



Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury

March 1, 1947 - March 14, 2016

Brentwood, NH- Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury, 69, of Brentwood, formerly of Waterbury VT, died peacefully at her home on March 14, 2016 surrounded by her loving family.

She was born March 1, 1947 in Burlington, VT, the daughter of the late Richard and Agnes (Metayer) Orfield.

Barb grew up in Waterbury, VT graduating from Waterbury High School in 1965. Following graduation, Barbara married her high school sweetheart and husband of 50 years Larry Kingsbury. The young couple lived briefly in Columbus, OH while Larry was in the service. Then in 1969 they moved back to Waterbury for a number of years, before moving to Brentwood to be close to their daughter and grandson, where they made their home since 2010.

Mrs. Kingsbury first worked as a copywriter for Radio Vermont WDEV and later the Charles E Merrill Publishing Company in Ohio. Returning to Vermont, she then worked for the Vermont Tax Department, but most recently worked as a devoted Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Commissioner at the Vermont Department for Children and Families, retiring in 2009.

She was an active longtime member of the Wesley United Methodist Church in Waterbury. Barb was passionate about cooking and was an amazing crafter, sewer, and painter. Music was an important part of her life. She sang

in the church choir, played the piano and enjoyed listening to classical music.

Family was the most important thing to her, always putting their needs before her own. Raising her daughter Elisa Beth with her husband Larry was her proudest accomplishment. Her grandson Richard brought her the greatest joy. Barb enjoyed spending time with friends and was thankful for the many visits, cards, and gifts sent that made her feel loved and appreciated. Everyone enjoyed her quick wit and contagious laugh. She will be remembered for her generosity to all and her ability to make everyone she met feel special. She had a positive outlook on life, often finding the beauty in every situation. Those close to her know she endured hardships with grace and dignity. Barb loved her cats Simon and Yoda. These two beloved animals provided her with companionship and joy.

She is survived by her husband Larry Kingsbury of Brentwood; daughter Elisa Beth Kingsbury and Significant other Randy Martin of Epping; grandson Richard Croteau of Epping; step granddaughters, Rebekah and Savannah Martin both of Indianapolis, IN; brother Donald Orfield of Bushkill, PA; sister-in-law Mary Lou Orfield-Coleman of Green, NJ; beloved Aunt Pearl of Hyde Park, VT; several nieces, nephews, cousins and many dear friends including Georgeanne Baker of Waterbury, VT and John Foley of Dover.

Visiting hours will be from 12 to 2 PM on Saturday, April 2, 2016 in the Remick and Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. A memorial service will immediately follow at 2 PM in the funeral home. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to Rockingham VNA & Hospice, c/o Community Relations: Attention Vivian Brown, Exeter Hospital, 5 Alumni Drive, Exeter, NH 03833 or Camp Ta-Kum-Ta, PO Box 459, South Hero, VT 05486.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *My thoughts go to Barb's family today - Elisa, Richard, and Larry. I could tell how much she loved you when we shared stories as co-workers and friends. While Barb could be a barrel of laughs and lighten a stressful day, she was also very thoughtful towards others. I still treasure the guest book from my retirement party that she assembled, with pictures, captions, and a special poem that she wrote. And who could forget the "wedding" she arranged for Bendy and Bendy May at work. I remember her fondly and know that she'll be missed by many.*

Martha Laing - April 02, 2016 at 01:47 PM



“ *Aimee lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury*



Aimee - April 02, 2016 at 10:25 AM



Elisa I am truly sorry for your loss. Barb was fun and vibrant and will be sadly missed.

Aimee Hodgson - April 02, 2016 at 10:29 AM

SC

“ Sorry we cannot be there in person to give you a big hug. We wish all your family healing memories of a special lady. Steve & Joanna

Steve & Joanna Caswell - March 30, 2016 at 01:19 PM

AM

“ Larry, I am so sorry to hear of Barb's passing. Although I haven't seen you guys for awhile, I have many wonderful memories of time spent with you both that I cherish. Watch out St Peter, there is a new angel in heaven and she knows how to have a good time. Ann Metayer

Ann Metayer - March 25, 2016 at 08:49 PM

LS

“ Larry, I'm so sorry to hear about Barb. Remember all the good times at WHS. She was a wonderful person.

