



Barbara Ann Pryor

October 12, 1948 - March 13, 2024

We sadly announce the passing of Barbara Ann Pryor of Alton Illinois on March 13th, 2024 at the age of 75.

Barbara was born to Paul and Marjorie (Casper) O'Donnell on October 12, 1948 in Mt. Vernon, Indiana. After graduating from Mt. Vernon High School in 1966, Barbara earned her degree from Ball State University. After a few years teaching at Alton's Fosterberg Elementary School, Barbara changed careers and spent 30 years as a Respiratory Therapy Technician at Christian Hospital in St. Louis. Barbara had a great love of animals especially her pet dogs and cats. She was an active supporter of the Humane Society especially 5A's Animal Shelter. She found joy participating with friends at the local Bible Study Fellowship and attending The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Godfrey.

Barbara is survived by her daughter Kathleen (Kevin) Bradley of Godfrey; grandchildren Dylan, Davis, and Harper Bradley; niece Laura (Scott) Varner; stepchildren, Vera (Michael) Mueller, Lisa (Tim) Oltman, Darrell (Debbie) Pryor; 6 additional grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren. Moving to new caring homes are her canine and feline companions Misty and Trooper. She was preceded in death by her husband James M. Pryor, her grandson Sgt. Paul James Oltman USMC, her sister Emily Jane Hinkle, her parents, and many loved pets.

Visitation will be held at Gent Funeral Home, Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 9:30 a.m. until time of memorial service at 10:30 a.m. followed by procession

to Valhalla Memorial Park for interment. Memorial donations may be made to 5A's Animal Shelter of Godfrey IL www.fiveas.org. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memorial Park

2308 W. Delmar Ave.
Godfrey, IL 62035

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 23. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home Inc
2409 State Street
Alton, IL 62002
(618) 466-5544
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

Memorial Service

MAR 23. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ So many memories of you and Uncle James. I miss both of you dearly. The world lost a special woman and an incredible spirit for life. Loved going to diners, the plays and simply reminiscing around St. Louis. You stopped the world for me every time I came to visit. Always a special place with me and our family.

Love you,
Nephew - JP Morgan

JP Morgan - March 23, 2024 at 06:55 AM



“ Crystal cox planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara Ann Pryor.

Crystal cox - March 21, 2024 at 10:23 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Pryor.



March 21, 2024 at 10:23 PM

AC

“ Armando and Myriam Cordova purchased the Ful
I Of Love Bouquet for the family of Barbara Ann
Pryor.



Armando and Myriam Cordova - March 21, 2024 at 09:47 PM

PM

“ A Ray of Sunshine are the words to describe my favorite Aunt. She
loved everyone. I can't count the ways she comforted me during my
childhood. With a sad heart, but with much Joy for eternity, Heaven
gained a Huge Blessing. I love you Barb.

Patricia Morgan - March 20, 2024 at 10:13 AM

DC

I worked with Barn in Respiratory for many years. She was always
smiling and laughing with me. We would joke around in our English
accents lol. She was a true sweetheart. She's in heaven now. What a
good heart she had❤️

debbie st cin - March 20, 2024 at 11:41 AM

AN

Barbie one of my dearest friends was a light on this earth not to be
forgotten, forever in my heart.
Loved her and know she is happy in union again with her husband and
all of her past pets.

Ann Neuendank - March 20, 2024 at 01:08 PM

JC

Barb was my best friend! She was the light in my day. We talked daily and did many things together. We worked together in Respiratory Therapy where I met her years ago. She went with us on our vacations ,some holidays and family get togethers. She was a part of our family and she was the sister I never had. I'm so sad without her and miss her everyday. I'm happy that she is happy in heaven with her Husband Jim and now will have eternal life with him.

Jodi Cathorall - March 21, 2024 at 12:35 PM

JC

Barbara Pryor, my friend, my confidante, she will always be in my heart



Jodi Cathorall - March 21, 2024 at 12:41 PM

PG

I met Barb when she joined our therapy dog group with her little sheltie. She loved going to the visits and sharing her love of animals with everyone she met. She was a very kind and generous person. She will be missed by many. Pattie Gibbs

Patricia Gibbs - March 22, 2024 at 09:43 PM