



## Barbara L. Johns

October 5, 1951 - August 20, 2018

Hampton – Barbara Lee Johns, 66, of Hampton, passed away peacefully on Monday, August 20, 2018 at the Hyder Hospice House in Dover surrounded by her loving and devoted family.

Born in Oceanside, NY on October 5, 1951, Barbara was the daughter of the late Allan and Dorothy (Engelbert) Sandmann. She was raised in Stamford, CT and a graduate of Stamford High School with the Class of 1969.

She graduated from New Britain General Hospital School of Nursing in 1975. While in school, she met the love of her life, William C. Johns and they were married upon her graduation from nursing school. The young couple resided in Simsbury, CT before relocating to Chicago and Princeton, NJ, as they followed Bill's career. They returned to Simsbury in 1984 and moved to Hampton in 1987. She had worked as a Registered Nurse for a number of hospitals over the years and retired from the Family Care Center at Exeter Hospital in 2011.

Barbara was a selfless lady, always giving to others and asking for nothing in return. She was a true animal lover, volunteering her time with the NH SPCA and the Seacoast Area Feline Education & Rescue (SAFER) Program. Barb was an avid walker and hiker, and completed the Avon walk in Boston with her daughter Kristin and close Hampton friends. She adored her family and time spent with them were the happiest times of her life. She loved traveling with Bill and together they visited many locations in the United States and all over the world.

Barbara was a fighter in every sense of the word. After being diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma in late 2017, she never gave up or gave in, trying without complaint, in every way she could to overcome her aggressive illness. The Johns family would like to extend their deepest gratitude for the compassionate care she received at Exeter Hospital, Massachusetts General Hospital, and Hyder Hospice House.

In addition to Bill, her beloved husband of over 43 years, Barbara is survived by her daughter, Kristin Johns of Alexandria, VA and her son, Michael Johns and his wife, Lisa, of Virginia Beach, VA., and her beloved cat, Nomar. She also leaves her sisters, Lori Rhodes and her husband Burton, and Lisa Tiger, her in-laws, Tina and Ron Niedbala, Connie and Brad Hebert, and George Johns. She also leaves many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends may visit from 4 to 6:45 PM on Thursday, August 30, 2018 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. A memorial service will be held in the funeral home at 6:45 PM immediately following the visitation. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to SAFER at [www.safercats.com](http://www.safercats.com) or the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at [www.aspca.org](http://www.aspca.org) or to a charity of one's choice.



# Comments

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“ Mrs Johns was a great women and mother. She always made me feel so welcome in her home and treated me like I was part of the family. Every time I saw Mrs Johns she was smiling and excited to hear about my life. Barbara Johns was truly a selfless and caring person who will be missed by all who had the privledge of knowing her.

Mike, Kristin and Bill I'm so sorry for your loss

**Dean** - August 30, 2018 at 04:43 PM



“ Thank you, Dean! I know she thought a lot of you.

**Kristin** - January 17, 2019 at 11:56 PM

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“ Bill, Kristin and Mike, You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May Barbara's love and beautiful memories fill your hearts forever. I am so blessed to have had Barbara in my life. Our childhood memories will never be forgotten. Barbara's friendship over recent years has inspired me to be the best person I can. Forever I will be grateful. I will always miss and love my dear friend...Our deepest condolences.

**Linda and Al** - August 30, 2018 at 12:37 PM

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“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Barbara L. Johns.



August 29, 2018 at 08:50 PM

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“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Barbara L. Johns.



August 29, 2018 at 08:44 PM

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“ Mrs. Johns was a wonderful mother to Kristin and Michael. She established rules of "no shoes in the house," and taught both of them to be kind. She kept Kristin in line and always shot a glance, when she was out of line. She will be forever missed and remembered, as a great wedding dancer, lover of animals, and a fixture of Stowecroft.

SJD - August 29, 2018 at 06:27 PM



“ Ha! Love you, Donnie. #shoesoff #healthysnacks

Kristin - January 17, 2019 at 11:55 PM

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“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Barbara L. Johns.



August 29, 2018 at 06:16 PM

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“ 91 files added to the album LifeTributes



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - August 29, 2018 at 07:40 AM

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“ Bill, Kristen and Michael I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Barb... she was a wonderful friend. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Sue Hedman and family

**Sue Hedman** - August 28, 2018 at 07:13 PM



“ Thank you

**Kristin** - January 17, 2019 at 11:57 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working for many years with Barb at Exeter Hospital. She was a great nurse and friend. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. My sincere sympathy to her family. RIP Barb. Robin Sirois

**Robin Sirois R N** - August 28, 2018 at 04:36 PM



“ Love, Tina & Ron, Connie & Brad, and George purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Barbara L. Johns.



**Love, Tina & Ron, Connie & Brad, and George** - August 28, 2018 at 12:21 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working alongside Barb at Synergy. She always had a kind word for members, and went out of her way to greet each one with a smile. She also had a finely-honed sense of humor; often she surprised us with a wry comment. She will be sorely missed!

Karen Weinhold

**karen weinhold** - August 25, 2018 at 12:32 PM

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“ Barb was my mentor at the NHSPCA when I began to work there with the cats. She was so passionate about the cats and helping all of them. She was very gentle and able to soothe the cats who were very shy and frightened. I admired how hard she worked at the SPCA and the way she made an effort to connect with each kitty as an individual.

I ended up fostering a small, black cat named Stacy, who was very shy and who had been at the shelter for 6 months. It was Barb's dedication that inspired me to do it. It took several months for Stacy to even allow us to touch her and she had a tough time settling into our home in general because she was so scared. I might have given up on her if it hadn't been for Barb's encouragement and prodding to complete the formal adoption after a few months. After a year to a year and a half, Stacy became a member of our household and retired in style, knowing love. This is one of my greatest accomplishments and it means so much to me, and I have Barb to thank for the experience.

I believe that Barb's example of devotion and hard work will continue to inspire me in the years to come. She was a very special person and I'm grateful to have known her.

**Mary Bloser** - August 24, 2018 at 05:32 PM

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“ I worked with Barbara for years at Exeter Hospital. She was wise and kind and I am heartbroken to hear of her passing. My deepest sympathy to her entire family.  
Florence Hanowski

**Florence Hanowski** - August 24, 2018 at 05:29 PM

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“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Barbara L. Johns.



August 24, 2018 at 11:08 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Barbara was one of the sweetest, kindest people I have ever met. I am honored to have known her. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Melody Holding

Melody Holding - August 24, 2018 at 08:44 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Barb was a beautiful soul. .... Gary

Gary Piotrowski - August 24, 2018 at 08:28 AM

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“ Barbara was an exceptional friend. She always had time to listen, and gave honest, objective opinions that were laden with wisdom. Our walks and talks made me a better person.

Candy - August 22, 2018 at 01:12 PM

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“ Delores lit a candle in memory of Barbara L. Johns



Delores - August 20, 2018 at 09:27 PM



“ I will always remember Barbara's warm smile and spirit; and the solid judgment she always seemed to have. You will be very missed Barbara.

Jen - August 22, 2018 at 11:19 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara L. Johns.



August 20, 2018 at 09:18 PM

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“ Mrs John’s was one of the best... she was always giving, smiling and I know she always got those silly jokes... I know she did! Rest easy Mrs J and thanks for the gifts of KJ and MJ.

**RWL** - August 20, 2018 at 08:38 PM



“ Thanks, Ry! She loved you, too.

**Kristin** - January 17, 2019 at 11:58 PM