



Barbara A. Cross

July 27, 1944 - December 17, 2016

LAUREL- Barbara A. Cross, 72, of Laurel, died Saturday, December 17, 2016 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury surrounded with love by her family.

She was born July 27, 1944 in Jamesburg, New Jersey, a daughter of the late James and Dolores (Tufts) Novak.

A 12 year cancer survivor, Barbara was a full time homemaker, a job she took very seriously. If you asked her, she'd have told you she was a "Household Executive"; after all, raising 5 children and several animals, such as horses, cows, rabbits, pigs, and peacocks can be a never ending job. However, she loved being a proud wife, mother and grandmother, and especially enjoyed the holidays and family dinners. In 2001, she became a member of St.

Stephen's United Methodist Church in Delmar, where she eagerly served with the prayer shawl ministry, Relay for Life, Decorating Delmarva at

Christmastime and taught Sunday school for many years. She loved life and being able to help others in any way she could. She volunteered at Dunbar Elementary School in Laurel by becoming a foster grandparent, was a member of the Laurel Exchange Club and headed the Miss/Little Miss Laurel pageant from 2003 to 2013.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Ronnie Cross, Sr.; children, Dawn Tomeski and husband, John of Bridgeville, Ronnie Cross, Jr. of Georgetown, Bobby Cross of Georgetown, Jody Jenkins of Quantico, and Jolene Cross of Laurel; grandchildren, John II, Katie, Bradley, Ronnie III,

Allyson, Peyton, Matthew, Cody, Fisher, and Charli Rose; a great grandson, Bryson; sisters, Jane Hansen and Dorrie Hoagland and brothers, James and Keith Novak all of New Jersey. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Warren Novak.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church in Delmar. The Reverend Phyllis Walton will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to St. Stephen's United Methodist Church, 101 E. State Street, Delmar, DE 19940.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Stephen's Methodist Church
101 E. State Street
Delmar, DE

Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Missing you so much, Mom.*



Jolene Cross - January 10, 2017 at 08:59 PM

TU

“ *The memories I have growing up around you and your family will always be treasured. Heaven gained an angel when he took you home.*



Love Always Terry. XOXO

Terry Uveges - December 27, 2016 at 09:12 AM

Here is an old fashioned heart that holds timeless love. She's a three page love letter in a world of relationship status updates.
JmStorm

“ *What a beautiful tribute to her amazing life! Aunt Barbara always had a special way of letting you know how much she loved and cared for you. The world will be less bright without her in it. R.I.P. XOXO*

Denise Cross - December 23, 2016 at 08:24 AM

MM

“ *Margaret & Scott Mechler send our deepest prayers and love to the entire family. Always keep your memories close to your heart and she will never leave you. We will miss her dearly, but remember her often.*



Margaret Mechler - December 23, 2016 at 01:59 AM

MJ

“ *We will miss you so much Me Mee! ❤️*
Love Matthew & Kaycie



Matthew Jenkins Jr - December 23, 2016 at 12:11 AM

BR

“ *Brent lit a candle in memory of Barbara A. Cross*



Brent - December 22, 2016 at 04:53 PM

DM

“ *Donald & Mark lit a candle in memory of Barbara A. Cross*



Donald & Mark - December 22, 2016 at 03:20 PM

DN

“ *To the whole family
We will all miss her
She was a good mom
A great meme
A good sister
And loving daughter
Words cannot take away the grief
But memories of all the good times
Make it a little easier
She gained her wings on earth
Now she gained her wings in heaven
Think of her not gone
But think of her watching over her family
As she always did
Love ❤️ you Big Sister
Until we meet again
Give everyone of our family members up in
Heaven a big kiss and hugs from us
Here still on earth
Love ❤️ your littlest sister
Dorrie Novak
And husband Howard Hoagland*

Dorrie Novak - December 22, 2016 at 01:26 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of
Barbara A. Cross.*



December 22, 2016 at 12:32 PM

JC

“ Oh, Mom. We all miss you so much. I know that you know how much We all love you and thank you for everything.



Jolene Cross - December 22, 2016 at 10:21 AM

JJ

“ I love you Mom xo

Jody Jenkins - December 21, 2016 at 08:52 PM