

Barbara A. Peterson, age 80, of McFarland, Wis., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020 at UW hospital. She was born on July 2, 1940 in Stoughton, Wis., to Wilmer and Sadie (Lewton) Janes.

Barbara is a 1958 graduate of Stoughton High School. While in high school, she worked at the local root beer stand and eventually met Donald Peterson there, who became her husband on Oct. 1, 1960. Barbara also worked at General Telephone as a switchboard operator and at the Dept. of Revenue in Madison. At work, she met many people who became great friends.

Barbara enjoyed tending to her flower garden, cross stitching, traveling throughout the U.S. and Europe, and going to dances at Edwards Park in McFarland with her husband. Later in their marriage, they enjoyed playing cards, cruising in their convertible, seeing music concerts, and taking vacations with family.

Barbara is survived by her husband, Donald; and children, Theresa Mueller, Michael (Debra), David (Cheryl) Peterson, and Debra (Marc) Gabriel; as well as grandchildren, Steven Peterson, McKenna Mueller, Haylee Peterson, Nicholas and Lukas Gabriel. She is also survived by her sister, Sandra (Dick) BonDurant and many loved nieces, nephews, cousins, and sisters-in-law.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be gifted in Barbara's name to First Lutheran Church in Stoughton, Wis.

The family would like to thank the staff at Belmont Nursing Home for taking good care of Barbara for the last five years and the staff at UW hospital in her final days.

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In Loving
M E M O R Y

Barbara A. Peterson

July 2, 1940 ~ October 18, 2020



Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done
I'd like to leave an echo whispering
softly down the ways
Of happy times and laughing times
and bright and sunny days
I'd like the tears of those who grieve,
to dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave,
when life is done.*

In Loving Memory

Barbara A. Peterson

Date of Birth

July 2, 1940
Stoughton, Wisconsin

Date of Death

October 18, 2020
Madison, Wisconsin

Funeral Service

Saturday, October 24, 2020, 1:30 PM
Cress Funeral Home
McFarland, Wisconsin

Officiating

Reverend Richard Halom

Bearers

Debra Gabriel, Mike Peterson,
Dave Peterson, Terry Mueller

Final Resting Place

Roselawn Memorial Park
Monona, Wisconsin