

Barbara Sue "Barb" (Shelley) Kerney



Evansville, Ind. - Barbara Sue "Barb" (Shelley) Kerney, 82, of Evansville, Indiana, passed away on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at Deaconess Gateway Hospital.

Barb was born in Owensboro, Kentucky on November 6, 1938 to the late William R. and Mae Frances (Sakra) Shelley. She graduated from Owensboro High School and attended Brescia University. Barb taught at Christ the King School, and later worked at Hardy Brake and Electric Co., Evansville Truck Center (Palmer Trucks) and at Salem United Methodist Church as the church secretary. She was a lifetime member of the McCutchanville Fire Department, earning her Certificate of Achievement - Lifetime Member Recognition of 35 Years of Dedicated Service to the Citizens of Center Township and as a Member of the McCutchanville Fire

Department. Barb was a member and multiple year president and chairman of the board of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighter Organization Auxiliary and IVFA District #15 secretary and treasurer for 25 years. Barb also was the office administrator for the IVFA. She was a great cook, loving to try recipes from different recipe books she had read. Barb enjoyed shopping and traveling with friends but her greatest joy came from spending time with her family. She will be dearly missed.

Barb is survived by her husband of 41 years, Jack Kerney of Evansville, IN; her children, Robert Quirey (Becky) of Indianapolis, IN, Karen Berning of Evansville, IN, Susan Wargel of Evansville, IN, Jack Kerney, Jr. (Tiffany) of Evansville, IN and David Kerney (Jamie) of Evansville, IN; sister, Marian Shelley Bartley (Gary) of Owensboro, KY; brother, Melvin L. Shelley (Susie) of Elizabethtown, KY; grandchildren, Lilly Quirey, Stephanie Conger, Craig Tabor (Jen), Nikki Koring (Jonathan), Chris Payne, Steven Payne (Kelsey), Kala Perry (Justin), Kristin Ray (Trevor), Keela and Sean Kerney; and eleven great grandchildren.

Barb was preceded in death by her parents.

A celebration of Barb's life will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, March 27, 2021 at Salem United Methodist Church, 6311 Kratzville Rd., Evansville, IN 47711 with Rev. Bessie Adams officiating. Burial will follow at McCutchanville Cemetery.

Friends may visit from 2:00 pm until 8:00 pm on Friday, March 26, 2021 at Salem United Methodist Church where a memorial service will be held at 7:00 pm by the IVFA Firefighters.

Friends may also visit from 10:00 am until service time on Saturday at the church.