



Barbara Louise Hayes

July 6, 1951 - February 16, 2024

Barbara Louise Baker Hayes, age 72, passed away February 16, 2024 at 11:33 a.m. at the Community Hospice Bailey Center for Caring in St. Augustine, Florida from Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia.

Barbara was born July 6, 1951 to Norman Henderson Baker and Jane Wilson Baker in Syracuse, NY. She grew up in Lawrence Township, New Jersey and moved to Columbus OH in 1962. She was an outstanding flutist and performed a concerto with the Columbus Symphony Orchestra while in high school. Barbara graduated from The Ohio State University in 1973 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education.

Barbara was a band teacher in the Parma OH schools before moving to Charleston, SC., where she played in the harp/flute duo "A Touch of Class" with her dear friend Margaret Weymann Atkinson.

Barbara relocated to St. Augustine Florida, was involved in selling commercial care products for the home and raised three children. She worked in the home health-care industry and helped found We Care Companions, LLC, with her friend and colleague Robin Van Duzen. She had many meaningful relationships with both clients and caregivers.

A woman of deep faith, Barbara was a member of Good News Church in St.

Augustine. Her friends say that Barbara ministered to them and nurtured those who were invisible to others. She had great empathy for those who were elderly or infirm or struggling with life's challenges. Barbara's church friends in turn became family to her, supporting her "as sisters and brothers in her walk of faith," and providing help during her illness with such things as transportation to the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her sons, Martin Jonathan Hayes and Dr. Joshua Daniel Hayes (Cara) and daughter, Rebecca Deborah Joy Hayes; grandchildren, Michael Joseph, Elijah Daniel and Elisabeth Kay-Louise Hayes; Hunter, Harley, and Haley Hayes; sister Janice Marie Baker Cook (S. Ronald Cook) and brother, Donald William Baker (Jan Sarrett Baker); cousins; treasured friends; and ex-husband, James D. Hayes, Jr., MD.

The family wishes to thank the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, the Community Hospice Bailey Family Center for Caring, and Rebecca Hayes for the loving care she gave her mother during her illness. The family also wishes to thank Barbara's friends and pastors from Good News Church.

A celebration of life will be held at 2pm on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Good News Church, 1357 Wildwood Drive, St. Augustine, 32086 with a reception to follow. Those unable to attend can watch the service live streamed at: <https://www.goodnewsloves.com/ww-live>

Arrangements by St. John's Family Funeral Home

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

MAR 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

Good News Church
1357 Wildwood Drive
St. Augustine, FL

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara Louise Hayes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - February 29, 2024 at 04:12 PM

SM

Absolutely beautiful!

Sharon McMahon - March 02, 2024 at 10:45 AM

HG

Can't stop crying. Tears of joy and remembrance. Barbie touched thousands of lives and none more grateful than mine! I love you, Marty, Josh, and Rebecca, and I will always be here for you. Love and prayers from Auntie H 🥹

Harolyn Gilles - March 03, 2024 at 03:01 AM

CH

“ Barbara,
We miss you so much. You were the best Mimi ever. You were the best mother-in-law. I always knew I could count on you and you were always ready to drop anything to come be with us. I know you have to be so happy in Heaven without having our Lord. Selfishly I wish we could have you back but I know the best place for you is in the arms of Jesus. We miss you so much and we will see you again. Love you. Thank you for living a life exemplifying a true servant's heart. You were a beautiful woman inside and out. Love you, Barbara. Wish you were here.



Cara Hayes - February 16 at 10:05 PM

CH

**I know you have to be so happy in Heaven with our Lord*

Cara Hayes - February 16 at 10:06 PM

JH

“ Miss you mom. I'll always love you and be grateful for you! Looking forward to seeing you again!

Joshua Hayes - February 16 at 09:50 PM

SM

“ Happy Thanksgiving Barbara. Your family and friends still thank the Lord for you and the forever memories.

Sharon McMahon - November 28, 2024 at 02:01 PM

SM

“ *Sharon McMahon lit a candle in memory of
Barbara Louise Hayes*



Sharon McMahon - November 28, 2024 at 01:59 PM

HS

“ Abba,

I thank you for this woman of extraordinary love. The love You placed inside of her was not common. She opened her heart...her home...her arms...and her faith to many ...like a broken alabaster box at your feet, Yeshua. She poured out all of who she was at your feet all of her days. The fragrance of her life was costly, precious and rare. Her love was selfless and a love that knew no partiality. Truly, she loved “the least of these.” Her love was so much like You, Lord.