Linda Sherman - March 25, 2016 at 07:27 PM

Sharon
Talbert

“ Where do we begin in honoring and remembering our dear friend Barb? To say it has been a pure 'joy' to know and her would be an understatement. There are certain people who come into your lives that bring a 'light' and spark to make life so much more pleasant. We have a 50 yr history with her & Larry and then Elisa!!! To describe our experiences and bond would be difficult. Suffice to say, our hearts are sad, our tears have been shed but that would be for us and all who remain that loved her! We know she has ended the earthly struggle, and is now at peace, and that brings us comfort! Larry, Elisa, Richard, et al of the family & friends who will miss her. She will always be part of your lives! With much love & sympathy! Ken & Sharon Talbert



Sharon Talbert - March 23, 2016 at 10:28 AM

AF

“ Sympathy & prayers to her family, relatives, friends & coworkers; hug to my classmate Elisa!! Elisa parents went into cvmc for 2 calendars one particular year; I said I would bring them knowing their house; one street was still blocked off because of winter & attempted but couldn't remember which house; I their was a time I took the calendars out of the vehicle & caught them at the traffic light. What if they aren't home & you brought them to the wrong house? I wished I was capable of handing them their calendars!!! I do apologize for not being capable of putting them in your hands!!!



aunt finucane - March 23, 2016 at 08:58 AM



“ Larry and Elisa,

I'm so sorry for your loss. I loved Barb very much and hope she is finally in a place where she is without pain and can enjoy every aspect of what lies ahead. She was one of the most caring and wonderful women I will ever know and I hope you know my thoughts and prayers are with you now and during these days which will grow quiet and life return back to normal.

*Love,
Buffy*

Buffy Nelson - March 23, 2016 at 07:22 AM



“ Larry, I am so sorry to hear of Barb's passing. I regret not keeping in touch since she moved away. She was just a sweet, sweet person. She will be missed. My prayers are with you and your family.

Pam Perry

Pamela Perry - March 18, 2016 at 07:38 PM



“ Larry & Elisa: We are so very sorry to hear of Barb's passing. What a wonderfully upbeat person who loved life to the fullest. I had the good fortune to work with Barb at WDEV back in the 70's, and years later my wife and I both worked with Barb as state employees. She made everyone's day brighter when she was in the room. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Doug Clifton Jr & Heidi Libercent

Doug Clifton Jr - March 17, 2016 at 09:02 AM

LL

“ *Larry and Family,
So sorry to hear of Barb's passing. I send you many prayers of
healing. Watch for the rainbows.....
Laurie Lamorey*

Laurie Lamorey - March 17, 2016 at 08:52 AM

LS

“ *Larry, I'm so sorry for your loss. Barb was a wodeiful person.
Remember all the happy and fun times at WHS.
My thoughts and prayers are with you
Linda Sherman*

Linda Sherman - March 17, 2016 at 08:02 AM

BB

“ *Bbaaddangel lit a candle in memory of
Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury*



bbaaddangel - March 17, 2016 at 06:35 AM



“ *Barb was one of the first people that I really loved when I began
working in State government. She was smiling, warm and caring
and to top it off she was smart and courageous. She gave full
attention to the individual people she spoke with and this makes
those interactions special. I always felt like what I said mattered to
her and I missed her a lot when she retired. My prayers are with
you.*

Laura Callahan - March 17, 2016 at 06:34 AM

RF

“ I loved singing in the Methodist church choir with her. And she was there for me when my Dad died in 1974. She was a beautiful person. So sad for you Larry.

Love,
Rose Barnes Farkas

Rose Barnes Farkas - March 16, 2016 at 10:40 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury.



March 16, 2016 at 10:16 PM

LM

“ Larry & Elisa we want to tell you how sorry we are for your lose. I worked with Barb for many years and loved her as she was a fantastic person and friend. We had so many good times at work but my special memory is the day she found out she was pregnant. She was so shocked but so happy and when I went with her for the test she had the biggest smile on her face when she came out I will never forget it. Please know that she was a beautiful person who would do anything for anyone. You and her will be in our prayers.



Mike & Linda McGrath

Linda McGrath - March 16, 2016 at 09:29 PM

LF

“ *Lena Fishman lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury*



Lena Fishman - March 16, 2016 at 07:50 PM

RM

“ *Barb was a wonderful person, always kept me laughing whenever I saw her. We graduated together and went to the same graduation party (remember Larry?). I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Heaven is getting a real genuine person!*
Rachel (Stanley) Munn

Rachel Munn - March 16, 2016 at 07:19 PM

BW

“ *Barb was a wonderful lady, always smiling and happy. Didn't matter what happened she keep on going. I will always remember her. Sorry for her family's loss*

Bev Wells - March 16, 2016 at 05:47 PM


Darlene Clinton

“ *Darlene Clinton sent a virtual gift in memory of Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury*



Darlene Clinton - March 16, 2016 at 04:31 PM



Darlene Clinton

I never got to meet my cousin,,but what i heard of her she was wonderful person,,,Prays to the family <3

Darlene Clinton - March 16, 2016 at 04:33 PM

MA

“ *Marie lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jeanne Kingsbury*



Marie - March 16, 2016 at 02:13 PM

SR

“ *Barbra was my babysitter when I was a child. She was a loving and compassionate woman, who was always interested in catching up when I would run into her as an adult. Her smile was infectious. I am sorry to hear of her passing, and my thoughts are with her family at this difficult time.*

Sheila Russell - March 16, 2016 at 02:03 PM

CB

“ *A beautiful woman and friend. She always took time to listen and truly cared deeply for others. Heaven is blessed to have received her.*

Carol & Bob Butts - March 16, 2016 at 11:38 AM