautiful sister! My thoughts and prayers are with your family.  
Chris: Your loss is felt throughout the community. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Holly Baker##imported-begin##Holly Baker##imported-end##

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August 24, 2011 at 11:18 PM



“ Dear Barbara  
I am so lucky to have had you in my life. We were an unlikely pair. Funny how we always knew how to feed each-others strengths. We have so many great memories, we were friends for ever! I always loved hearing all about your family updates because I knew how much you loved them and how much you respected mine in return. Charlie was a great addition to this beautiful friendship. Thank goodness our men liked each-other! I know you are happy and in a perfect place. That is the only good thing in all of this. You will be so missed but our crying goodbyes will be my happiest memories. I now have one more angel. Thank you.

Lots of Love,

Wendy##imported-begin##Wendy Pyle##imported-end##

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August 24, 2011 at 08:34 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, we worshiped with Bababra at Christ Church, she will be miss May God bless her sole###imported-begin##Jim and Leanna Hynson###imported-end##

August 24, 2011 at 05:16 PM



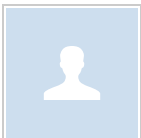
“ Dear Susan and Family,  
PLease know my sorrow for your loss and that you're in my prayers. I hope you are able to find comfort in happy memories.###imported-begin##Eva DiGiovine Stoops###imported-end##

August 24, 2011 at 01:30 PM



“ Barbara was an incredibly warm and beautiful woman who added joy wherever she went. The love that she and Charlie shared was inspirational. I liked her the moment I met her at Wendy's slumber party when we were kids--even then she was a class act! A huge loss for the world, but we were lucky to have her for even this short time.###imported-begin##Cecilia Weller###imported-end##

August 24, 2011 at 10:11 AM



“ Chris and family: Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family in the loss of your sister. May God give you the strength and love to face each new day during this difficult period. Thinking of you at this time. God Bless. Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville.###imported-begin##Lynda Palmatary###imported-end##

August 23, 2011 at 10:53 PM