I praise you, Lord, for all the beauty, the color, the music, the life, and light she brought to so many lives. A woman of generosity, gratitude and hope. A woman of prayer, a woman of your Word, a woman who lived for your smile, Yeshua. Her beauty is one that will never fade, because it surpasses this world and the things in this world.

“Charm can be misleading, and beauty is vain and so quickly fades, but this virtuous woman lives in wonder, awe, and fear of the Lord. She will be praised throughout eternity.”-Proverbs 31:30 (TPT)

I thank you, Abba, that she is still in wonder, awe and fear of You, as she sings and plays the flute before You, face to face. I know she has joined the heavenly balconies, a cloud of many many witnesses and is cheering her family and friends on!

To her family and friends, my deepest and most heartfelt prayers are for you. May He catch every tear, and wash you in His nearness. May He fill each memory with His peace, comfort and love.

It will only be a matter of time until we hug her again.

Heather Silance - April 27, 2024 at 03:07 PM

CA

“ Miss you, Barbara 💕💕



cara - April 23, 2024 at 11:38 PM

JH

“ I miss you mom...



Joshua Hayes - March 08, 2024 at 01:40 PM

CA

“ We miss our Mimi 💕💕



Cara - March 06, 2024 at 10:11 AM

AC

“ *Al Cicchese lit a candle in memory of Barbara Louise Hayes*



Al Cicchese - March 01, 2024 at 05:29 PM

AC

A true lady you will always live in our heart ❤️

Al Cicchese - March 01, 2024 at 05:34 PM

AC

“*Alice Cicchese lit a candle in memory of Barbara Louise Hayes*



Alice Cicchese - March 01, 2024 at 05:26 PM

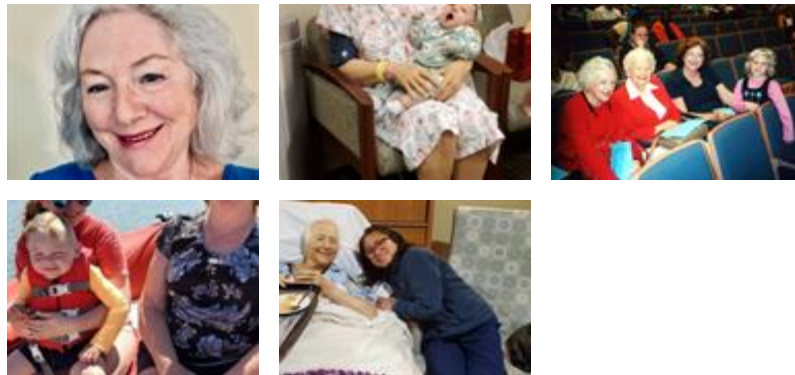
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Until we meet again beautiful Barbara

Alice Cicchese - March 01, 2024 at 05:28 PM



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St. Johns Family Funeral Home - February 29, 2024 at 04:10 PM

CA

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Cara - February 27, 2024 at 11:56 AM

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Cara - February 27, 2024 at 11:42 AM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Cara - February 27, 2024 at 11:33 AM

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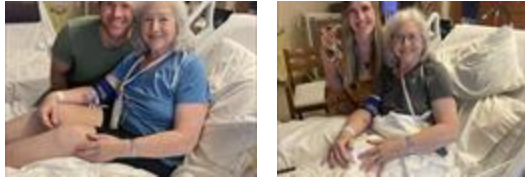
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Cara - February 27, 2024 at 11:27 AM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Cara - February 27, 2024 at 11:10 AM

KL

“ Very saddened to hear of Barbara's passing. Wonderful memories of time spent together when the girls were little. Condolences to Rebecca and her family in their time of sorrow. Kim and Olivia Long



Kim Long - February 24, 2024 at 06:35 PM

CA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cara - February 18, 2024 at 08:07 PM

CA

“ *Miss her so much.*



Cara - February 18, 2024 at 07:10 PM

SM

“ *Sharon McMahan lit a candle in memory of Barbara Louise Hayes*



Sharon McMahan - February 16, 2024 at 09:05 PM

JC

“ *1 file added to the album Photos*



Janice Baker Cook - February 16, 2024 at 02:27 PM