



## Barbara A. McDonnell

March 20, 1934 - December 15, 2015

Stratham – Barbara Ann McDonnell, 81, of North Miami Beach, FL, formerly of Stratham, died Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at the Aventura Hospital in Florida.

She was born in Lynn, MA on March 20, 1934, the daughter of the late Walter and Ardina Jackson.

She was a devoted wife for 54 years to her beloved husband, the late Francis "Skip" McDonnell. They are together again.

We lost the true matriarch of our family this week. Barbara spent most of her final years and days taking care of her family. She would want to be remembered as having bridged the gap for so many of the family; both near and far. While family was her true priority in life, her biggest passion in her later years was Tom Brady and the New England Patriots, something she shared with all of us on game day. No Sunday will be the same without her. She was an extraordinarily strong and brave human being who touched all of our lives and is finally free.

Family members include her son, Michael McDonnell and his wife Katherine of Stratham; her seven grandchildren, Brandon, Crystal, Tara, Cheyenne, Hannah, Emily and John Ryan and her four great grandchildren, Trent, Allison, Leila and Dakota. She is also survived by her loving sister-in-law, Carmel O'Brien and her children Kerry Olofson and Neil O'Brien. She will be remembered by countless other nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

In addition to her parents and her beloved husband, Barbara was predeceased by her daughter, Barbara Jean Lanum.

Relatives and friends may call from 5 to 7 PM on Sunday, December 20, 2015 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10 AM on Monday at St. Michael Church, 9 Lincoln

St., Exeter. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society, 2 Commerce Dr., Suite 110, Bedford, NH 03110 or to the New Hampshire Association for the Blind, 25 Walker St., Concord, NH 03301-9977.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
info@remickgendron.com  
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

## Funeral Mass

DEC **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Michael Church  
9 Lincoln Street  
Exeter, NH 03833

# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara A. McDonnell*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM

TF

“ *We have great memories at Carmel's house enjoying the Patriot's play! Barbara always lite up the room! We will always savor our wonderful memories! Our heartfelt condolences to all her family and friends. Love Rico, Janice, & Ashleigh*



**The Syphers Family** - December 20, 2015 at 11:06 AM

AF

“ *Arthur McCarthy and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.*



**Arthur McCarthy and Family** - December 19, 2015 at 06:02 PM

TF

“ *The Plotsker Family purchased the Cup of Roses Bouquet for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.*



**The Plotsker Family** - December 19, 2015 at 04:43 PM

RA

“ *To the Family of Barbara,*

*Barbara was a dear friend, and a sister I never had. I can't begin to enumerate the help and support she provided during my high school and college years from providing a car for my senior prom to financial support that was most desperately needed. However, most importantly was her friendship and love.*

*Rich*

**Richard Ayer** - December 18, 2015 at 04:03 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.



December 18, 2015 at 02:50 PM

EI

“ *Employees of the Seabrook Inns, Inc* purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.



**Employees of the Seabrook Inns, Inc** - December 18, 2015 at 11:55 AM

SD

“ *Susan Doucette and Charlie Day* purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.



**Susan Doucette and Charlie Day** - December 18, 2015 at 11:11 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.



December 18, 2015 at 10:30 AM



“ *Love's Journey* was purchased for the family of Barbara A. McDonnell.



December 18, 2015 at 09:34 AM

DM

“ My Aunt Barb and Godmother. Remember long ago visits in Lynnfield and especially remember the trust they had for Bill and I to babysit for Mike and BJ when we were sixteen and Barb & Skip allowed us to watch TV on the king size bed! I will always remember the beautiful french lace dress I was given by Aunt Barb for my Junior Prom and how special it made me feel. Also, around sixteen I took my first trip to FL with my mother in her VW bug to visit Barb at the Hemispheres. It was so very grand to me. It was a wonderful vacation. There are many more wonderful memories that I will always keep close to heart.

*You will be missed Aunt Barb.*

*Donna & Bill*

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**donna macdonald** - December 18, 2015 at 08:24 AM

CG

*Barbara was a wonderful and kind person to Kip. I will always keep her in my heart. Tara, Chey, Leila and, yes, Josh will miss her very much. She always watched over them and now the family is complete in Heaven. My heart goes out to all who knew her much better than me. Our family, myself, Donald and my Mother (Dorothy Ross) send our thoughts and prayers to you all. Sadly, I mailed a Christmas card and photos to her on 12/14. She is happy now.*

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**Claire Gervais** - December 21, 2015 at 09:53 AM

BC

*Barbara was a kind and loving person. She will be missed by all who knew her. She and Skip are together again....sure they are happy now.*

*Bonnie Carlton*

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**Bonnie Carlton** - January 08, 2016 at 09:40 AM